



The Propwash

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Next Meeting

Tuesday
Dec 5th
2017

7:00 PM IHOP
14424 San Pedro Ave

Google Coordinates:
29.57312, -98.47847

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ON NORTH BOUND
ACCESS RD OF 281
Between Bitters and
Oak Shadow/Winding Way

If you're going South on 281,
Exit Bitters and Take the
Turnaround

If you're going North on 281,
Exit Bitters and Stay
In Right Lane
About ¼ mile past Bitters

South Mayd

Texoma Winder

Wonderland 2017

South Mayd⁽³⁴⁰⁾

Dec 16th

David Turner: 903-821-4329

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Visit: texomarc.org

Events: 760-761

RCCA SSC 4+ rounds

Scale 4+ rounds

As wind & weather permit

AMA and Hard Hat Req

\$25 for 1 Event

\$5 Each Addl Event

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Date: 11/7/2017, 7:06PM

The meeting of the Prop Busters was called to order by **Charles Strang** at IHOP, 14424 San Pedro Ave, just north of Bitters on 281.

Visitors: No Strangers.

The October meeting minutes were approved.

President: Charles welcomed all.

VP/Safety Officer: **Bob** reminded all to stay hydrated and watch out for **snakes and ants**. We have **Sevin dust** at the field for ant combat.

Secretary: **Terry** no comment.

Treasurer: **Jim** reported the various expenses, income, and account balances. If you need details contact Jim. The **proposed budget** for next year was reviewed. The events budget for **food** was increased and discussed briefly. The take away was to make sure we have plenty of food to serve **all** event attendees: "if we have it, we should cook it". Also, Charles will be ordering more **material for name tags**, which will likely hold us over for several years.

Newsletter: Standing order for the newsletter is that free ads and articles of interest for the newsletter need to be submitted by members to **John Gardner** by the 17th.

Web Editor: **Robert Jarzombek** has updated the website to

include posting pictures and our upcoming events.

Membership: **Rick Storm** reported **no new** members.

Early Bird Raffle: **Jack Stensgraad** won the fuel.

Old Business:
Build'n Fly: **George Wilson and CD Bob Severance** described the event attended by 23 pilots along with several spectators. There were more than 50 planes of all different size at the field. One in particular was the favorite, a "Super Stearman" with a 10 ft wing span powered by a gas DLE 170.

The next Build'n Fly has been proposed for October 20, 2018 for AMA sanction.

The plans for **next year** will include some **improvements:** most related to the pilots meeting. Many pilots arrived throughout the morning, so in the future the "**Pilots Meeting**" will be **in writing**, to be passed out during registration. It will include information and flight guidelines, use of a spotter, define the flight line, explain the raffle ticket distribution associated with flying, and other information as needed. Also, a different type/color of ticket will be used for pilot lunch, and the raffle will be held later in the day to prolong pilot participation. After discussion, a budget of **\$350 was approved** for this event next year.

Air Show at Kelly: **Rick Storm** reported that he was informed of Prop Busters' inclusion for a static display about a week before the event and scrambled to get it together. He lined up participants and interfaced with military to work out logistics. Models from **Rick, Lee Moore, Jack Stensgraad, Bob Severance, Terry Ullman, Dean Lukover, and Ron Wall (of TCF)** were set out in a hanger for static display. Rick also set up a **Real Fight Simulator**. Although we were located near show center, our assigned hanger was oriented such that you could not see the flight line, so we didn't get as much traffic as we had hoped for. Nevertheless, we generated interest and some visitors took a shot at flying on the simulator. The **reset button** was their friend.

New Business:
Officer Nominations Are Open
Cub Scouts: **Terry Ullman** requested permission to invite a group of Cub Scouts to the field for some buddy box time on a trainer. It was recommended that Saturday morning would be best. It was approved, but no date was set, and the date of the visit will be coordinated with the club.

Model of the Month: None

"Crash Chronicles"
Bob Severance was flying his Sig **Cougar ST-51** near the end of the runway when the response was strange during his bank turn but he was able to bring it around

and did a touch and go, but then the plane rolled inverted and turned to the ground. He suspects the **“Orange” receiver failed**. So, he put his Tiger 60 in the air and was really enjoying a great flight and upon landing, the plane **ran out fuel**, dropping about 6 ft, with minor damage.

Terry Ullman told of momentarily losing his mind while flying his **25% Yak-54**. It was up at good altitude, but the next moment it was upside down heading for the ground. He pulled instead of pushing. The motor, some hardware, and electronics survived, but the plane is history.

Jim Branaum was flying his **30cc Extra** testing his prop choice at San Angelo. After flying various maneuvers, it was time to land. After setting up to land he backed off the throttle but the engine tried to die. He powered up, went around, tried again but this time the engine stopped and plane stalled into the ground. It was **out of fuel**.

Dave Gell came down from Washington to visit and attend the Build’n Fly. He flew his **PT 40** and demonstrated some **exciting take offs**.

Kevin Pellone was having some control problems flying in unfamiliar wind, but he was able to pull up to avoid a tree. The plane **stalled**, but landed safely under the tree.

There was a question of **failsafe settings** and **Rick** reminded all to set the sticks where you want, **THEN BIND**.

The Raffle:

Bob Severance-NiMH battery

Don Gray-CA

Kevin & Dawn Pellone-Epoxy, fuel, wheel collars

Charles Strang- Battery alarm, CA, kicker

Jim Branaum- MonoKote

Jack Stensgraad-Tubing

Adjourned 8:12 PM

Submitted by Secretary: Terry Ullman



Membership Notes

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Need a membership list?

e-mail me and I'll send you a fresh one.

NEED AN INSTRUCTOR?

Call Me,

Another year is almost gone and the weather is getting a bit unpredictable. We have one new member whose information was incomplete at the meeting but who has since provided the missing pieces. His name is Dudley R Kirkpatrick and he lives in Lytle. That actually puts him closer to Somerset field than I am. Hopefully we will all be able to meet him soon. His info has been added to the Membership Roster you will find attached to this newsletter.

The following members have birthdays in December. When you see them, congratulate them for being one year wiser.

Day of Birth Member Name

4	Anthony T. Galindo
9	Sidney E. Hipp
19	Steve A. Kossl
23	Kevin Pellone
29	Ronald M. Dietes

See you at the field.

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Tuesday, December 5th 2017
7:00 PM at IHOP on San Pedro
See Map at Left

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