



Eagle Eye News

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**The Meeting is April 13th ,The Second Tuesday at:
Mel's Lone Star Lanes
1010 North Austin Ave
Georgetown, TX**

GAMA Electric Fun Fly

GAMA is holding an Electric Fun Fly on Saturday April 17 Any type of Electrically powered aircraft is welcome. The entry fee is \$5.00. Come on out and have some quiet fun.

Please contact:

Richard Looby drlooby@suddenlink.net 512-863-4339

Bob Petrinec rpetrinec@austin.rr.com 512-260-3887

GAMA Flight Instruction

GAMA Members once again is offering flight instruction to new members who do not know how to fly RC Aircraft or members who need a little refresher. The club has a trainer aircraft and buddy box for use in flight instruction. Contact the instructors listed below to arrange a time to meet at the field for flight instruction.

Please contact:

Terry McMahan tmcmahe@gmail.com 512-863-4339

Bob Petrinec rpetrinec@austin.rr.com 512-260-3887

Pattern Flying

Pattern practice will be held on the Second Saturday of the month. Show up at the field or contact Terry if you are interested. Come on out and see what is going on.

Please contact:

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Club 40 Racing

GAMA is planning on holding two Club 40 Pylon Races this year. Please come out and help or get involved in racing.

Please contact:

Bob Petrinec rpetrinec@austin.rr.com 512-260-3887

Field Maintenance

The Field Chairman will hold field maintenance on the last Saturday of the month. Come on out to the field and help. Remember you get extra year end auction points for helping.

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Special points of interest:

- Please make sure your address information is correct with the Membership Chairman: George Gilliam at 512-310-0533 or Email: georgegilliam@sbcglobal.net
- Send the Editor an E Mail if you are reading this on-line and did NOT receive an E Mail telling you the newsletter has been uploaded to the Web Site.

GAMA FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2010

31-Mar	
BANK ACCOUNT	
Savings	\$ 22,034.60
Checking	\$ 567.10
Account Balance	\$ 22,601.70
Cash on hand	\$ 46.00
Total assets	\$ 22,647.70
INCOME	
Dues	\$ 60.00
3/27/10 RACE	\$ 184.75
Club Pins	\$ 9.00
Total Income	\$ 253.75
EXPENSES	
Richard Looby-ramp	\$ 54.01
Richard Looby-Tractor parts	\$ 10.81
Bill McCann-Tractor Oil	\$ 20.54
Bob Petrinec-door prizes	\$ 98.49
Sanaloma Laser-name tags	\$ 12.00
George Gilliam-postage	\$ 33.02
AMA Charred	\$ 90.00
Action	\$ 320.00
Clawson	\$ 57.00
Total expenses	\$ 695.87



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More information about non-GAMA events on the calendar can be found at the [AMA District 8 Web Site](#) and in *Model Aviation*.

GAMA event information can be found on the [GAMA Web Site](#)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	A P R I L 2 0 1 0
				1	2	3	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Pattern Practice	
11	12	13 GAMA Meeting, Mel's Lone Star Lanes	14	15	16	17 Electric Fun Fly GAMA Field	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 Field Maintenance Trim Class	
25	26	27	28	29	30		

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Out Standing in the Field

This month due to the pylon races being held on the last Saturday of March, we moved the Field Day to March 20th. Due to inclement weather and bad timing only four people showed up and helped which I want to personally thank because they mowed and trimmed the field. Those people who gave their time and deserve recognition are:

Richard Looby

Terry Large

Joey Matush

Bob Petrinec

The following Monday, Richard Looby finished the mowing.

Thank you again one and all.

Remember, if you come out to help, you will be credited with points toward the annual auction at the end of the year.

I am still working on finding a solution for patching the petromat and hope to have a work day the last Saturday of April (weather permitting) to repair the runway and to repaint the striping on it. I will send out an e-mail when we get closer to the date. The biggest problem I have been having is finding an adhesive which does not destroy the plastic.

If you have any suggestions to help make our field a better place, please contact me at sgilskey@sbcglobal.net or call me at 512-363-3385.

Again, thank you all for your help.



Club 40 Competitors



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Club 40 Race Report

The Georgetown Club 40 Pylon Race was once again a resounding success thanks to the club members that came out to work and supported the event. Again many thanks to Maria and Gary Fisher for fixing and providing Pork BBQ, drinks, chips, and all the trimmings. THANK YOU MARIA & GARY. Also thanks go to KAREN DUDA for providing brownies and cookies. Many pilots said that the Georgetown club is a great place to race. We should be proud of what we can accomplish working together.

Once again our club made a good showing for itself taking first and third place in a field of 20 pilots. Gary Fisher was first with a best time of 1:44, Fred French came in second with fast time of the day, a blazing 1:34 and Chuck Esh came in third with a best time of 1:42. Yours truly suffered a senior moment and went Right instead of Left. After that the rest of my day was better.

I would like to thank Ritch's Brew for supplying the fuel for the race: also Sanaloma Laser for providing the commemorative Coasters.

In addition to all the fun we had, the contest made \$184.75 net profit for the club.

Bob Petrinec, Contest Director



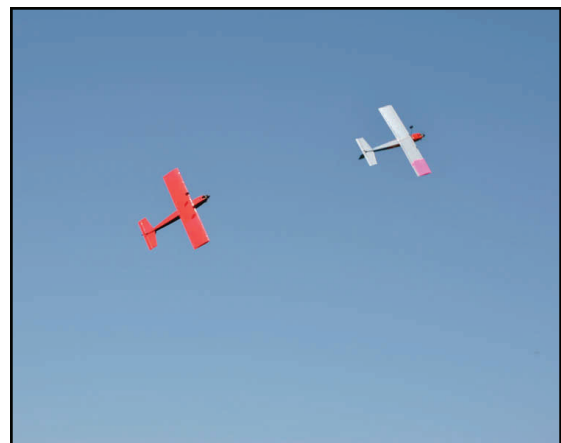
Registration



Score Keepers



The start



Rounding the Pylon



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GAMA Minutes 3/09/2010

President's Report: Richard Thanked everyone who came out and helped with the field workday. He talked about our agreement with Mel's Lonestar Lanes for use of the room. We get the room free if a significant number of members purchase items from Mel's concessions. He also asked that members use the provided restroom at the field instead of the field.

The next door neighbor talked to Richard about the chuck holes in the road to the field. It is suggested that people not expand the road by driving around the chuck holes.

Richard announced the Bill Bruce had resigned as Safety Officer because of his remote work location. Richard said that each of us is a Safety Officer. Terry McMahon and Fred Pendulbury both volunteered to be Safety Officer with Fred being named as such.

We need a Caterer for the Electric Fun Fly in April. We would need someone to be there from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM and would be willing to give us a small amount of the proceeds.

Treasurer's Report: Moved and accepted as published in the newsletter.

Secretary's Report: Moved and accepted as published in the newsletter.

Membership Chairman: George reported we have 65 members. New members present:

Ansel Boyce has 18 days experience with his plane being attacked by a tree.

Jack Emery this is his second meeting and is almost ready to start flying.

Vincent Higgins has 2 electric airplanes and was at the field Saturday. Everyone at the field was helpful.

Field Chairman: Steve had 16 people for the field cleanup. The field cleanup in March has been moved to the 20th because of the Club 40 Race on the last Saturday and will include putting up the pylons for the race. The shelter was worked on and needs to be strapped down to prevent wind damage as before. A key fob was found at the field.

Vice President: Bob The first Club 40 Race will be held at our field on March 27. We will also host the last race on November 13. Tutoring is available to those who want to learn to pylon race. The pylons will be put up a week before the race and will be taken down on Mar 28th.

There is an electric fly in on April 17th and another on Halloween weekend.

Caring Place was adopted as our local charity 2 years ago. We need to donate \$200 to Caring Place from the proceeds of the swap meet. Bob suggested a fly in with the proceeds going to Caring Place. The goal is to get more public awareness about GAMA.

New Business: There was a discussion about having a sanctioned Fun Scale Event at our field. Proceeds of this event would go to charity. The event will tentatively be held on July 10th with a landing fee of \$10.

The Show and Tell featured an Assembly Cradle presented by Terry McMahan and a demonstration on how to replace engine bearings by Bob Petrinec. The meeting closed with the Door prize drawings.

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Flying Field GPS Coordinates

On April 1, 2007 the GPS Coordinates of the GAMA flying field were determined using a DeLorme GPS receiver and DeLorme software running on a laptop computer. The same units were used to determine the location of the Georgetown airport in order to determine the distance from the flying field to the airport terminal building.

Following is the information logged:

Airport

N 30 degrees, 40.7655 minutes

W 97 degrees, 40.5704 minutes

Elevation: 790 feet msl

Bearing from airport to flying field: 49.0 degrees

Distance from airport to flying field: 3.82 miles

Flying field

N 30 degrees, 42.9560 minutes

W 97 degrees, 37.6824 minutes

Elevation: 810 feet msl

Bearing from flying field to airport: 229.0 degrees