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Georgetown Aero Modelers Association

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**The Meeting is April 12th ,The Second Tuesday at:
Mel's Lone Star Lanes, 1010 North Austin Ave, Georgetown.
Meeting Starts at 7:00 pm**

G.A.M.A. Pattern Clinic and Contest

René Grebe's Update!

The weather was OK, a little on the chill side and windy (15-18MPH). We had a good attendance with numerous pilots from out of town. The participants were: 1 from Lake Charles, La; 2 from San Antonio area; 1 from Plano; 1 from Houston and 5 from our own membership. They were a total of 16 attendants to the Clinic of which 11 decided to fly a little competition.

Our own Paul Villarrubia and Brett Wickizer (who is a member of the USA team to the World Championship) conducted the Clinic and the Q&A (or B&S) session. We had lunch, provided by Bill Bruce and Mike Weiland and started to fly at 12:30. Bob Petrinec had some equipment malfunction on the 1st round, but clean up on rounds 2 & 3, so he took 1st place in Sportsman. Gary Fisher finished 3rd, Alan Hurd was 5th and Terry McMahan with a very light electric wrapped it up at 7th place. In Intermediate. our flyer was Michael Fisher and he only flew 1 round due to engine problems.

The judging duties were in the hands of Richard Looby and John Funk.

Everybody seemed to have a good time and I think that we should repeat this event next year.

Thanks to every one for collaborating to make this a good event!



Class Time! Everybody pay attention, and NO SLEEPING!



Focus! I said FOCUS! (and who is JR anyway?)



I AM the Judge! (psst: No, your Richard!)



A flying we will go, a flying we will go...



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Local Events

More information about non-GAMA events on the calendar can be found at the host club's web site.
GAMA event information can be found on the **GAMA Web Site**

Next GAMA Field Event: Club 40 Pylon Race!

GAMA will be holding a Club 40 Pylon Race
On Saturday, November 13th!
At the G.A.M.A Field.

G.A.M.A. Club 40 Pylon Race!

As reported by Bob Petrinec

The March 26th Georgetown race is in the books. The day started with a tech inspection that found a few planes under weight and all engines being looked at very carefully.

We had 21 pilots competing in some of the best racing I have ever seen in a Club 40 event. It was wing-tip to wing-tip and prop to tail in every heat. There were two mid airs and one entanglement on take off and several people crashing their plane without help from anyone else. Kind'a that nervous thing when you over role and pull up. One mid air was between father and son and Jeff Large destroyed his dad's plane without any damage to his plane. In the first round Ted Dziedzic set fast time for the day. After that the cut-bug got Ted until he and Mike Walther got together coming around pylon one, resulting in a spectacular re-kiting of two planes. Fred French managed to thread his way through the pack to take first place for the day. Way to go Fred! Fred's engine was opened and found to do 100% stock.

We all know that having a race requires help from people willing to do the work. Thanks to all the workers, our race was a huge success. Also a special thanks to Ritch's Brew for supplying the fuel for our Club 40 race

Here are the top 5 results:

Place	Pilot	Best time
1	Fred French	1:28.44
2	Gary Fisher	1:30.60
3	Ken Hopson	1:28.15
4	Steven Fabianke	1:31.44
5	Gary Alphin	1:33.68



A little CA here...

Say Dad, at least your other plane survived with a new pink decoration!



TURN! NOW!



Time for the SUPER PUSH!



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GAMA FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2011

March 31 2011

BANK ACCOUNT

Savings	\$ 25,952.79
Checking	\$ 427.73
Account Balance	\$ 26,380.52
Cash on hand	\$ -
Total assets	\$ 26,380.52

Note: \$500.00 transferred from savings to checking

INCOME

Dues	\$ 392.00
Club Pins	\$ -
Name Badges	\$ 15.00
Pattern Clinic (Net)	\$ 80.00
Club 40 Pylon Race (Net)	\$ 229.94
Total Income	\$ 716.94

EXPENSES

Action Portable Toilet (March & April)	\$ 160.00
Bob Petrinc, March Door Prizes	\$ 51.45
Sanaloma Laser, Pattern Clinic Coasters	\$ 40.00
George Gilliam, Postage, Member blanks	\$ 38.98
Chuck Esh, Newsletter Postage	\$ 44.00
Terry McMahan, Windsock	\$ 65.00
Bill Bruce, Propane Tank & Propane	\$ 43.92
Terry McMahan, March Field Workday Exp.	\$ 24.66
Al Clawson Disposal, Inc (April - June)	\$ 58.14
Total Expenses	\$ 526.15

GPS Coordinates for the GAMA Flying Field

North 30 degrees, 42.9560 minutes

West 97 degrees, 37.6824 minutes

Elevation: 810 feet msl

Bearing from flying field to airport: 229.0 degrees

Use 655 CR141, Georgetown, TX as the address in your GPS

GAMA March Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to order by Steven Gilskey at 7:00 PM

Meeting started with Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Presidents Report

Rancher who had cattle by our field has moved but son may still be living in trailer. Need to ensure all are following 10mph guideline in entering through gravel road to our flying site, creates dust for residents still in area.

Pattern Flying Clinic on March 12th, AMA Sanctioned Event, Rene Grebe to lead program. \$15.00 fee for clinic. Rene has marked runway for event. Grilled food will be available for purchase.

Annual Spring Club 40 Pylon Race on March 26th, grilled food will be available for purchase. Volunteers needed to assist in running event.

USRA – Hearne, TX GAMA supplies volunteers for event will need (6) people to assist. Free lodging provided by event, lunch + Donation of \$500.00 to club. Had (5) volunteers at meeting. If interested please contact Bob Petrinc.

Monokote Shrink Issue - Bob questioned if anyone has had an issue with Monokote not shrinking when heated. May be old Monokote, let Bob know.

Treasurers Report

\$25,710.85 in savings account as of date.

\$453.88 in checking as of date.

\$486.04 expenses for month.

Membership Report

We currently have 84 paid members, 76% renewal from 2010.

17 new members this year with 6 new from last meeting in February.

Field Report

Field Maintenance on 3/6. Thank you to all who assisted

Heli Pad Petromat has been pulled up until later date to repair.

Wind sock has been ordered (installed week of 3/21 for Club 40 Race).

Field Search Committee

Met as a group on March 5th. Meeting notes compiled by Stephen Gilskey

Hill Country Aero Modelers (South Austin R/C Club) has just started up at a new field. Need to visit with them to see what they did and how they did it to assist in our search for permanent flying field for GAMA.

As a note to Field Search Heading – Executive Committee defined volunteers who attended Search Committee meetings would be assigned 5 points per meeting with Appreciation Plaque at year end. 5 Yea's/ 1 Abstain. Motion approved by Executive Committee

Show & Tell

Terry McMahan brought several models to show off: Habu 32 DF w/retracts ~\$429.00 and also a Sundowner 36 ~\$169.00. Both available at Hobby Express, see Terry.

Chuck Esh showed his recent conversion of Edge 540 from glow to electric. Using electric motor equivalent to .91 size gas engine. See/call Chuck if interested in how he did it.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:52PM with raffle for those in attendance.



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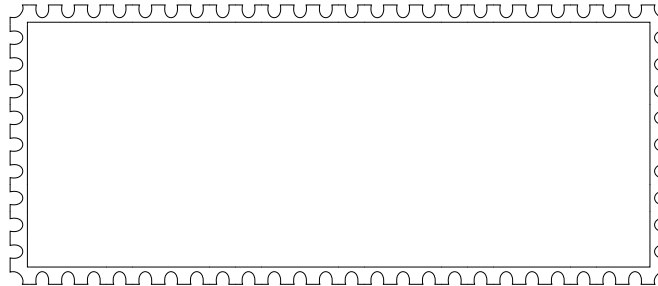
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