

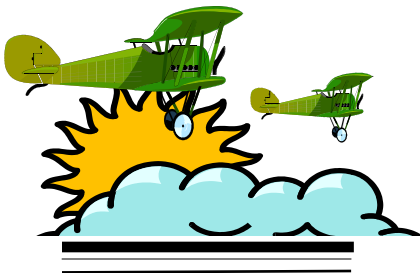
# The Tale Spinner

An AMA Gold Leader Club

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**NEXT MEETING - Thursday, August 5th, IRCC Campus, Kobelguard Student Union Bldg., Ft. Pierce at 7:30 pm.  
Bring models for Show and Tell and chance at \$50/50 \$\$.**



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



The Midway field looks great. Hinzeeee (also known as Doe-Boy) and his crew did a good job. There are slobes that still visit our field and leave a mess for others to pick up. This morning I was the first to arrive at Midway and I collected a bag full of assorted trash. If you see anyone littering the field confront them and inform any Officer or Board member.

We had a severe thunderstorm at the lake on Friday the 16<sup>th</sup>. Ten support poles that frame up the tent were bent beyond repair. The lake swallowed many of the chairs and the potty blew over and made a *real mess*. The lake crew has been busy. Artie built a ramp with handrails then supervised its placement on the newly decked floating barge. Lenny (the owner) is really working hard to make the property look good. Come check it out.

At the next Board meeting we will be discussing a Florida float-fly sometime in Oct. or Nov., a war bird fly-in for December, a 3D event, and our next big bird fly-in. Of course we will invite City and County officials to attend all events that occur. By the time you read this Bill Deppmeyer and I will have presented the County Commissioners and the Sheriff with plaques of appreciation for the support they are giving the Sun Dancers.

I have been holding off the construction of the Rock Road site until we get a few more estimates. I have had two contractors look at the project and I am waiting for estimates. Hopefully we will begin construction soon.

Summer is definitely here. It's warm and muggy in the mornings then hot or wet in the afternoon. But you've got to know there's not many places in the country like Saint Lucie County for the RC flyer. We tolerate heat in the summer and wind in the winter but we happily fly year round.

As always, safe landings,

Charlie

## AGENDA

For

Regular meeting August 5th, 2004

Call to order, 7:30 PM  
accept last meeting's minutes  
New membership update  
Treasurer's report  
Secretary's report  
VP's report  
Field reports  
Rock Road update  
Presidents comments  
Old business  
Vote on motion  
New business  
Show and tell  
50/50 drawing  
Adjourn

**Sun Dancers Radio Control Club, Inc.**  
**Minutes Regular Meeting July 1, 2004**

The meeting was called to order by President Charlie Fisher at 7:30 PM. A quorum of the board was present and there was fair attendance of the general membership with approximately 40 members present.

**Secretary's Report**

No report

**Membership Chairman**

Report read by the Secretary: 4 new members bring the total membership to 241.

**Treasurer's Report**

Balance after expenses was \$34722.21 with \$14517.04 in the general fund and \$20,205.17 in the field fund.

**Field Reports**

Midway improvements were discussed with specific changes to be made.

**Old Business**

Charlie presented a quotation for grading the new field at Rock Rd. The total was approximately \$6600. He is awaiting another estimate. Another contractor was mentioned. Huggins who will also be contacted regarding an estimate. \$5000 has all ready been approved by the membership. After all estimates are in, the Board will select the best and proceed.

Motions made at the June meeting came up for discussion and vote as follows:

1. The expenditure of up to \$2800 was approved for improvements to Midway.
2. \$75 per quarter is to be allocated for the owner of Rock Rd Lake in appreciation of his help.
3. By a vote of 28 to 7 it was decided to close Carlton at the end of 2004

**New Business:**

A motion was made by George White to close Indrio at the end of this year. The motion received a second. Some discussion followed.

**Show & Tell**

No projects were presented—Neither was a 50/50 held.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM

Hal Harger, Secretary

**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**June 1, 2004 THRU June 30, 2004**

Balance as of 5/31/04		36,106.73	
Income ---Dues	General Fund	212.50	
	Field Fund	40.00	
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		252.50	
			+ 252.50
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			36,359.23
Expence ----AMA mag. For school		12.00	
	Donation to Salvation	1000.00	
	Grass cutting for May	175.00	
	“ “ “ June	265.00	
	Newletter Printing		
	Postage etc.	147.52	
	Returned Dues	37.50	
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		1637.02	1637.02
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Balance as of 6/30/04			34,722.21
	General Fund	14,517.04	
	Field Fund	20,205.17	
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		34,722.21	

**Board of Directors Meeting**

June 24, 2004

Meeting called to order by President Charlie Fisher at 6:30PM. A Quorum was present. Absent was Walt Moucha.

Items of discussion were as follows:

1. Presentation of a check in the amount of \$1000 to be made on Tuesday 29 June to Salvation Army for Kid Camp. Presentation will be made at Midway field at 12 noon.
2. Improvemnets to Midway field discussed and unaniously approved by the Board for recommendation to membership cost including all materials and labor estimated between \$2000 and \$2500.
3. The board is unanimous in recommending to the membership closure of Carlton at the end of 2004.
4. The board will recommend to the membership denial of a portable toilet facility at Carlton.
5. Recommend establishing uniform Safety Rules for all club fields
6. Club to obtain another estimate for field work at Rock Rd site.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM

Hal Harger, Secretary

Sundancers Radio Control Club  
Board of Directors meeting  
July 21, 2004

Meeting called to order by President Charlie Fisher at 6:30PM. A Quorum was present. Absent was Don Bender.

Items of discussion were as follows:

1. War Bird Event  
After much discussion, it was decided to consider sponsoring such an event, primarily for exposure of the club and not as a money making event. The Board felt that such an event would help the image of the club. However, The Board also felt that there should be no significant expense incurred by the club. It's success will depend on volunteerism by club members and the War Birds club.
2. Float Fly.  
This event will receive encouragement and support from Rod Greer of the AMA  
The Board approved this event.
3. 3D event  
This too received the Boards ok, but after the Big Bird next year. (March-April)
4. Rock Road field status.  
Charlie met with 2 contractors in this regard, but still has not had any further communication from them.
5. There was a discussion regarding the upcoming vote to terminate the Indrio site.  
One Board member let it be known that the members at Indrio would not be adverse to leaving the SunDancers and starting their own club, using this field. It was suggested that members using the Indrio Field should attend the August meeting and let their feelings in this matter be known to the entire membership, prior to the vote.
6. Election Committee  
There was no volunteer to head this committee.
7. Carlton Field lease termination  
This was discussed and an appropriate letter is to be composed and sent to the owner of the property 90 days prior to the 31<sup>st</sup> of December (by registered mail)

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15PM

Hal Harger, Secretary

## ADVERTISEMENTS

Ads are free for member's to buy, sell, trade model equipment, to buy something special or advertise a model service. Just call in or e-mail your ad to the editor. You must, however, notify the editor each month if you wish to continue your ad in the next month's newsletter, otherwise, it will be assumed that your item has been sold or located. Commercial ads will remain as a courtesy to our local area hobby vendors until they request otherwise. The local area code is 772.

**GIL'S RC HOBBIES at FONTENELLE PLAZA** – 595-9434 – Pat Ludovico, specializing in radio control airplanes (gas or electric) & RC sailboats. Beginners welcome, special attention given. 2303 N. U.S. Hwy 1, Suite 17 in north Ft. Pierce.

**GB's Hobby Shop** – 460-2844 – 6839 South U.S. 1, PSL in the Lexington Shops 0.9 miles north of Prima Vista Blvd is a full line hobby shop with a full service shop. Gary Ballard manufactures the Wild Thing and does custom kit building.

**South Florida Hobbies** – 465-9441 – Hobby Shop – 2921 South US 1, South Fort Pierce. One block north of the railroad crossing and behind Pizza Hut.

**Walt Swentzell** - 465-4454 - Foam wing cores. Make wing kits.

**The Craft House Hobby Shop** – 683-0764 – Joyce Hart has a very well stocked hobby shop newly located at 1379 North Military Trail, West Palm Beach.

**DOUG GRANT**– 220-2833 –FOR SALE AIRFORCE AIRBOAT(NEW) assembled (see Tower Hobby 2004 catalog p 179: includes:

OS 46 LA engine(new);Hitec 7 Ch FM receiver Ch 36;  
2 futaba 148 servos; 1 600ma cermak battery pack;  
Price \$200 (firm)

# ON THE WATERBIRDS

Saturday  
Sun Dancers  
Group



By Marty Ehrman



This month my emphasis is on building. Not planes, as you might suspect, but a gangplank. The property owner supplied us with a new floating dock from which the pilots have an excellent view of the entire pond. Getting to it is another story --- a rather steep, slippery little hill with patches of sand, pebbles and grass. Artie volunteered to design and build it and he did! He had all the wood measured, cut and pre-drilled so when we arrived it was just a matter of putting it together, complete with handrails. It looks and works great. In the picture below, we can just see Artie's rear end in the lower left --- he's not feeding the fish but measuring for a new deck to be installed next week.

The pond is becoming a veritable showplace! It seems that on 'work weekends' our crowds are somewhat diminished. I guess they just don't want to get in the way. We did however have a guest from Ohio who asked to fly his new, absolutely gorgeous, Cessna 177. He mentioned that he had never flown from water but was willing to give it a shot. His first landing ended by crashing into the island. No damage! Second landing was less than perfect. Approach too hot and it merrily skipped across the pond. The third landing approach was a bit too slow and stalled nose first into the water. Still very little damage---broken wing bolts. He promised to come back on his next vacation and do better.



'Til then, happy landings.

Marty

# SUN DANCERS RADIO CONTROL CLUB, INC.

## Membership Application

Name.....Spouse's First Name.....

Street.....

City.....State.....Zip.....

Phone..... E-mail.....

AMA Number.....IMAA Number.....

Occupation.....(Former occupation, If retired)

First name for membership badge.....

Family Membership (List Family member names below):

Spouse.....AMA Number.....

Child .....AMA Number.....

Child .....AMA Number.....

List radio control transmitter frequencies (channel numbers) that you will be using on a regular basis.....

The 2004 calendar year membership dues are as follows: Full Member \$75, Family \$90 (Full Member, Spouse & Junior age Children), and Junior \$25 (less than nineteen years of age before July 1st). After June 30th all dues are half price for new members. Those initially joining the club after September 30th may pay dues for the full year and be entitled to membership for the balance of the year and all of the following year.

New members must pay a onetime initiation fee of \$25. Junior members are exempt from the initiation fee.

Memberships expire December 31st. Members have a grace period for renewal until January 31st, after which time a \$25 late fee is required to renew the membership.

**ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR 2004 AMA MEMBERSHIP CARD(S)** to this application, along with a check payable to Sun Dancers R/C Club for the membership dues. Send or deliver to Sun Dancers Membership Chairman, Bill Klein, 322 SW Scroll Court, Port Saint Lucie, Florida 34953, phone 336-0704.

Signature.....Date.....

**CARLTON ROAD GANG  
BY  
LARRY OLSEN**

Carlton Road seems to be gathering new students for Walt and I to teach. Carlton is a great place to teach because there are not too many planes in the air and lots of open area to retrieve wayward planes. In the morning the sun to behind us. It sure makes it a lot easier to see in the morning.

Last month George White put one in the trees when the engine quit on a long final. This month Walt also caught the trees to the South with his Telemaster. He trusted his student Vern to pull up as the plane approached, but he didn't. Walt has the repaired fuselage completed and just needs the wing to fall out of the tree to see what repairs are needed. My Telemaster is all ready except for repairing the wing. Another couple of weeks and I should get it done.

My new student is Tom Bashaw. He is flying a Tower Hobbies PT-40 with an OS FP-40 for power. The engine runs great and the plane is easy to fly except that it is a little fast with the semi-symmetrical airfoil wing. After about 8 lessons Tom is getting the round figure 8 down fairly well. He still has trouble with the diving right turn. Last week he was doing OK and I let him get a little low. When he tried to straighten out after the right turn, he gave it right stick instead of left and the plane went upside down. We were about two feet to low for me to pull out. Tom will need a couple of weeks to put the pieces back together.

Have you ever had a plane that did a snap roll when you pulled back too fast on the stick and had too much elevator. It is scary. A couple of weeks ago I was in a slow dive and when I went to pull out, I got a vertical down snap roll. Fortunately I started high enough and had enough altitude to do a slower pull out

and cleared the ground by about twenty feet. The Giles 202 is still flying.

Bob Newman has been flying his Funtana 40 and doing very well. Last week he lost it on a turnaround maneuver too close to the ground. One little slip and it was in the ground. Bob likes the Funtana alot and bought another one that is almost ready to fly.

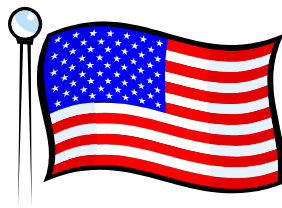
George White fixed up the Assender after the tree encounter and then broke it in half on a hard landing. His new plane is my old "Wedgie". It is an Assender with the canard cut off making it a delta wing. It flies very well.

Wally Ehrlich is still flying the old Big Stick. This week the muffler fell off but the safety wire kept all the pieces with the plane. All we needed to do was put on a new locknut.

The grass is green again and the field looks great. Come on out and give it a try.



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**NEXT MEETING - THURSDAY, August 5, 7:30 p m**

**KOBELGUARD STUDENT UNION BLDG., IRCC, FORT PIERCE**