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Changes to the SMAC Constitution, Bylaws, and Activity Policies will be VOTED on at the July Meeting.

Mark your Calendar for 6 July 2004, SMAC Club Meeting at 7:00 PM.

The complete "Draft Copy" can be found on the SMAC Web-Site under the Library Link. (<http://www.smacoh.org>). The "Draft Copy" was prepared by the SMAC Board. The major changes are in the **Bylaws** and have to do with SMAC Field Rules. There are some minor changes (additions, deletions or rewording) in the Constitution and Activity Policies.

The AMA now allows a trial membership (three months) as a try before you buy period to sample the Radio Control activity. Our Constitution and Bylaws did not allow for this new membership. That has now been included.

ARTICLE 9—SMAC FIELD RULES

A: No changes through Item 5.

B: Old Item 6.

All engines of 0.10 cubic inch or larger displacement will be effectively muffled. "Old-time" ignitions engines may be operated without mufflers in flight, not to exceed 10 minutes, and on the ground, not to exceed 2 minutes.

New: All engines of 0.10 cubic inch or larger displacement will be effectively muffled.

C: Items 7., 8, and 9. No changes.

D: Old Item 10. There will be NO low flying, aerobatics, or landing approaches over the pits, spectators, parking areas, or near by residences. All powered flight south of the runway is prohibited.

New 10. There will be **NO low flying, aerobatics or landing approaches over the pits, spectators, parking areas or near-by residences.** Aerobatics will be at least 100 feet north of the pilot line. All flying will be north of the South side of the runway, which is marked by barriers. This line extends to the East and West indefinitely. There will be no flying West of Spence Road. Flying to the East will not exceed 1000 feet past the end of the runway.

E: Item 11. No change.

F: Old Item 12 and Item 16 have been combined and modified.

Old Item 12: The “Frequency Pin” and/or “Transmitter Impound Method” control frequency interference. No transmitter will be turned on nor removed from the impound stand until the flyer has physical possession of the correct frequency pin. Exception-When the flyer is loading up to depart the area.

Old Item 16: All club members shall display their current year club card (or a Copy thereof) on their person or field box when flying at the club field.

Club members shall place a copy of their “Current Year Club Card” at the ‘Pin Board’ location corresponding to the Frequency Pin they will be using. Club member Flying Guest(s) will place their “Current Year AMA Card” at the ‘Pin Board’ location corresponding to the Frequency Pin they will be using.

New Item 12.

No transmitter will be turned on or removed from the impound stand until the flyer has physical possession of the correct frequency pin. (Unless the flyer is loading up his equipment to depart the flying field.) **Club members will place a copy of their Current Year Club Card or color copy at the Pin Board location corresponding to the Frequency Pin they will be using. Guests of Club members will place their Current Year AMA Card at the Pin Board location corresponding to the Frequency Pin they will be using.**

G: Item 13, Item 14 and Item 15 No change.

H: Old Item 17. **All fixed-wing Aircraft are to be started in the Pit Area with the nose pointed toward the runway. Insure everyone is clear of the Propeller’s Side and Front during engine run-up. Props break or come off and can cause injury or damage.**

Has been modified and becomes the

New Item 16: All fixed –wing aircraft are to be started in the pit area **with the nose pointed towards the runway. Insure everyone is clear of the propellers’ immediate area during engine start/run-up.**

I: Old Item 19 **All flying will be done at the Pilot Line next to the runway.**

Has been modified and becomes the

New Item 18 **All flying will be done from the pilot line on the South side of the barrier.**

J: Old Item 20 becomes New Item 19 without changes.

Minutes of SMAC meeting, June 1st, 2004

The meeting was held at the club flying field and was called to order at 7:05 PM by Club President Bob McWilliams. There were approximately 28 members in attendance.

Secretary's Report

The report was read by Club Secretary Joe Ferrara. The report was then accepted as read.

Treasurer's Report

The report was read by Club Treasurer Tom Minnich. The report was then accepted as read. Additionally, Tom stated the club currently has 86 paid members and the raffle fund stands at \$116.50 as of this date.

Old Business

Paint Ball Event: Preparations continue. Neil Perkins said he has completed construction of the plane and the event is still scheduled for 12 noon on June 19th with a rain date of June 20th.

Introduction Packet: The packet is currently being assembled and should be ready by the next Board meeting.

New Business

Picnic: The club annual picnic is tentatively scheduled for the 12th of September.

Control Line Event: The U-control event is scheduled for October 9th with a rain date of the 10th. Anyone interested in participating should contact the event directors, Ted Teach and Clem Schmid.

Board Meeting: The next scheduled Board meeting is June 15th at Castle's Country Restaurant in New Carlisle. All club members are invited to attend.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the 50/50 raffle was held and John Shaw was the winner of the \$11.50 prize.

There being no further business, a motion to close the meeting was made. The meeting was closed at 7:26 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

By Club Secretary **Joe Ferrara**

Minutes of SMAC Board meeting June 15, 2004

Tonight's meeting was held at Castle's Country Restaurant in New Carlisle. The meeting was called to order by Club President Bob McWilliams at 6:30 PM.

Secretary's Report: The report was read by Club Secretary Joe Ferrara. The report was then accepted as read.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was read by Club Treasurer Tom Minnich. The report was then accepted as read. Tom also stated that the club currently has 86 paid members and the raffle fund has \$144.50 in it as of this date.

Old Business

Training: A discussion followed on the need for a club sponsored training program. Bob McWilliams agreed to be the point of contact for new members who need flight instruction.

Paint Ball Shoot Event: Still on schedule. Neil Perkins has completed construction of the aircraft and says it is ready. The date is this Saturday, June 19th with June 20th as the rain date. Additionally, the field will be closed to other flying for the event.

Constitution: A draft of the amended constitution with changes to the safety regulations has been completed and distributed to the Board. A proposal was made to post all of the information on the club web site along with notice that we will be voting on the matter at the August meeting.

New Business

Damage to the shelter: A recent unfortunate incident resulted a member's aircraft accidentally striking the shelter and putting a hole in it. Tom Minnich contacted the people who installed it and was told it will run approximately \$211 for repairs. The club will check into getting the damage fixed

Dues-free membership: Jeff Traub brought up the matter of allowing club officers and Board members to continue having dues-free membership. Following a discussion of the issue, there was no clear consensus as to continuing this or not. The matter is still open.

There being no further business, a motion to close the meeting was made. The meeting was closed by President Bob McWilliams at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted By Club Secretary
Joe Ferrara



Aircraft of the Month

If you are interested in Scale-Aircraft you should like this 300 pound B-52. The Aircraft has eight turbine engines for power.

Jason Noll

Takes 3rd

in
“Extreme
Flight”



Congratulations on Your fine Flying

Calendar of Events

- 6 July 2004 SMAC Club Meeting — 7:00 PM
Location: Club Field
Spence Road, North Hampton, Ohio
- 20 July 2004 SMAC Board Meeting — 6:30 PM
Castles Country Restaurant
416 North Main St. (Rt. 235)
New Carlisle, Ohio
- 3 August 2004 SMAC Club Meeting — 7:00 PM
Location: Club Field
Spence Road, North Hampton, Ohio
Night Fly after Club Meeting
- 17 August 2004 SMAC Board Meeting — 6:30 PM
Location: To be announced
- 7 September 2004 SMAC Club Meeting — 7:00 PM
Location: Club Field
Spence Road, North Hampton, Ohio
- 12 September 2004 **Family Picnic Covered Dish Affair**
Location: Club Field — 1:00 PM (**Rain date 19 Sep**)
Spence Road, North Hampton, Ohio
- 21 September 2004 SMAC Board Meeting — 6:30 PM
Location: To be announced
- 5 October 2004 SMAC Club Meeting — 6:30 PM
Location: Club Field
Spence Road, North Hampton, Ohio
- 9 October 2004 12:00 noon (Rain date 10 Oct. 1:00 PM)
SMAC U-Control Event
Location: Club Field
Spence Road, North Hampton, Ohio

Jim “Dead-Eye” Miller was the only person to hit the airplane (once) and Chad South’s Off-Road car (twice).

The picture below shows a Paint-Ball in front of and above the airplane flown by Neil Perkins.

