



# Thrustline

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Minutes of SMAC meeting 7/5/06

Time 7-7:30 P.M.

Location: SMAC Field

Attendance: 37 members, 13 guests and family

Secretary's report read by Bob Levy. Accepted as read.

Treasurer's report read by Joe Ferrara. Accepted as read.

### Old Business:

1. Fun-Fly with Wingmasters is a no-go.
2. Buzz Massey is discussing a fun-fly with Miami RC to be held the first or second weekend in August.
3. Bernie Zoppa reported on preparations for the Electric Fun-Fly on August 26th. Sponsors will be contacted. Volunteers should see Bernie.

### New Business:

4. Picnic on July 5th was a success.
5. Motion made and approved for November Swap Meet.
6. Porta-potty replacement discussed. Joe Ferrara will see to it.
7. Don Barnes won the 50/50.

**Next Meeting: August 1st, Tuesday**

Your Dues can be sent to:

**SMAC—Joe Ferrara; 4986 W. Enon Rd; Fairborn, OH 45324**

# THE INVITATIONAL IS ON AGAIN

## SMAC IS HOSTING MIAMISBURG RC

WHEN? SATURDAY AUGUST 5TH, 2006

WHERE? OUR FIELD (Of Course!)

TIME? 9AM TO WHATEVER!

FOOD?? Yes, since we are the hosts, we will supply the pop, hot dogs, hamburgers, etc.

SIDES? Okay– Okay, if you (the club members) were to bring some side dishes, it would be appreciated.

Signed: Your Club Pres, Jeff Joos

Don't forget the SMAC Electric Fly-In/Fun of August 26th.

Let's support this event.

**This is a SMAC event**

Several Manufactures/  
Distributors have contributed  
some significant donations

### **AMA MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED**

If you do not have an AMA Membership, you can not be a SMAC Member!! There are no refunds on club membership dues.

**NON-SMAC (members) do not have privileges of flying at the field**

## **SMAC HAS ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING SAFETY RULE FOR THE USE OF SPREAD SPECTRUM RADIOS AT OUR FIELD:**

**FOLLOWING  
MANUFACTURER'S  
RECOMMENDATIONS,  
SPREAD  
SPECTRUM RADIOS  
SHOULD BE USED  
EXCLUSIVELY FOR  
PARK FLYERS AND  
MICRO-HELICOPTERS.**

# FIELD RUMBLINGS & MYTHS

You can tell that the flying weather gods have not been that good to us this year by the myths and rumors at the field. I just heard a good one. There was a pilot in the southwest part of the country who hit himself with his own plane. The result was that the pilot died. Now his family was madder than @#\$\$%^&\*. So they found some flunky attorney that wanted to make a name for himself. So he sent letters to all the members that they were going to be sued individually and as a club. The story goes on that this no name attorney also was suing the AMA (I don't think that he knew which AMA to sue). Oh well as the STORY progresses, AMA won't say anything about it and that it has settled the suit with the family under the condition of nondisclosure agreement. Okay so we have all heard some part of this story and as it goes on, it has grown wings!

Whereas there may be some small part of the story that is credible, this is as bad as having 10 people in line and telling the 1st one a small story and having that person repeat it to the next and so-on. By the time the 10th person hears the story, it doesn't even resemble the 1st one.

Rather than dispute this story, read that magazine that we all get (MODEL AVIATION) and see if you can find anything about the incident! As a matter of fact, read any of the RC magazines and try to find anything about it.

Lets' put a stop to such stories, they hurt the hobby and scare some people that may be easily intimidated.

These stories allow so-called bullies to make rules and claim that AMA ordered them. i.e. One club claims that AMA ordered that each club must have a Training Officer and no-one can train anyone unless the bully (whoops! The training officer) okays it. Well that's one club to shy away from!!

## **TRAINING:**

What are the first two things an instructor must do with a prospective RC pilot that shows up at the field to fly their aero-craft?

## **FIELD ETIQUETTE:**

How far must a pilot stand from the grass barrier while flying?

- A) one foot
- B) Five feet**
- C) Twenty feet
- D) All of the above.

A pilot should always announce to other flying pilots if he/she is taking off or landing.

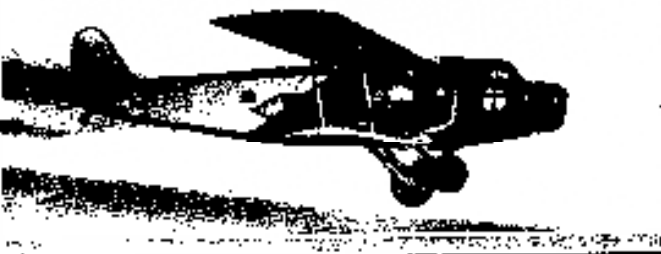
True or False?

**LET'S FLY FOR THE FUN OF IT!!!**      **UNTIL NEXT TIME.** Bernie Z

These AERO-CRAFTs have a significant place in the history of Flying!

What is it??

Hint: They are made by Boeing.



At the last club meeting, there was a lot of talk about having the Outhouse changed!

It is rumored that Buzz Massey has submitted the following!



Courtesy of Tom Minnich

**Calendar of Events**

**NEXT CLUB MEETING**

**AUGUST 1st**

**Fun Fly/Fly-in August 26th**

Location: Flying Field  
North Hampton, Ohio  
Fridays, 9am to 12 noon, Electric Flying (while school is in session)  
August 26th Electric Fly-in/Fun Fly  
Location: SMAC Field, Spence Road  
North Hampton, Ohio





# SPRINGFIELD MODEL AIRPLANE CLUB

AMA CHARTER # 1346



Presents  
The Annual



# ELECTRIC FLY-IN / FUN FLY

**AUGUST 26, 2006**  
**FIELD OPENS AT 8AM**

AMA  
SANCTION #  
06-0550

**AMA MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED**

***FUN FLY Contests announced at field***

**COOK TENT / PLENTY OF PARKING**  
REGISTRATION FEE = \$7.50

**FIELD LOCATION:** Please use the following web site for directions.  
[www.smacoh.org/flyingfieldloc.htm](http://www.smacoh.org/flyingfieldloc.htm)

For more information call:  
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