

MID-MISSOURI RADIO CONTROL ASSOCIATION
Affiliated with the Academy of Model Aeronautics

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Joe Therpe, Editor

April, 1976

Minutes of the March 26, 1976 meeting of the MMRC Assn.

The regular monthly meeting of the MMCA was held at the Farm & Home Savings Association Community Center in Columbia on March 26, 1976. President Joe Therpe called the meeting to order at 7:57 PM. Results of the roll call taken by Bill Leng were as follows:

Members present: 18

Guests: Rey Baker, Julie Albright, David Forster

Minutes of the February 14, 1976 meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Checking Balance, 2/13/76		\$ 100.22
Receipts (dues)	19.50	
Disbursements:		
Joe Therpe (labels, postage, Attendance prize)	8.60	
AMA Membership	21.75	
Subtotal	\$ 30.35	
Checking balance, 3/26/76		89.37
Savings balance, 2/13/76		946.55
Interest	7.97	
Savings balance, 3/26/76		954.52
Total balance, 3/26/76		\$ 1,043.89

Site Report: Fred Helmes reported that some problem trees will be moved. Mr. Bruce Murray of the Parks and Recreation Dept. appears to be very cooperative. Fred also reported that there is a possibility of the construction of a skid-pen on one section of one of the runways. A skid-pen is literally that: a greased section of road surface for use in training police officers in pursuit driving.

Old Business: Done

New Business: Meetings for April, May, and June will be held on the third Friday of the month, 7:30 PM, Farm & Home Assn. Community Center.

New members voted into the association were: Kenneth Neal, William D. Neal, Bob Gese, Charles Jehnsten, and Greg J. Bartling.

Copies of the MMCA Constitution will be reproduced and distributed to new members along with a copy of the AMA and Club safety rules.

Joe Therpe brought up the matter of safety at the Columbia flying site, reminding members to monitor feet, bikes, and car traffic on the runway especially for other members while they are flying. Joe suggested that the sign on the east end of the runway be constructed with a wooden base so that the safety sign can be moved to a more visible location closer to the runway approach.

Also in keeping with safety considerations, George Albright reported the the R/C club in Tulsa, Oklahoma asked the local police there to measure speed of model aircraft with their radar units. Results indicated that many speeds were well in excess of 100 MPH and that even "slower" appearing models move out at surprising speeds. Moral: things happen fast at these speeds. Be careful!

Joe Thorpe asked the membership for suggestions for future club meetings, reminding members that an earlier questionnaire indicated very wide interest in construction/building matters. Bob Brown made a very fine suggestion that we have as a regular part of our meetings a Questions and Answers period. Bob pointed out that most of us frequently run across building or equipment-installation problems from time to time and suggested we each make a note of these and bring them to the next meeting. There was general and enthusiastic support of Bob's suggestion so write down your problems and kinks as you run into them and bring them up at the Q. and A. session of our next meeting.

A survey of the members indicated that there are a variety of construction projects underway:

Bill Long:	a Square Shooter
Dave Thomas:	Bridi Birty Birdy
Greg Bartling:	Falcon 56, just completed, ready to go
Ed Bishop:	VK's full-size Cherokee
Fred Helmes:	Legiennaire, just completed
	Sig's Liberty Sport, started and forgotten
Bob Brown:	Mark's Models Windfree glider
Ray Cebble:	Monterey glider
Bill Neal:	Bridi RCM .60 Trainer
Ken Neal:	Midwest's Pitts Special (S-2), still in the box but seen to come out
Willis Hansen	3 Ch. Heath-Kit radio and a scratch-built WW II
	Dernier Arrow (twin in-line engines)
Scott Weisner	Into the 4th rebuilding of his Ranger 42
George Albright:	Working on a radio-controlled bowling ball
R. P. Nelson:	Sig's P-51
Bob Gose:	World Engine's shoulder wing Das Bex Fly
Ray Baker:	Sig's Kadet
Joe Thorpe:	an old timer: Berkeley's Buccaneer
	reluctantly: TopFlite's SF-5A
Jerry Matches:	Named-I glider, rudder only. (Rumer also has it that Jerry is going to build a RCM .20 Trainer

Members were encouraged to bring their building projects to club meetings before they are completed in keeping with the notion that other members can learn more about construction techniques before they (and our errors) are covered up.

Models brought to the meeting and briefly presented were:

Bob Brown:	Valley Flier with a Vece 45 which many had never seen before.
Fred Helmes:	Legiennaire, done in Fred's usual fine style.
Joe Thorpe:	Das Bex Fly Bipe. Members encouraged Joe to try it with both wings this time.

Next Meeting: April 16, 1976

Meeting adjourned: 9:36 PM

Mid-Missouri Radio Control Association

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NOTICE: After this newsletter is mailed we will be redoing our mailing list. It will include the AMA, and regular and auxiliary MMRC members who have paid their dues. (List on preceding page) Others who are interested in continuing to receive this gripping publication are urged to get right with our Secretary-Treasurer, Jerry Matches, # 3804 N. Grace Ellen Dr., Columbia, Mo. 65201. A number of former members of the MMRC have fallen along the wayside over the past year and we miss seeing them at our club meetings and at the flying field. We sincerely hope they become active again in our organization and contribute their interest and expertise. For more distant folk who want to keep in touch via the FLYPAPER, just send \$2.00 to Jerry so we can keep you on the mailing list. (The two bucks barely covers cost of reproduction and mailing.)

FOR SALE: Bill Leng has a good bit of equipment for sale. (This sale does not reflect a sagging interest in Bill's part in R/C, just some up-coming college expenses.) Here is a partial list:

- A 7-Ch. Kraft radio set, complete for \$250. This is a two-stick set with 4 serves and all ni-cads.
- A couple of planes already built and some kits in-the-box (like a Fledgling and a Skyglas P-51)
- A few engines; a good O.S. Max .40, an Enya .19 without carb., and an O.S. Max .30 with a new carb.

If you are interested in any of these items, give Bill a call at (314) 642-7730. Address: 832 Center Street, Fulton, Mo. 65251

NOTICE: Actually, your Editor isn't sure whether to list this notice at this time since, lacking further information, it can only just make you nervous, with nothing else to do. We have just recently learned that there has been occasional running of R/C controlled boats in the small lakes north of the Columbia flying field, about a mile north, near the City Golf Course club house. We do not know the frequencies in use at this time but certainly hope to have that data by our April 16th club meeting and, hopefully, a system for MMRC members knowing when these frequencies are in use.

FIELD ACTIVITIES: Spring weather has been bringing the fliers out of their collars of late but the March winds have kept some on the ground. Sunday, March 28th, the day for Park & Recreation's Kite Contest was a day only for kites. If the contest hadn't been scheduled, I doubt seriously if anyone would have flown anyway, power or glider. There was a good bit of activity last Saturday, March 27th and a few difficulties: Fred Beckman got glitched badly but briefly and got home in one piece. Jerry Matches got glitched briefly but badly and went home in several pieces. Some unknown but gutsy visitor arrived on the scene with a large (I thought it was a Sr. Telemaster!) self-designed, scratch-built, .60 powered plane which he was determined to fly -- though he never had before, it or anything else other than full-size aircraft. Ed B., Dave Thomas and Joe T. tried to talk him out of it but to no avail. He had it rigged for a different mode so we couldn't help him there and he didn't want to change ever. Sure enough, a little while later we all winced when he put it in a full throttle! A potential MMRC member bites the dust, but herd!

In addition to this hapless fellow, there have been a few other new faces at the Columbia field including some with gear ready to go. One, an MIT student from Thailand came out a few weeks ago with a very nicely done Senior Falcon. Unfortunately, after a few trim flights he had bad radio trouble and retired while the factory works on his gear. More recently, a young fellow named Jerry Eppersen who runs an auto repair shop on Providence across from Pace Bell near Stewart, showed up with a good looking Skylane, his first effort in the RC field. High winds and a few kinks in control hook-ups spatted for him by R. D. Nelsen has postponed his first few lessons but not for long, I'll wager.

The rest of you members, get your birds in flying shape and come out and join the fun. Winds have generally been dropping off in late afternoons so don't let them deter you.

RANDOM OBSERVATIONS ** By your roving reporter

One MMRCA member standing around lately with his hands in his pocket, having tangled with a wind sock on a more distant field with his dad's Gazziater. (Come on down and fly with us, Mr. T.)

Who was that clown getting ready to crank up and fly recently until some sage member wryly suggested that perhaps more than two rubber bands would be a better way to do it.

Who was that rather strange fellow walking around the Columbia field and a recent meeting wearing goggles? Someone should report him to the range safety officer, before he hurts himself.

An alert member reacting quickly when someone was well into a take-off with his antenna collapsed. Quick thinking, Fred!

Ed Bishop getting a stiff back assisting a handicapped visitor to make his first R/C flight from his wheelchair.

Bill Long hand launching his often repaired but newly powered Kadet quite nonchalantly, as though he was casually discarding an old hat.

O. D. Little galloping off into the sunset recently after his runaway ACE r/s glider.

Fred Helmes attacking an innocent four foot fir minding its own business in the middle of a field.

Joe Therpe actually flying a biplane and bringing it back in one piece (but not for long.)

Expressions of utter disbelief at George A's description of the ultimate in level building surfaces at a recent meeting.

Has anyone seen Willis Hansen's living room wall and is it really covered with tracings of plans projected thereon?

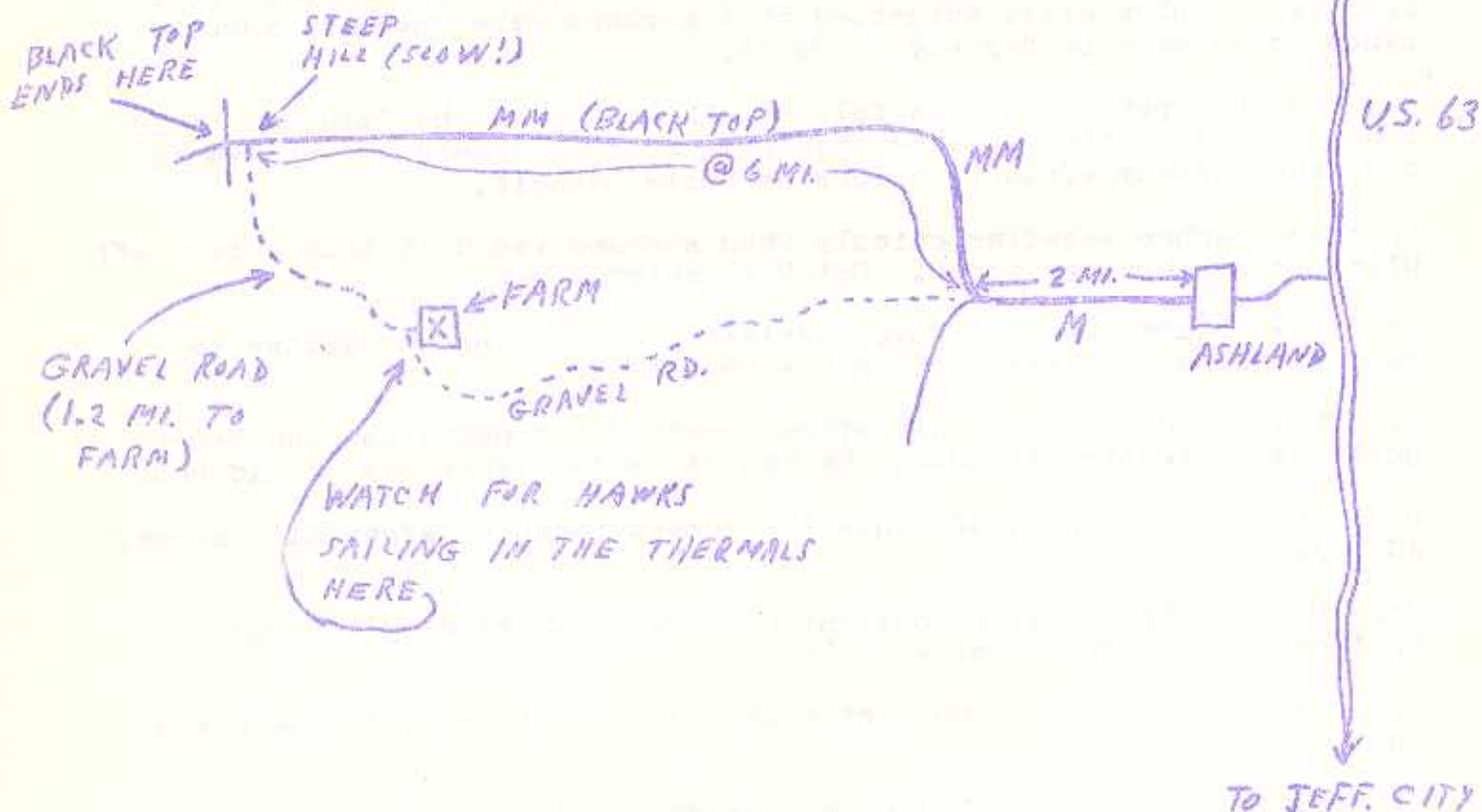
Is it true that an MMRCA member, renowned for his greaser landings (but less than optimum approaches) has been doing it with his eyes closed all this time?

GLIDER FLY-IN: More details, directions, etc. on the first MMRC Annual Ed Cox Invitational Fly-In.

Ed Cox has provided the map and directions shown below to his farm near Ashland, just south of Columbia. All club members are invited to attend an informal, fun gathering on Sunday afternoon, April 25th, starting around 1:00 PM. Bring your glider, your family, some food and drink. If you don't have a glider, come anyway and kibbitz these who do, enjoy the sunshine, or wander in the woods. Whatever your pleasure.

Take route M from Ashland west to MM.
Near the end of MM is a large hill which you go down. Turn left on gravel road at the bottom of the hill. The turn off to the left is sharp, so you must go slow near the bottom. If you run out of black top at the bottom of the hill, go back a couple hundred feet. I'll put a sign at bottom of the hill.

Ed C.



NEXT MMRC MEETING: Friday, April 16th, 7:30 PM, Farm & Home Assn. Community Center, NW corner of 8th and Broadway, Columbia.

Agenda: The Columbia radio station KFMZ has approached the MMRC Assn. about our putting on a flying demonstration on the morning of Saturday, April 24th in connection with a "firzbie" contest which they are sponsoring. More details and discussion at the meeting.

Bring your latest building projects.