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# Meeting Notes

## Ramskill Field – August 8, 2005

It was noted that the runway still needs some of the edges and center overlap section to have some spikes added. Howard and Mario had put in a lot of the spikes already. Thanks for the effort! So if you go out to the field, take some time to try and put down some more spikes along the perimeter and the center overlap.

The fence for the separation of the field and the parking will be done at a later date. Likewise, a shed for a lawnmower will also be put on hold.

Policies at the field to be reiterated for the club membership:

- 1) For glow / gas engines, every member shall have a means to capture overflow for their fuel. A convenient method is to

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### Club Upcoming Events

September 12, 7:00 PM – **Ramskill Field**  
Rookie Races – September 11, 2:30 P.M.

use a spare tank that can be connected to the vent tube when filling up your tank.

- 2) Members shall stop at the base of the levy when there is activity in the air at the field. Honk your horn and wait to be waived in by someone at the field.
- 3) Don't forget to get to close and lock the gate. Any time that you enter the field and the gate is closed, the gate is to be closed and locked behind you. During business hours, the gate may be open. If it is, then it is ok to drive down to the field without locking the gate. Again, if the gate is closed when you arrive at the gate, close and lock the gate behind you. This applies to when you are entering and / or leaving.
- 4) Trash is not to be stored at the field. Anything that you bring to the field must be taken away.

There was some discussion about a get together with the DEAF club and a scheduled fly-in at the new field. Mario will be looking into this.

There will be a preliminary race with Rookies using a ball bearing 40 size engine at the next race day. The idea is to see how much faster a ball bearing 40 is. The initial concept is to use a 40 ball bearing engine that is below \$100/engine. Craig Bevil, Duane Riedel, and Joe Sudduth will try out some Rookies with the Thunder Tiger Pro 40 engine.

Joe Sudduth has built the final storage table for the club. Thanks again for your efforts Joe!

## Picture of STRCC Members at the Field

At the next club meeting, Mario is wanting to get as many of the STRCC members out to the field. This is so a picture can be taken of the new field and the members. An article has been written and submitted to AMA for publishing. If the article is published, it would be nice to have a picture of the STRCC membership to go along with the article. So if you can make it to the next club meeting, come on out and bring your smile! Mario says that if you have a plane, bring one.

## Acrobatics on Display

At the last meeting, the STRCC members were treated to some of the spectacular flying that the Bryd family is known for. Rick and Steven Bryd were out at the field practicing precision acrobatics. All of the STRCC members that were present got to see Rick hover his plane just feet off of the ground. That type of flying takes many hours of practice. Attached are pictures of Rick with his plane, a picture of the insides of this large scale aircraft, and the hovering skills in action!







Rick is has his plane under control while performing a torque roll while about 10 feet off the ground!! It was SPECTACULAR!



Lots of cars and people are showing up for the meetings! Now isn't that unusual. I believe that there have been over 10 cars at the field for the last to meetings. It's good to see the participation back up!



Shown above is the last of the cabinets that Joe Sudduth finished up. This one has a floor and side walls to house any equipment at the field. I believe that Joe had some help painting these tables from Jerry Terhune. Thanks guys for all of your hard work. I know that Joe has been involved in most of the construction of the entire field. The field would not look as good as it does without people like Joe. **Thanks Joe for your hard work!**



Steven is shown here with his Genesis. It's a nice looking plane. I believe it comes from a line that Chip Hyde worked on. Steven say's that he is going to power it by electric power some day.



July and August 2005 -

Rookie races are back in full swing. There have been two outings in the last two months. At the last races, there were 10 Rookies ready to race. It was nice to see so many planes and people back at the field. Larry Nelson and Jerry Terhune came out and helped run the races. Your efforts are appreciated!

The results of the races were determined by Duane Riedel. The points are determined based on 5 points for 1<sup>st</sup>, 4 points for 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3 points for 3<sup>rd</sup>. For every cut inside the pylons, a point is deducted from the above points. The following points were determined for the first and second outings:

Name	July	August	Total
Joe	15	15	30
Duane	12	13	25
Craig	9	10	19
Howard	10	9	19
Bruce	9	8	17

At the August races, a second type of race was run. This was set up by Joe, Craig, and Duane to see how much faster a Rookie race would be with a different engine. The idea is to use a 40 size all bearing engine that is under \$100. All three racers were fitted with Thunder Tiger 40 Pro engines running a black Master Airscrew nylon 10X6 prop. They ran a couple of heats with the times for the racers being down around the 2 minute mark. This is slightly faster than what the plain bearing racers have recorded in the past. I would say that they are about 1 lap faster than the bushing planes.

A long time ago, I estimated that a Rookie flying around the pylons would average about 60 mph in a race time of 2 minutes 20 seconds. If the racers are now able to run the same course in 20 minutes, the average race speed would be  $60 * (140 \text{ sec} / 120 \text{ sec}) = 70$  mph. Having said that, the points for the two "outlaw" heats are:

Name	August
Joe	10
Duane	8
Craig	6



Duane is busy cooking up some dogs before the races started. It was a good time to get together and do some flying. Note that there will not be dogs cooked at the next race day.

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