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## Ramskill Field – July 17, 2004

A meeting was called to order by President Mario Gonzalez at 9:50 A.M. Mario let the members know that he as been in touch with the city of Fort Worth. His contact is David Creek and they are working together to see if there is some land available that STRCC might be able to use for a new flying field. Enclosed in the newsletter is a letter to David Creek from Mario.

There was some discussion about STRCC and status of a non-profit organization. Bruce said he would contact past and present members of the club who might have an idea weather or not STRCC has the 501 3C non-profit status.

Ralph Snow checked out one of the sites that Mario had found on the internet that was stated as a landfill. That site was 8/3/2004

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## **Club Upcoming Events**

August 9, 9:30 PM – Club Meeting SIMSCO

not a good choice as it was a small site. Bruce said he would get with Greg Judy and check out where the other fields were located on a FAA map.

Mario had talked to Mr. Stoval about STRCC's lease payment. Mr. Stoval gave back 50% of the lease money for the year.

There was some discussion on the current members who have access to the bank account and just where was the P.O. Box located for the club. Mario said he would talk to Bill Jones about this.

Mr. Winters, the new land owner, said that what ever was left at the field, he would bulldoze. The members at the field picked up a few tables, chairs, the frequency board, the electric box housing the club items at the field, the mowers and weed eaters, and the windsock. A few items were taken to the Arlington landfield. Very few items were left over after the cleanup.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15

## Bruce Anderson STRCC Newsletter Editor



We had approximately 10 people show up for the club cleanup day. This day was meant for getting all of STRCC's material possessions moved out to Shawn Peatrowski's house. Shawn volunteered to house STRCC's belongings. Thanks Shawn for your willingness to help out and store the items.

The people who showed up were Ed Perez, Ed Gluck, Greg Judy, Mario Gonzalez, Duane Riedel, Joe Sudduth, Raph Snow, Shawn Peatrowski, and Bruce Anderson. Hopefully I have not left anyone off the list. I would like to thank all of those that brought their tools and trucks out to help with the cleanup day. It was very productive and I look forward to another day soon when we can move it back to a new field!

Included are a few pictures of the people who helped out. Look at that long line of cars. With all this help, the cleanup process was done in short order. And even a club meeting was held too! Thanks again guys. You all are a great bunch to be associated with! STRCC members were quick to get things packed up and sent over to Shawn Peatrowski's house. I believe that all of the STRCC members at the cleanup day are shown here.







The last official STRCC day at the field. It was a fun place to fly. Let's hope that we can find a new field quickly.

A letter to Mr. Creek at the city of Fort Worth from Mario Gonzalez:

## Dear Mr. Creek:

My name is Mario Gonzalez and I am President of Seven Towers Remote Control Club (STRCC). I contacted you early this week in hopes of getting some information on how you could help our organization find a new home for our Club site. The text below will provide a short background summary on our current field situation, our organization, and how you could help us in reestablish our club in the community.

Early this year, the land we were leasing was sold and the new owner is converting the land into what seems to be the start of an industrial park. As a result, our club was left without a club flying site since the new owner asked us to relocate. Our club is 15 years old with members from 17 to 65 years of age. Our club has approximately 40 members and our main interests are remote control airplanes. STRCC is a non-profit organization and our only source of income is yearly membership dues, which are \$45 per person. Membership dues are used to maintain and pay for the lease site. Any amount of reasonable rent for such a property would be more than the Club could afford. However, since we are a nonprofit organization, perhaps some form of additional tax write-off may be available to the City of Fort Worth during any period we are tenants. In addition, the Club could maintain the site at no charge to the City of Fort Worth.

STRCC is sanctioned by the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA), a national sport organization we operate under their rules and regulations. Every member of STRCC must maintain membership with the AMA and is thereby covered with a million dollars of liability insurance as is STRCC. It should be mentioned that in its 15-year history of STRCC no accident has occurred which has required the need of the insurance.

The objective of selecting the site shall be made, keeping in mind the areas most suitable from the following considerations: public safety, convenience to users and the public, future development probabilities, and development costs. The size of the site can be between 15 to 20 acres, with its longest dimension oriented in the North-South directions. The site would also need to be no less than 5 miles from other radio control sports/Clubs.

On behalf of STRCC and our hopes of continuing in this family and civic oriented sport, I would like to thank you for your time and effort in providing us with your expertise. If you have any questions can reach me during the day at (817) 280-7522.

Sincerely,

Mario Gonzalez

Next STRCC Meeting to be held at SIMSCO on August 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M.

Note that there were some hard hats picked up at the field used for Rookie Racing. If anyone is interested in a free helmet, please pick one up at the next club meeting.