

# NEWS

Seven Towers R/C Club, Arlington, Texas  
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Club Internet Web Links:

<http://www.geocities.com/strcc2002/index.htm>

<http://racingrookies.tripod.com> (no www)

Field Location:

N 32.63427

W 097.24204

Mail Correspondence and Membership Dues to:

**STRCC**

**P.O. Box 174334**

**Arlington, Texas 76003**

## STRCC 2005 Officers

### **President:**

Mario Gonzalez  
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### **Sec. / Treasurer:**

Bill Jones  
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### **Vice President:**

Duane Riedel  
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### **Newsletter Editor:**

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## Club Upcoming Events

December 12, 7:00 PM – **SIMSCO**  
Rookie Races – November 11, **1:30 P.M.**

# Meeting Notes

## Ramskill Field – November 14, 2005

The lawn mower that Stan Sims had found was sold. It was decided to postpone buying a lawn mower until the spring. That is unless a really good deal comes around that somebody finds.

Club dues are now going to be collected at the beginning of the year. You can give your dues to any club officer, come to a club meeting and pay them there, or send them in to the address at the top of this page. Membership dues are: \$30 for seniors, \$45 for a family, or \$48 if prorated through the year. A form will be provided for you at the end of the newsletter if you are interested in sending in your dues through the post office box.

Joe Domain, and Aubry and Tina Mc Manus joined the club this month.

The rookie races will be starting at 1:30 PM instead of 2:00 PM. This is due to the loss of the extra hour of daylight last month. So make a note of the new time if you are planning on coming out.

Submitted-

Bruce Anderson, STRCC Newsletter editor

## The Runway Comes Loose

Due to high winds on a Sunday, approximately 1/4<sup>th</sup> of the runway was torn away from the spikes. I believe that the center section of the runway tore away from the spikes and then proceeded to come apart. An emergency repair announcement was made using the club's e-mail list. Ralph Snow, Joe Sudduth, Mario Gonzalez, and Bruce Anderson showed up on the following Saturday to repair the runway. Old wire spikes were used at first, but were too easy to bend because the ground was so hard from not having any moisture.

Mario and Joe headed out to Home Depot and found some real spikes and washers to use. The runway was reattached at the centerline with more close spaced spikes. I believe we now have a runway that will stay put.

## Is This The Right Flying Weather?

If you are ever wondering what kind of weather we will be having and how it will effect your flying, you need to check out this new weather map. Ralph Snow e-mailed a link to the USAIRNET web page for sport aviators. This site will give you a detailed 3 hour prediction of what the weather will be like. It includes the temperature (and wind chill), wind and direction, cloud base, visibility, and chance of rain. You can check out this link at:

<http://www.usairnet.com/weather.htm>

Select a region (Texas) and then a city (Arlington) and you will end up with a good 5 day forecast. The link below will get you to the same place.

<http://usairnet.com/cgi-bin/launch/code.cgi?model=avn&Submit=Change+Source&state=TX&sta=KGKY>

Bookmark this link and check out the weather for the next Rookie races!

## 114th Aerosquadron Toy Fly

Ralph Snow mentioned that the DEAF club is holding a Toy Fly. Next Saturday, December 10th is the third annual Toy Fly held in conjunction with the 114th Aerosquadron at their field in Grapevine. Get on the DEAF website, [www.deaf-rc.org](http://www.deaf-rc.org) and go to the events calendar to get the flyer for the event. Go to the 114th website, <http://www.114thraerosquadron.com/> for a

map to get you there. Admission is one unwrapped toy. Hope to see you there.

If you have any additional questions about this event, contact Ralph Snow at the e-mail below (snowsralph@netscape.net)

## Club Officers Needed

STRCC will be losing two of the club officers this year. Bill Jones and Duane Riedel will be stepping down. STRCC would not be the same without the efforts of these two fine gentlemen. My hat's off to the both of you for serving and making STRCC what it is today.

Nominations for all club offices will be open next month. Please consider serving your fellow club members as these two have in the past. Mario also had these comments to share:

Unfortunate for us, Bill Jones will no longer be able to serve as our club Secretary/Treasurer. He has done a great job in keeping us current with AMA and keep our account up to par. In addition, he has also played a major role in purchasing and delivering materials required to build our shade structure. In short, we need to thank Bill for the years that he has dedicated to the club as our Secretary/Treasurer.

As you are aware that nominations for office were in November and now we will have two vacant chairs in 2006, VP and Secretary / Treasurer. I am hoping that some of you would consider these two positions

## Those Magnificent Men and Their Flying Machines

A long time ago, I went to a movie with my father called "Those Magnificent Men and Their Flying Machines". I believe that we as

modelers understand this quest for those different flying machines. I ran across a new way of putting turbine engines to use the other day. There is a finnish fellow that really likes to fly. So he decided to take two model turbine engines and strap them onto his legs for flying purposes. This is a real interesting segment that only goes to show you that we are all a little nuts! If you have high speed internet access,

then follow the link below for an interesting video clip. I will bring this video to the next meeting if you are interested in seeing the "BRID MAN" in action. He is also known as a flying finn! And he actually does sustain flight! Anyone else interested in flying this way?

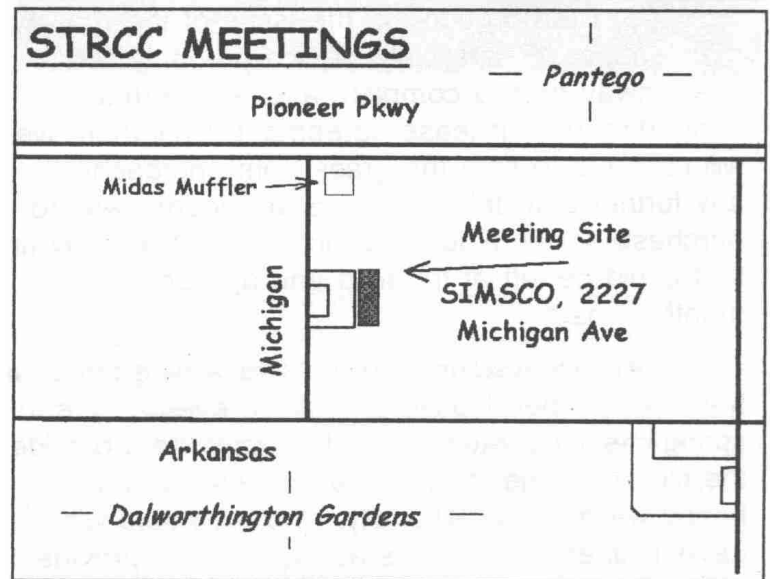
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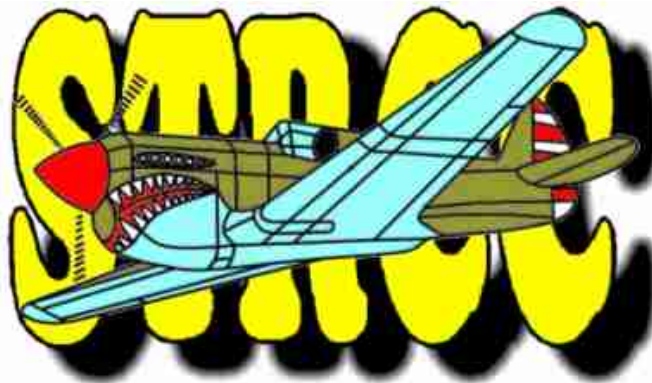
November 2005 –

We did get together for races this month. It was a good time to get out and fly. Again, thanks to Jerry Terhune and Larry Nelson for coming out and keeping the races running smoothly.

I'm not sure of who is leading the races this year, but I'm pretty sure that it would be the speedy Joe Sudduth. Who's after that is still unknown. There is only one last race of the year to collect more points. If you haven't been to the races recently, it would be a good time to get in some practice before next year. Hope to see you at the races!



**Don't forget the next Club Meeting  
is at Simsco  
December 12th - 7:00 PM**



**Seven Towers Radio Control Club**

**Arlington Texas**

(AMA Charter No. 2421)

**Membership Application**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**AMA Number: (Mandatory)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Radio Frequencies:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**e-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**e-mail or paper copy newsletter:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Flying Experience Level:**

**Beginner:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Novice:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Advanced:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Special Interests:** \_\_\_\_\_

**About The Club:**

The Seven Towers RC Club (STRCC) is a relatively small club with roughly 25 members. Most of the folks are very laid back and are in the hobby strictly for pleasure. We are chartered with the Academy Of Model Aeronautics (AMA) and are governed under their guidelines as well as some of our own club rules. The AMA provides many services but the main benefit is the insurance. They provide the liability coverage for each member at a very affordable rate. The cost is about \$58 per year. (That price includes a great monthly magazine) Our club rules mandate that each person must be a current (or have at least applied for) AMA membership before becoming a STRCC member. This greatly reduces the clubs insurance rates and allows us to lower our membership costs. The annual membership for STRCC is \$45 per year. Seniors 65 or greater are \$30 per year. To join STRCC during the year, membership dues are prorated at \$48/year (\$4/month remaining). STRCC holds monthly meetings to share info & swap stories.

Return Completed Applications to Any Club Officer or Mail to:

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