

NEWS

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Club Upcoming Events

October 10, 7:00 PM – **Ramskill Field**
Rookie Races – October 9, 2:30 P.M.
Grand Opening – October 16

Meeting Notes

Ramskill Field – September 12, 2005

Old Business

- Staple Runway – This is ancient, but we still need to fasten an edge or two of the runway including the center.
- Fence for parking area – a cap was set at \$150.00 by the members; construction materials have yet to be determined. (Duane will provide list for alternate materials)
- DEAF fun fly – Ralph will let me know when he gets a better feel when their club could fit this in their schedule.
- Members voted on adding a new 0.40 class (ball bearing engine) in addition to the regular Rookie Races. Duane will oversee this second class as well.
- Reminded members of procedure for coming and going from the field.

New Business

- We need to set a work day to set up the parking fence, staple the runway, and edge the

runway as the grass is beginning to creep up to the runway.

- Initial discussion to set a Grand Opening for the fielding October 16th. We will discuss details as we get closer to the date.
- We talked about the pylon distances
- I asked members to consider having officers nominations in November and hopefully the members have enough time to think about running for office rather than doing it at the spur of the moment.
- Members voted on setting a cap to purchase a lawn mower; however, I will try to see if I could get any of the surrounding cities to donate surplus or outdated one.
- Gary Henning indicated that he would like to organize a fun fly. We gave him the go ahead with the condition that he needs to verify with the members about the time and date for this event.
- We presented Jerry Terhune with a pin and a certificate as part of graduating to now flying solo. By the time this was done, it was rather dark and we did not have a chance to

take pictures. I will try and arrange it with him and Joe Sudduth to take pictures of the presentation.

- Melissa took pictures of the members that were present. Hopefully our story will be published later this year or early next year.

Meeting minutes submitted by:
Mario Gonzalez – President STRCC

The following information was passed on by Mario for the installation of a second barrier. Duane is working on getting the supplies to place a barrier between the pits area and the parking lot. The following was copied from AMA's recommended field dimensions.

- TAXI AREA: No landings or takeoffs from this area.
- Provides additional open space between pilots and aircraft during time when most out of control accidents happen.
- Allows taxi room in front of other pilots with less likely chance of other frequencies "swamping" taxiing aircraft.
- BARRIER: Designed to stop taxiing models from veering into pilot's and/or spectator's positions (plastic or chainlink fencing, hay bales, shrubbery, etc.).
- PILOT LINE: Set back from runway edge to keep pilots away from aircraft.
- x— Designated pilot positions spaced about 20 feet apart.

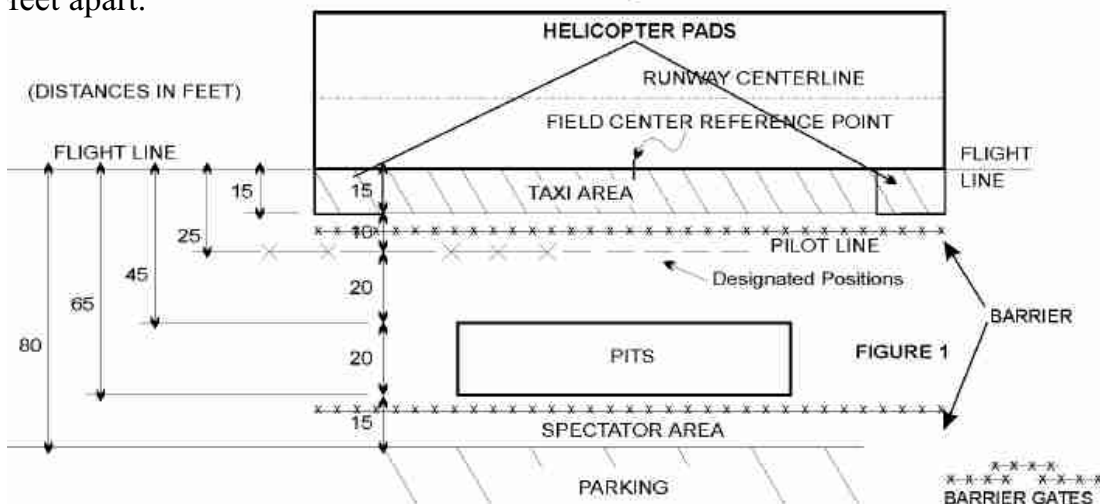
Other STRCC News

Some of you may notice that some new construction at the field. Jerry Terhune and Larry Nelson are learning to fly helicopters. They both have Raptor 50's and would like to fly them at the field. Mario has given them permission to mow and cut an area for flying helicopters. Likewise, there is some leftover petramat that they are welcome to use for a landing pad. So if any of you are interested in flying helicopters, contact Jerry at (817) 483-0321.



September 2005 –

There were races but no inputs for Rookie heats. If you noticed in the club meeting notes, there will be a new class of Rookie races starting up. Duane Riedel will be in charge of this and if you are interested, give him a call. I believe it is going to be similar to the regular Rookie races with the exception that a 40 ball bearing engine will be used.



A New STRCC Pilot

Jerry Terhune joined STRCC this summer and has been training with Joe Sudduth. It didn't take long for Jerry to get to the point of being able to fly on his own and STRCC congratulates you on this accomplishment.

From Mario: We presented Jerry Terhune with a certificate and pin for his first flight. Joe indicated that he started in late July and completed his training at the end of August. This is pretty quick if you ask me. I guess it comes in handy in being a full scale pilot like Jerry.

Editors Note:

It is always good to have new members get join up and get involved. Jerry has been involved in many different aspects since he has joined the field. It is members like Jerry that keep things upbeat and great things get done. We at STRCC do appreciate your help and enthusiasm while mowing and helping at the races.



Seven Towers Remote Control Club

Let it be known to all that

Jerry Terhune

has completed basic flight training and instruction at Seven Towers Remote Control Club and is entitled to fly as a fellow RC pilot here or elsewhere.



Flight Instructor date

President date

President Mario Gonzalez and Flight Instructor / Safety Officer Joe Sudduth congratulate Jerry on his solo R/C flight

The flight instruction certificate is shown at left