

# R/C Sportflyer February, 2003

Next Meeting at First Baptist Church of Grandview – Thursday, February 6 @ 7:00 p.m.

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**Club Web Site:** <http://rcsf.freesevers.com/>

## Minutes of December 5, 2002 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Mike Krass. There were 17 members and 1 visitor present. The visitor was Rob Clay's mother, Pat.

The minutes of the last meeting and treasurer's report were approved.

**Safety:** With the drought we have been having, it is important to make sure the fire in the barrels at the field is very low (or out) when leaving the field. The fire hazard is very high with the dry conditions.

**Parks:** Bernie brought in a request from the Parks department for information about the club for their strategic planning process. The club officers will fill in the information and send it back to the Parks department.

George Wright brought up the need for replacement spools. Bernie will ask the Parks department for a couple of picnic tables to replace the spools.

### Old Business

**Constitution Changes:** The changes to the club constitution, as published in the January newsletter, were **approved**. Since there was another change proposed at the meeting, I will wait to have copies of the new constitution available until we vote on that change.

### New Business

**Committee Chairmen:** Mike Krass discussed committees for 2003 and requested volunteers. From those that were at the meeting, the following agreed to serve:

Safety: Cliff Miller	Training: Dennis Tschirhart	Parks Representative: Bernie Drummond
Combat: John Carnal	Formation: Dennis Tschirhart	Field Maintenance: George Wright
Web Site: Gerard Jalbuena	Librarian: Mike Krogh	Events: ??

Larry Smith has been the Events Chairman for a number of years. He was not at the meeting, so Mike did not want to assume Larry would continue until they could talk. Having only one name associated with a committee certainly shouldn't suggest that person does all the work. Each of those committees has a number of people doing the work.

**2003 Club Events:** Walt introduced a motion setting the 2003 club events. They are:

June 14 - RCSF Open Fun-Fly  
September 27 - RCSF Club BBQ

These dates correspond to the dates the events were held last year. As a note, if we sanction the events with the AMA and keep the same/corresponding dates for 5 years, we automatically have those dates with the AMA. **The motion was approved.**

While not an official RCSF event, Cam Blazer, President of the Kansas City Area Antique Aircraft group, has enthusiastically invited us back to the Atchison fly-in on May 24<sup>th</sup>. Walt will coordinate again this year.

**Constitution Changes:** There was discussion about Article III, Section 3 of the club constitution. This section deals with welcoming new members and provides a means for a club member to object to a new member joining the club. The general consensus was that this section was unnecessary. As a result, the proposal is to remove that section from the constitution. Below is the "before" and "after" that will be voted on at the next meeting. If you

are unable to attend and want to vote, you may do so by mail. Simply mail or e-mail Walt saying “I approve” or “I do not approve.”

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**Current version:**

Article III  
*Membership*

Section 1. Membership shall be composed of regular and honorary members.

A. Regular members are those fully paid in all dues and assessments of RCSF. Regular members have all of the privileges of RCSF and may vote and hold office.

B. Honorary members are dependents of regular members and are not assessed dues. Honorary members have all of the privileges of RCSF but may not hold office or vote. They may server on committees.

Section 2. All members must show proof of current AMA membership.

Section 3. All new member applicants will be welcomed by the members present in a regular business or special meeting. If any current member(s) in good standing has an objection to a particular applicant(s) membership, the applicant(s) will be excused from the meeting (if present) and the objector(s) must speak (or provide to a club officer in writing, if absent) to such objection. A majority vote of members present shall be required to overturn any such objection and the new member shall be welcomed, else the objection shall stand and membership will be denied. Applicants will be advised by the Secretary of the outcome of the vote.

Section 4. No person in the United States shall on the basis of sex, race, color, or national origin be excluded from participation in, or denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity of this organization.

Section 5. (Added 01/03) Any member of RCSF may resign his membership by giving written notice to the club.

**Proposed version:**

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**Other:** Mike Krogh asked for volunteers from the club to serve as judges and other helpers at the High School Science Olympiad. By the time you receive the newsletter it will be too late to help but, as a point of information, this is the program Mike's daughters were involved in last year. It is an excellent program and, since part of it involves building and flying rubber powered models. It is an excellent way for the club to be involved with youth.

**Raffle Prize:** The \$40.00 gift certificate was won by (do you need to guess?) Dennis Tschirhart. If I understood correctly, since Dennis wins so often he said he would share the \$40 with all club members. See Dennis for details.

**Show and Tell:** Nothing for this month. Does that mean there'll be an overflow of projects next month?

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**Calendar of Events – Models**

**Feb 6** RCSF Club Meeting - First Baptist Church Of Grandview  
**Feb 8** RCSF Club Fun-Fly  
**Mar 6** RCSF Club Meeting - First Baptist Church Of Grandview  
**Mar 8** RCSF Club Fun-Fly  
**Mar 22** KC-CON Model (plastic) show & contest, Holiday Inn, 8787 Reeder Road, Overland Park  
**Jun 6-8** AMA Grand Event, Des Moines, Iowa - Waterworks Park [www.modelaircraft.org](http://www.modelaircraft.org)  
**Jun 14** RCSF Open Fun-Fly (approved)  
**Sept 27** RCSF Club BBQ (approved)

**Calendar of Events – Full Scale**

**May 24** Antique Aircraft Fly-In, Atchison, RCSF invited

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- Jun 13-15** WWI Replica Fighters, Gardner, KS  
**July 22-28** Oshkosh! 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Wright brothers flight  
**Aug 27-Sep 1** Antique Aircraft National Fly-In, Blakesburg, IA  
**Sept 11** Recreation of the 1932 Ford National Air Tours - Includes planned stop in Kansas City, (tentative date).  
More information to come as it's available. (www.NationalAirTour.org)

**Aviation on TV**

- Feb 4** *Battle of the X-Planes* - The battle between Boeing & Lockheed Martin for the Joint Strike Fighter  
**Mar 3 '03** History Channel, *Glacier Girl* - First flight of the P-38 recovered from a glacier in Greenland in 1992  
**Dec 17** Documentary of the Wright brothers  
**Fall '03** (date not finalized) Documentary of the Red Baron, WW I ace Manfred von Richthofen
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The article this month is from the E-Zone web site. The article can be found on the web at:  
<http://www.ezonemag.com/articles/2003/jan/inside/inside.shtml>

The E-Zone is an internet site dedicated to all types of electronic powered models. If you haven't check out their site, it's definitely worth looking at, even if you're not into electric flying. It has all kinds of information about electric flight and links to other associated sites.

For those of you getting this via e-mail, I'm just sending the link. I've got it all in a Word document but, with the pictures imbedded in the text, it's over 1,500K in size. Not bad if you've got a good phone line, but it would take some time to download at 1 to 2K per second! If you want me to e-mail the full article to you, let me know and I'll do it. Or, I could just e-mail the text and send the pictures separate. Believe it or not, that makes a big difference in the overall size.

For those of you getting a paper copy, it will take more than one newsletter to get the article to you. This month, the first part. Next month should see the rest of the article. - Walt