



Flight Lines

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Ken's Corner Club President



I'm not quite sure how the heck it happened, but somehow 2010 has just disappeared on me. It seems like it was just last month that we were braving the fog and frozen ground to start the year with a New Year's Day Fly. Now here we are planning the same event for 2011!

I want to start out with an apology to the club for the erratic nature of this very newsletter. This year was a bit more hectic for me than usual and I unfortunately let this publication fall behind. But I now have 2 members that have volunteered to help get the newsletter out, so I'm hoping from this point forward Flight Lines will be a regular publication to help our great club grow.

As we move forward I would like to thank the members of LAFSS for once again putting their trust in me to lead the club forward. I hope that I can fulfill that trust and help LAFSS grow to be an even better club. As we wrap up 2011 have the final numbers for the year and we wound up with 32 paying members for the club. We have even gone international now as Chris Akroyd joins the club from England. Chris is a Major in the British Army stationed here at Ft. Sill. He's an electric flying advocate and has some very interesting planes, so if you get a change check him out.

As we wrap up the year it's once again time to have our Holiday Gathering at Golden Corral on the 15th of December. For those that haven't made it out for this event I can safely tell you that this is quickly becoming a favorite for many members. It's a simple get together as we bring our families and enjoy the evening in each other's company and wrap up the year. If you haven't made it out yet I highly recommend you put it on your calendar. It's a great event and everybody has a great time.

Let's also not forget the 2011 "Chilly Fly" scheduled for New Year's Day. See the article in the newsletter and warm up your planes. I hope to see you all out there. Basically we are going to go flying on New Year's Day regardless of the weather (as long as the roads are safe). Chili, coffee, and other treats will be provided to keep everybody warm. So charge up your planes, put on warm clothes, and come on out to fly.

Ken

Over the past few months we have had several moves of where we hold our monthly meetings. Since the club was formed 3 years ago we have always met at the Lawton Public Library. There have been some downsides to this meeting place. The biggest of which is that the Library will only allow 2 events to be scheduled on the calendar at any one time. This made for a lot of leg work to try and keep the monthly meetings for LAFSS scheduled. Then 3 months ago there was a major mix-up where the Library staff put us down for the wrong night for a meeting, which left us with no place to meet that night. The meeting was moved to the office of Infinity Computer Services. At that time it was decided by the membership to change the location of the meeting to Infinity permanently.

Let's Do The Meeting Place Shuffle!!

By Ken Isaac



At the November meeting a large number of members attended the meeting, which really stained the area at Infinity for the meeting, leaving everybody packed in pretty tight. There was also a problem with limited parking at this location as well. After the meeting Larry Kruse volunteered to do the legwork of scheduling the meetings back at the Lawton Public Library if it would help for future meetings. So, for now we will be moving our meetings back to the Lawton Public Library. The next meeting will be held on Monday December 6th at 6 P.M. in meeting room #1. At this time we will discuss the future locations for meetings in hopes of coming up with a permanent solution with a location for future meetings. The results will be announced here for those that cannot attend this month's meeting.

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New Year's Day 2010 the club held a flying event in hopes that the weather for the new year would be nice. Unfortunately the weather for 2010 was so bad all the members of the club have decided that they would like to have the event renamed. So, for 2010 we are changing the name of the this event as the LAFFS Annual Chilly Fly.

The Chilly Fly will be held on January 1st at 10 A.M., in almost any weather condition. The only weather that will cause this event to be cancelled will be bad weather that makes travel dangerous, so if the roads are bad we won't have the event. Otherwise we will be out there. We will fly no matter what

the weather is like, so please adjust what planes you bring based on the weather conditions

Club President Ken Isaac will be preparing a pot of chili and fixings as well as hot coffee on hand. Ken Reitsma has also said he will be bringing chili as well. For those that would like to also contribute food or drink to the event please feel free to do so. A generator will be on site to provide power for crock pots or other heating devices.

Let's have everybody turn out and have a great flying event to start the new year!

Pictures from New Year's Day Flying Event 2010

LAFFS Annual Chilly Fly 2011



**Meeting Agenda - Lawton Area Fun Flyers (LAFFS)
December 6, 2010
Lawton Public Library, 6:00 pm**

Raffle. Tickets will be sold prior to the start of the meeting. Drawing will be held as the last item of the meeting. Raffle tickets are \$1 each.

Welcome Members /Call meeting to order – Ken Isaac

Approval of minutes from previous membership meeting – Club Secretary, Larry Kruse

Treasurer Report –Brent Brennen

\$1980.00 – Dues Collected
\$145.00 – From Raffle
\$20.00 – Overage from October Indoor Fly

Out's
\$100.00 - RC Accessories for raffle items
\$1200.00 - Howard Smith for yearly lease

Balance
\$3125.99

OLD BUSINESS:

- Holiday Get-together – Ken Isaac. Scheduled for December 15th, 2010. 6 pm @ Golden Corral
- Chilly Fly – Ken Isaac.
- Spring Fly-in – Ron Hipp??
- LAFFS Building Contest Update – Larry Kruse
- Update on dues not payed – Brent Brennen
- Tipton Children's Home – Ken Isaac
- Any old business not on agenda

NEW BUSINESS:

- Chain link fence separator for pits area – Bob McFadden
- Meeting Locations / Dates— Ken Isaac
- Any new business not on the agenda

Show and Tell – Larry Kruse, Balsa USA Thunderbug 40

Raffle Drawing.

ADJOURNMENT

Monthly Meeting

Compiled and presented by Club Secretary— Larry Kruse

Minutes from November 2, 2010 Meeting

Note: Minutes have not been approved at this time

Members in Attendance:

Chris Ackroyd	Howard Bizzell	Brent Brennan	James Brown	Jerry Chinnow	Gene Elkins	Corky Fain
Gary Fletcher	James Gibson	Zach Gill	Stacy Harrelson	Ron Hipp	Ken Isaac	Steve Jakubiszyn
Larry Kruse	Mike Light	Bob McFadden	Donald Pflueger	Paul Phillips	Ken Reitsma	Gene Wallock
Clem Wehner						

Guests: Dr. John Page, Wayne Crow, Rodney Hoover

President Ken Isaac called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m. Minutes from the October meeting were approved on a motion by Gene Wallock and a second by Bob McFadden. The treasurer's report, showing a balance of \$2, 280 was approved on a motion by Paul Phillips, seconded by Corky Fain.

Old Business:

1. *Annual dues payments*—President Isaac reminded members present that annual dues were now payable. That activity took place informally throughout the meeting. At the end of the meeting, he announced that 19 members had paid their 2011 dues. The combination to the field will be changed prior to the end of the year and would then be furnished to paid members. Treasurer Brent Brennan indicated that the annual lease payment of \$1200 would be paid immediately.
2. *Holiday dinner*—President Isaac announced that the annual Holiday get-together would be held on Dec. 15 at 6:00 at the Golden Corral restaurant as it has been in the past. Members pay for their own and their guest's meals. He also announced that the program will be provided through the joint efforts of Clem Wehner and himself.
3. *New Year's Day/Chili Fly*—Given the rousing success of the inaugural 2010 New Year's Day "Polar Bear Fly" and the subsequent rotten spring weather it spawned, members agreed to meet again on New Year's Day 2011, but to call it something else in order to fool the weather gods. President Isaac offered to provide chili to all of those brave enough to challenge the weather and fly. Accordingly, given the promise of food and the anticipated temperatures, it was determined to call the event the New Year's Day "Chilly Fly". Details will be forthcoming at subsequent meetings.
4. *Fun-Fly follow-up*—Ron Hipp led a discussion about potential changes he would like to make in the event schedule for the club's Spring Fun-Fly, set for April 23rd. Ron said he felt that several of the events included in the Fall Fun-Fly took too long to complete and that he would be selecting events that could be run off in a shorter amount of time. Further up-dates will take place as the date draws closer.
5. *Club building contest*—Larry Kruse gave an up-date on the club building contest set to conclude in March. He said that since approximately ten members had committed to building new models, Clem Wehner suggested that the March indoor flying session at the Cameron Fitness Center would be a good venue for the display and the judging of the models. There was a consensus agreement on the idea, and Larry said he would announce the date as soon as the Spring flying schedule was set. Gene Wallock, Clem Wehner, Gene Elkins, and Ron Hipp have agreed to serve as judges for the event.

New Business:

1. *Tipton Children's Home activity*—President Isaac said that he had been talking with officials at the Tipton Children's Home who had expressed an interest in introducing some of their residents to the sport of modeling. He asked if the club would be willing to participate. There was a general agreement to conduct some sort of modeling activity with the group. Discussion ranged about what might be the age-appropriate activity and venue for working with the group. President Isaac said he would have continuing conversations with the officials at the home to more closely determine their perceived needs.
2. *Club officer's elections*—Mirroring the contentious national elections that were yet occurring even as the club met, club members added to the anxiety of the day by unanimously retaining the current slate of officers with no dissenting nominations or votes. There was an exception, however, as Vice President Chip Gibson asked to step down because the nature of his business and travel had not allowed him to do what he felt was an adequate job in the position during the past year. Further, he did not feel his schedule was going to change in the near future. Accordingly, Ron Hipp, the club's original vice president who had stepped down for very similar reasons, was re-instated to that position. The 2011 LAFFS officers will continue with Ken Isaac, president; Ron Hipp, vice president; Brent Brennan, treasurer; Larry Kruse, secretary; and Paul Phillips, safety officer.

Show and Tell:

Chris Ackroyd brought several items of interest to the meeting. He showed two very accurate and detailed pilot figures that bring a great deal of realism to the cockpits of his airplanes. Chris said that the figures are available from the web site <www. Monkey Depot> and are made by a firm called Dragon Action, among others. He also brought two of the new smaller gas engines for club members to look at—one a RCGF 15cc—equivalent to a .90 size glow engine, and a slightly larger HB 17cc engine, both with ignition systems which are mounted separately. Chris said he is moving into gas engines in order to get more flying time than his electrics currently provide.

Larry Kruse brought a newly finished Goldberg "Tiger 2" that is awaiting its first flight. He said that after building the BTE "Venture 60" earlier in the year that he was disappointed in the quality of the Goldberg kit because of missing parts, warped wood, and laser cut parts that did not correspond to the plan. His model was covered in a faux-Navy trainer color scheme done in MonoKote and is powered by an OS .46 AX with Futaba 2.4 radio gear.

Raffle and adjournment:

This month's raffle winners were:

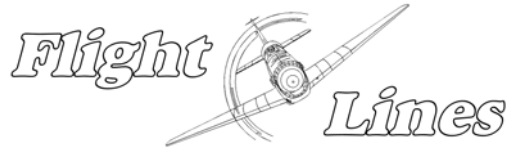
Mike Light—charger
 Bob McFadden—"Helping Hands" clips
 Corky Fain—charger cables
 Wayne Crow—indoor model (Chinnow donation)
 Paul Phillips—"Handy Hand"
 Gene Wallock—halogen desk lamp (Chinnow donation)

James Brown—CA and Dean's connectors
 Gary Fletcher—fuel pump (Chinnow donation)
 Don Pflueger—fuel dot
 Howard Bizzell—CA
 Larry Kruse—fuel dot
 Zach Gill—fuel dot

Adjournment followed at 7: 10 p.m. The next scheduled monthly meeting will be on Dec. 6 at 6:00 p.m. at the Lawton Public Library.



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Upcoming Events

December Monthly Meeting
Monday December 6th, 6 P.M.
Lawton Public Library, Room #1
110 SW 4th St, Lawton, Ok 73505
For More Info Contact:
Ken Isaac, (580)512-1206

2010 Holiday Get Together
Wednesday December 15th, 6 P.M.
Golden Corral— Lawton
2632 Northwest Cache Road
For More Info Contact:
Ken Isaac (580)512-1206

December Indoor Flying
Saturday December 11th, 6-10 P.M.
Cameron Student Fitness Center
For More Info Contact:
Larry Kruse, (580)510-0501

2011 "Chilly Fly"
Saturday January 1st, 2011. 10 A.M.
LAFPS Flying Field
For More Info Contact:
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