



**AMA Charter 1648 Oklahoma City, OK IMAA Chapter 544**

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**TORKS Club meetings: The first Tuesday of each month at the Will Rogers Garden Center on the corner of NW 36th and the Lake Hefner Parkway overpass. Meeting time: 7:30pm to 9:00pm.**

## **TORKS TALK**

The Oklahoma Radio Kontrol Society Official Newsletter

**JULY, 2013**

The next TORKS club meeting will be August 6, 2013 at the Will Rogers Garden Center, NW 36<sup>th</sup> and Lake Hefner Parkway, 7:30 to 9 PM.

**After the June 2nd Burger Burn we got this nice feedback...**

**Michelle, Jordan, Tori and I spent an enjoyable afternoon with Mark and Linda Grennan at the Okc Torks airfield, getting a little further introduction to model aircraft flying, conversation with friends, and some tasty burgers and hot dogs. Thanks, Mark! And thanks, too, to Torks, an organization that warmly welcomes the public and newcomers.**

**-- Jim Glover**

We were sorry to learn that Larry Hardin's wife Martha passed away on Tuesday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Our condolences are offered as our thoughts are with Larry and his family in this difficult time.

### **From the July TORKS meeting.**

President Gary Crews called the meeting to order.

Plans for both a Burger Burn and a Night Flight were made for Saturday, July 27 at TORKS field.

Plans for another Burger Burn were made for August 17<sup>th</sup> at TORKS field.

TORKS members agreed to donate \$200.00 from club funds to the Red Cross fund for Oklahoma tornado relief. The photo below was taken as Oklahoma City Radio Control club funds were delivered to the Red Cross.



L-R: Jim Ellis (OK Sooner Squadron), Bill Holland (Assoc. VP of AMA District VIII), Jake Peters (Amer. Red Cross), Gary Crews (Pres., The Oklahoma Radio Control Society (TORKS)) The total amount donated was \$2501.00.

On the next page are several photos from the June 2<sup>nd</sup> Burger Burn and Fun Fly. This was a beautiful day for flying. There was a very good turnout of members and families. Once again, we acknowledge and appreciate Linda Grennan's photographic contribution.





Below are two photographs from the June meeting. On the left is Albert Tipton Jr. and on the right George Burton. Each entered a fine aircraft in the Model of the Month competition. Model of the Month by a close vote was George Burton's Tiger .60 Sport.



### **FPV RC Flying**

The availability of vastly more capable and lightweight electronics has made First Person View (FPV) flying possible and affordable for many hobbyists. This newsletter item addresses pilots who may be new to FPV flying.

All rules that apply to regular non-FPV aircraft models also apply to FPV-equipped aircraft. There are two restrictions on FPV models which stand out:

While it is technically possible for an FPV pilot to fly an aircraft out of VLOS (Visual Line of Sight), AMA rules state that all RC aircraft must remain in VLOS and

A person acting as a spotter/pilot must be present to monitor FPV flights and to take control of the aircraft in case of equipment failure or for any difficulty the primary pilot may encounter.

New FPV pilots should acquaint themselves with and adhere to all the AMA rules and guidelines regarding this kind of flying. Knowledgeable club members are available to assist new FPV pilots.

### **Some Interesting History**

On the next page are four pictures showing Tom Jones Memorial Field as it

appeared near the end of the last century. I understand that these photos were taken via Instamatic camera mounted on a Telemaster airplane flown by Ken Kehlet. I don't know if there is a similar airplane and camera now in the club but it would be interesting to compare aerial photos taken this year with those taken 14 years ago. I'm sure the ground would be much greener this year.



## **Club Events in Oklahoma**

### **AUGUST**

CORCS R/C Club - Norman, OK - (Float-Fly at Norman Veterans Center - Aug 17)

**8/17/2013 -- TORKS. Burger Burn and Fun Fly.**

8/17/2013 -- Yukon, OK (C) GENERAL AVIATION DAY. Site: Holman Field. Daryl Huelsman CD PH: 405-256-6677 Email: huelsd@cox.net. Visit: www.westside-rc.org. Join us for our second General Aviation Day. All non military scale aircraft of any size are welcome, from J3 cubs to Extras, micro to giant. Any scale plane not built to a military specification. Sponsor: WESTSIDE RC FLYERS INC

8/31/2013 - 9/1/2013 -- Mooreland, OK (C) MOORELAND FUN FLY. Site: Club Field. Darwin Loomis CD PH: 580-334-5842 Email: darwin.loomis@gmail.com. Visit: www.nwflyers.okie-rc.org. From Mooreland OK, go 5 miles N to EW 35, then 2 miles W to NS 212, then 1/2 mile N to flying field. Sponsor: N.W. OKLAHOMA R/C FLYERSUG

N.W. Oklahoma R/C Flyers - Mooreland, OK - (14th Annual Fun-Fly - Aug 31 - Sept 1) (FlightDeck)

**SEPTEMBER**

9/6/2013 - 9/7/2013 -- Tulsa, OK (C) WARBIRDS OVER TULSA. Site: Club Field. Claude Christ CD PH: 918-744-0482 Email: hoper5775@cox.net. Visit: www.tulsagluedobbers.com. 4th Annual Warbirds over Tulsa. All size and era warbirds welcome. 400x50' paved runway alongside grass runway. Landing fee \$20. Pilots lunch provided Saturday. Concessions on site. Check website for more information. Sponsor: TULSA GLUE DOBBERS, INC

Collective R/C Club - OKC - (5th Annual Heli Fun-Fly - Sept 6 - 8) (GPS)

Okie Dust Bowl V - Holdenville, OK - (ODB Fun-Fly - Sept 14 - 15) (Flyer) (FlightDeck) (GPS)

9/14/2013 - 9/15/2013 -- Ponca City, OK (C) GOOFS FUN FLY. Site: 100 S Pecan. Donald Lambring CD PH: 580/762-7302 Email: lambring@cableone.net. Come one, come all. Bring'em big, or bring'em small, and beat the heat at the beginning of fall at Goofs fun fly. And if you come from more than 100 miles away, your \$15 landing fee will be waived. RV, no hook ups. SF, FR, PR, concessions. Sponsor: GOOD OLE OKIE FLYING SOCIETY GOOFS

OMAC - Newcastle, OK - (OMAC's 2nd IMAC Challenge - Sept 21 - 22) (GPS)

9/21/2013 -- Elk City, OK (C) ELK CITY FLYING ACES FLY IN. Site: Club Field. Dale Walker CD PH: 580-225-2253 Email: dalew38@sbcglobal.net. 24th Annual open fly in. 42x 500' Petromat runway. AMA required, landing fee by donation, restrooms with water, West 1/2 mile. Follow signs. Sponsor: ELK CITY

## FLYING ACES RC CLUB

9/28/2013 - 9/29/2013 -- Catoosa, OK (AA) CK. Site: Reeves Field. De Forrest Hill CD PH: 918/743-4912 Email: dfhill@juno.com. Visit: tulsacl.com. 9/28 Old time stunt (ots plus rules) Classic N30 stunt, Profile stunt (any size engine). 9/29 AMA precision aerobatics- Beginner (J) (SO). Intermediate- Advanced-Expert (Denny appearance points) Food available on site. Huge merchandise raffle on Sunday. Sponsor: TULSA GLUEDOBBER'S C/L CLUB

## OCT OBER

Team Realm - Lindsay, OK - (Annual Team Realm Fall Fun-Fly - Oct 4 - 6) (GPS)

10/11/2013 - 10/12/2013 -- Muskogee, OK (C-Restricted) HATBOX MEMORIAL IMAA FLY IN. Site: Hat Box Field. Gaines Smith CD PH: 918 478-8410 Email: gsmith6879@gmail.com. Come join the TRAMPS for our 12th Annual IMAA fly in. Sponsor: THREE RIVERS AREA MODEL PLANE SOCIETY

SPADS RC CLUB Fall Fun Fly at Boomer Field Oct 5 201. Rain Day Oct 12, 2013 10 AM to 5 PM

Max Westheimer Airport - Norman, OK - (7th Annual Aviation Festival - Oct 19) (GPS) (Full Scale)

## NOVEMBER

MVAA - Yukon, OK - (2nd Military/Pre-1950 Vintage Scale Fun-Fly - Nov 16) (GPS) 2013

## DECEMBER

**TORKS - Christmas dinner, Dec 5th, 6:00 PM - Golden Corral Restaurant**

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**NOTE** A glow engine torque starter with 12 volt battery attached was left at the field. So far no one has been able to identify the owner. Please check your equipment and recover your starter.

Fly safely and enjoy.

Respectfully, John Graham, Secretary