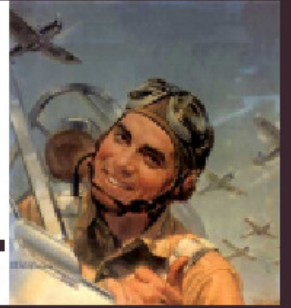




# The BEAM



**Bulletin of the Eglin Aero Modellers**

**November 2011**

## GENERAL CLUB INFORMATION

### NEXT CLUB MEETING

**TUESDAY**

**NOVEMBER 15, 2011**

**Mitchell Bldg, Valparaiso**

### Upcoming events

- *Glider Social 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Every Month*
- *13 December Christmas Banquet*

## NEW MEMBERS

**Evan Britton**

### **2011 Club Officers:**

**President:** Mike Holderness - 398 - 8571

**Vice President:** Pam Cortner -243 - 8571

**Secretary:** Ron Van Putte - 243-0207

**Treasurer:** Chuck Retherford - 862 - 8934

**Member at Large:** Mark Owens – 682 - 8994

**Contest Coord:** Ron Van Putte - 243-0207

**Glider Coord:** Craig Deyerle – 897 - 3808

**BEAM Editor:**

## Web Site Information

Eglin Aero Modellers

[www.eglinaeromodellers.org/](http://www.eglinaeromodellers.org/)

AMA

<http://www.modelaircraft.org/>

## Presidents Corner

*Happy Thanksgiving Modelers,*

*The Holidays are upon us. This should mean that everything is winding down. But, that is not the case. There are a lot of "behind the scene" things going on.*

*The Election Committee (Houston, Frank, and Cody) are busy soliciting club member about their interest in running for an officer position.*

*Pam is setting up the Christmas Party (see meeting minutes for details).*

*Club officers must begin the planning for the club organizational duties for next year.*

*I spent a bit of time pondering this last item. Then I read the "View From HQ" article in this months Model Aviation, written by Dave Mathewson, AMA Executive Director.*

*The point of the article was "If an association offers value to its members and the members do not take advantage, did the association deliver value?" Dave went on to list all the benefits the AMA offers its members, and ask the reader to place a dollar value to each benefit. Knowing that every member will not use every benefit, he left the reader contemplating the thought that if the dollar value of the benefits used equals or exceeds the annual dues, is it a good value?*

*What does benefit value have to do with administrative duties in 2012? As the club president, I have learned that it takes a bit more \$25.00 to at paved field 7 days a week. Along with managing the Private Organization status with Eglin AFB, administrative duties include such things as securing a club meeting location, club insurance, finances, and always a fan favorite, the porta-potty service.*

*These duties provide a value to EAM members. Besides a secure, paved flying field, members enjoy regularly schedule events that provide*

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## EAM Meeting Minutes, 18 Oct 11

- Vice President Pam Cortner called the meeting to order at 18:59:30 with 22 members present.

Members present: Craig Deyerle, Mark Pfeiffer, Exor Reyes, Roger Gilman, Joe Shearer, Alan Bradshaw, Jason Lewis, Rob Campbell, Frank Perkins, Cody Powell, Joseph Foster, Bob Schritter, Mike Redys, Joe Williams, Jack Pranzarone, Pam Cortner, Ray Seip, Chris, Mikles, Larry Glenn, Gene Monk, Mark Owns.

- Secretary's Report. Ron was not present. However, he did receive credit card offers and did post the October minutes to the web site. Vote to approve the minutes was unanimous.

- Treasurer's Report. There was no recorded income in the last month. However, rumor says Ron has several renewals he has not had a chance to turn in. There were expenses of \$437.05. A complete report is available from the Executive Committee.

- Old Business.

-- Nomination Committee. The committee chairman, Houston Schweitzer, was not present. The committee members, Cody Powell and Frank Perkins, huddled together and decided they knew nothing. It is rumored that some people have been talked to about running for office.

-- BEAM Editor. Alan Bradshaw has resigned as editor due to his frustration in dealing with the club web site. We desperately need a volunteer to be editor for the BEAM.

-- Web Master. It was stated by Alan that Terry Green has quit as Web Master due to his inability to access the web site. The Executive Committee will implore Matt Ross to turn over the access codes for the site.

-- Pattern Contest. The contest was held at the EAM field on 8-9 Oct 11. There were 15 paid contestants and two entrants in the club only event. Cody Powell won the club only event

flying a Mach I trainer. The final tally is not yet in, but it is estimated the club will net approximately \$200.00.

- New Business

-- Field Power. The field power is turned off due to construction at the site. There is no estimated time when the power will be restored. The USAF site manager explicitly stated that no club member should EVER touch the USAF components, including the switch/power box located on the back side of our switch panel on the sandy hill. Don't touch it! The USAF ordered a new transformer and will install it when it becomes available.

-- Great Pumpkin Fun Fly. The GPFF is scheduled for Saturday, 29 Oct 11, 0930, at the EAM field. Mark Owens is making up the events and soliciting volunteers to help. There will be hot dogs and hamburgers available (left over from the pattern contest). Bring anything you wish to grill, and/or sides.

-- Christmas Party. The Christmas party will be 13 Dec at the Coach-N-Four in Crestview. We will order off the menu.

-- Jet Rally. There will be a jet rally at the Navarre field 11-12-13 Nov 11. Spectators are welcome.

- Model of the Month

-- Craig Deyerle presented a 32-year old Falcon 56 converted to electric power. Ask him about how he convinced his future father-in-law to grant consent to marry his daughter.

-- Jack Pranzarone presented his E-Flite Super Cub with working running landing lights and cockpit interior kit. Ask him about his puppy story.

-- Ray Seip presented his Dynam Sky Trainer Cessna 182.

-- Jack won.

- Quarterly Drawing. Joe Williams won the quarterly drawing on the third ticket drawn. The first two folks were not present.

- S.A.D. Patch.

-- Ron Van Putte. Ron crashed his Genesis pattern ship on takeoff after forgetting to hook up his ailerons (This is a possible reason to do a control check before applying power. I KNOW Ron usually does this. He must have been distracted).

No worries. Ron had a back-up Genesis. Alas, this one crashed on its maiden flight due to a violent pitch up on application of throttle. He was inverted.

-- Exor Reyes. Exor crashed his Wounded Warrior Big Stick. He was doing multiple loops when the wing separated from the fuselage. The wing is OK. The fuselage was trashed.

-- Mike Redys. Mike received a beautiful Habu 32 from his spouse for their wedding anniversary (proving she is a keeper!). Alas, the model was lost on its maiden flight when the flaps on one wing dropped while the flaps on the other wing stayed up. The model became uncontrollable and went into the trees.

-- Cody Powell. Cody crashed his Yak 54 (a gift from Mike Plummer) when flying at dusk over the golf course behind his house. Cody lost orientation on inverted -- Charlie Neel. Charlie lost his Funtanna due to severe flutter on both main wings. The wings broke up in flight as Charlie was cutting power and trying to recover.

-- Ron "won" the patch.

Respectfully submitted, Craig Deyerle (substituting for Ron VanPutte)

members the opportunity to try several aspects of RC modeling, flight training, and model set-up and assistance.

*So I will ask you: does the dollar value of the benefits offered by the club equal or exceed the annual dues? Is it a good value?*

Mike

## 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Great Pumpkin Fun Fly

Saturday 5 November 2011 was the first annual Great Pumpkin Fun Fly. Events included; Mystery Spot Landing, Climb 'N' Glide, Loops Aloft, and 100 Yard Dash.

At 0930, with a 15 mph ENE wind, cool temperatures, and the promise of BBQ, the first victim was airborne.

By the end of the Mystery Spot, Paranormal Activities had started and 2 contestants were eradicated.

Contestants, hoping for salvation through altitude, cheerfully climbed into the sky. Believing that what you can see won't hurt you, they bravely defied gravity until the wind blew at least one past the runway.

Round 3, Loops Aloft, ended with parts, oddly enough, disappearing from planes during flight. With the evaporation of just one part, two more contestants were stamped out.

With just 2 victims left, the dash was on. After one successful pass, horror once again terrorized contestants. At 50 feet the plane was tossed (like a rag doll) into the air, pitched back down and lobbed on the ground.

Evan Britton survived the Great Pumpkin horrors bringing the young Cody with him. Fun was had by all, the food was good, and it did finally warn up.

Results: and scores

	Spot	Climb	Loops	Dash
Evan Britton	60 (1)	2:10 (3)	16 (1)	3.75 (1)
Cody Powell	40 (4)	3:28 (1)	16 (1)	54.19 (2)
Terry Green	60 (1)	2:59 (2)	DNF	
Shawn	40 (1)	1:32 (4)	DNF	
Mike/Craig	DNF			