

# The Temple Aero Modeler

The Official Newsletter of the Temple Aero Modelers Radio Controlled Aircraft Club

August 2025



**This month's meeting will be held Monday, August 25<sup>th</sup> at the Ronald McDonald House in Temple (2415 S. 47<sup>th</sup>) beginning at 7:30pm.**



# CLUB INFO

*Night Fly  
August 22<sup>nd</sup>*

*Club Meeting  
August 25<sup>th</sup>*

*Poker Fly  
September 14<sup>th</sup>*

*Night Fly  
September 19<sup>th</sup>*

*Fall Picnic &  
E-Combat  
September 28<sup>th</sup>*

## 2025 Officers

President: Chris Boultinghouse  
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Treasurer: Buster Hinkle (254)718-0243

Safety Officer: Ryan Benefield (512)983-0506

Field Marshal: T.K. Crisi (254)368-5443

## Temple Aero Modelers Upcoming Events Schedule

Aug 22	Night Fly	6:00pm
Aug 25	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Sep 14	Poker Fly	11:00am
Sep 19	Night Fly	6:00pm
Sep 28	Fall Picnic + e-Combat	1:00pm
Sep 29	Club Meeting	7:30pm
Oct 5	Fall Fun Fly	1:00pm
Oct 19	E-Combat	1:00pm
Oct 24	Night Fly	6:00pm
Oct 27	Club Meeting	7:30pm

Club business meetings are held on the last Monday of each month, with the exception of May (pulled up one week because of Memorial Day) and December (replaced by the Christmas Banquet).

## Instructors

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## On The Cover

The carnage from the last combat event!  
From left to right: Mike DeWolf, Derek Hinkle, Ryan Benefield, Larry Macie, Chris Boultinghouse.

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## President's Report



Hello fellow aviation nuts!

This month's column has no real format. Let's just call it "random thoughts of a long-time modeler".

If you are into the foam board models, you will no doubt get hot glue on something you didn't mean to, or maybe you want to get a servo out. Put some rubbing alcohol in a spray bottle and spritz the glue with it. It'll let go and peel right off!

Keep a small whetstone on your bench to give a couple of swipes with your Xacto or razor knife. It'll keep that fine edge on it for clean cuts in foam, wood, or covering material. You won't go through nearly as many blades that way!

A self-healing cutting mat from the craft store also helps keep your blades sharp, rather than cutting directly on a wood workbench. ""

If you run out of kicker for your CA glue, you can use a pinch of baking soda to kick the glue and fill small gaps.

Keep a small tube of blue thread locker handy. You should use it on the screws that secure motor mounts to electric motors, and really on any fastener that goes into metal. Do NOT use thread locker on anything plastic, or it could cause it to get brittle and fall apart.

Plastic coffee can lids make great things to mix small batches of epoxy on. Once cured, it'll peel right off for next time.

Expired credit cards make good spackle applicators, and can also be cut into small pieces to use as control horns or reinforcements on foam models.

Bamboo skewers from the Dollar Store make great reinforcements when repairing foam models.

Gorilla White foaming glue (NOT clear) is the best glue for repairing foam models.

Till next time. See you at the field!

Chris Boultinghouse  
Club President    caboultinghouse@yahoo.com

## Treasurer's Report



**Beginning Balance:** \$4,029.85

**Deposits:**        \$0.00

**Expenses:**

Night fly taco bar:    \$35.00

Ronald McDonald House: \$25.00

**Total Expenses:**    \$60.00

**Balance June 2025:** \$3,969.85

Submitted by *Buster Hinkle*

Club Treasurer

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## Meeting Minutes (July 28, 2025 meeting)

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by our Club Treasurer, Buster Hinkle

New Members/Visitors - Ali, works at BSW, flies helis. May join up if he has the time.

Minutes - Minutes from the June meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter. A motion to accept the Minutes was made by Frank James and seconded by Marsha Benefield

Treasurer's Report - The Treasurer's report was read by Buster Hinkle and accepted. Motion to accept was made by Ray, seconded by Joe S.

Safety Officer's Report - Ryan Benefield presented the safety report. Not much to discuss other than the ongoing grass burr issue. Also, if you do need to go out into the rough wear long pants and beware of the briars! If all else fails, drink water and stay hydrated.

Field Marshal's Report - TK absent. Buster encouraged members to volunteer to mow the field.

Announcements - Joe S. is moving to Leander, end of August.

*(Meeting Minutes continued on next page)*

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Old Business - The previous combat event was discussed. Twenty-three mph winds made for challenging conditions as usual. Our out-of-town guests were late and/or had equipment issues, as a result the flying didn't actually start until 2:50pm! This won't happen again. Rounds will start on time, and if you aren't there you get a zero.

Results:

- Mike: 2 cuts, 1 midair = 3 pts
- Derek: 5 cuts, 3 midairs = 8 pts
- Chris: 3 cuts, 1 midair = 4 pts
- Ryan: 10 cuts, 4 midairs = 14 pts (!!!)
- Andrew: 3 cuts, 2 midairs = 5 pts
- George: 1 cut, 1 midair = 2 pts

Overall standings

- Chris 35
- Ryan 35
- Andrew 17
- Derek 11
- George 7
- Mike 6
- John Cobb 5
- Larry 3
- Frank 2
- Bill 2
- Doug 1

New Business - Upcoming night fly Aug 22, casserole of some sort will be served

Trip Reports - None

Blunder Award - Frank James, for crashing a Timber a couple of times

Meeting adjourned at 8:16, motion by Kenny, 2nd by Ray

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The flight line at the most recent combat event.



Combat planes "mixing it up"!

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