



The Propwash

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Next Meeting

Tuesday
Mar 2nd
2021

7:00 PM IHOP
14424 San Pedro Ave

Google Coordinates:
29.57312, -98.47847
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**ON NORTH BOUND
ACCESS RD OF 281
Between Bitters and
Oak Shadow/Winding Way**

**If you're going South on 281,
Exit Bitters and Take the
Turnaround**

**If you're going North on 281,
Exit Bitters and Stay
In Right Lane
About 1/4 mile past Bitters**

At The Meeting

Be Sure To:

- 1) Wear Masks**
- 2) Practice Social Distancing**

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Date: 02/2/2021, 7:05 PM

The meeting of the Prop Busters was called to order by President, Charles Strang at IHOP, 14424 San Pedro Ave, just north of Bitters on 281. President: Charles Strang welcomed everyone and opened the meeting. There were no visitors.

The January minutes were approved as published by unanimous vote.

VP/Safety Officer: Bob Severance had no comment.

Secretary: Terry Ulman had no comment.

Treasurer: Jim Branaum reported the current expenses, income, and account balances. Contact Jim if you need details.

Newsletter: John Gardner was absent. Free ads and articles of interest for the newsletter need to be submitted by members to John Gardner by the 17th.

Early Bird Raffle: None.

Field Search: Nothing to report

Membership: Rick Storm reported no new members, although there have been a few individuals that have sought membership even though our only field is San Geronimo. There was discussion regarding accepting potential new members with the understanding that they **would only fly at San Geronimo with a required spotter familiar with procedures of San Geronimo**. Dues for this **limited membership** would be \$20, **and they would not** be able to fly at other fields as guest of BAMS or ARCS as regular members do now while we seek another primary flying field. Of

course, **AMA membership is required**. After brief discussion, all present **approved** the Motion to accept these potential new members on a limited basis.

New Business: There was discussion of the upcoming “**IMAC Training**” event for **March 6** being advertised on Facebook by **Ken Rogers of San Geronimo**. **Bob Severance** is helping to coordinate this event sponsored by **San Geronimo**, with Prop Busters interest as we will provide AMA insurance as co-organizers.

Crash Chronicles: **Jim Branaum** was doing touch and goes with **his Dubrac**, when a gust of wind tipped the wing into the ground. The resulting rotation broke the fuse in half. He pulled out an **Ultra Stick**, and accelerated down the runway, and he managed to flip it over before it could take off!

Model of the Month: Lloyd Roecker showed his plane that he found as a kit in a garage sale. The airplane is a Byron Original named Pipe Dream. It has an 84in wing span, uses at least a 60-size engine, probably better if a 90, 4 cycle. The plane is unique in that it uses an aluminum tube for the main fuselage. Because of the tube and locking mechanisms, the wing and elevator sections can be easily moved along the tube to adjust the balance and flight characteristics. It weighs about 12 lbs. Mid 80s vintage. Foam wings & tail were covered with Econocote. Lloyd also, he won the raffle airplane, an UMX Yak 54 3D!

Bob Severance had acrobatic plane that he steered into the ground. He told of an Ultra Stick that he also flew for a short time.



Raffle:

- Charles Strang - Ying Yang
- Mark Blackmer- Glue
- Bob Severance- 4 channel receiver
- Jim Branaum-Ying Yang
- Lloyd Rocker- RTF Yak 54

Meeting Adjourned 7:59 PM
Submitted by: Secretary, Terry Ullman

Membership Notes

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Need a membership list?

e-mail me and I'll send you a fresh one.

NEED AN INSTRUCTOR? Call Me

Thank all of you for sticking with us while we seek to acquire a new flying field for general use.



We still have permission to use the San Geronimo Air Park Runway for Model aircraft

Operation. Just a reminder, this runway is also used by full scale aircraft and a safety observer is always required. We have one new member request to be voted on in the March meeting.

We are still looking for a field, and if anyone knows somebody that might link us to a suitable property PLEASE notify the officers so the contact can be followed up.

The following members celebrate another milestone date in March. Wish them a happy birthday when you see them.

<u>Day of Birth</u>	<u>Member Name</u>
8	Robert B. Severance
28	Frank Pisz

Fun Fly winners announced

The air near the spillway area of O.C. Fisher Reservoir was crowded with airplanes as the Ninth Annual Angelo Radio Control Club Fun Fly finished up Sunday.

There were 50 radio controlled airplane pilots from West Texas in attendance, bringing a total of 80 planes.

Spectators got a chance to vote each day for their favorite aircraft.

Saturday's winners were:

Spectator's Choice — 1. B-25 Mitchell, brought by Dave Maxedon of San Angelo. 2. Piper Cub, David Crammer, Abilene.

Best Civilian Aircraft — 1. Piper Cub, Crammer. 2. Super Cub, Mike Wharton, Big Lake. 3. Space Walker, Robert Olivera, Abilene.

Best Military Aircraft — 1. B-25 Mitchell, Maxedon. 2. F-20 Tiger-shark, Mark Wornell, Midland. 3. Japanese Zero, Ralph Rider, San Angelo.

Most Unusual — 1. V-Tail, Bob Austin, San Angelo. 2. HOTS, Francis Gerbert, Fort Stockton.

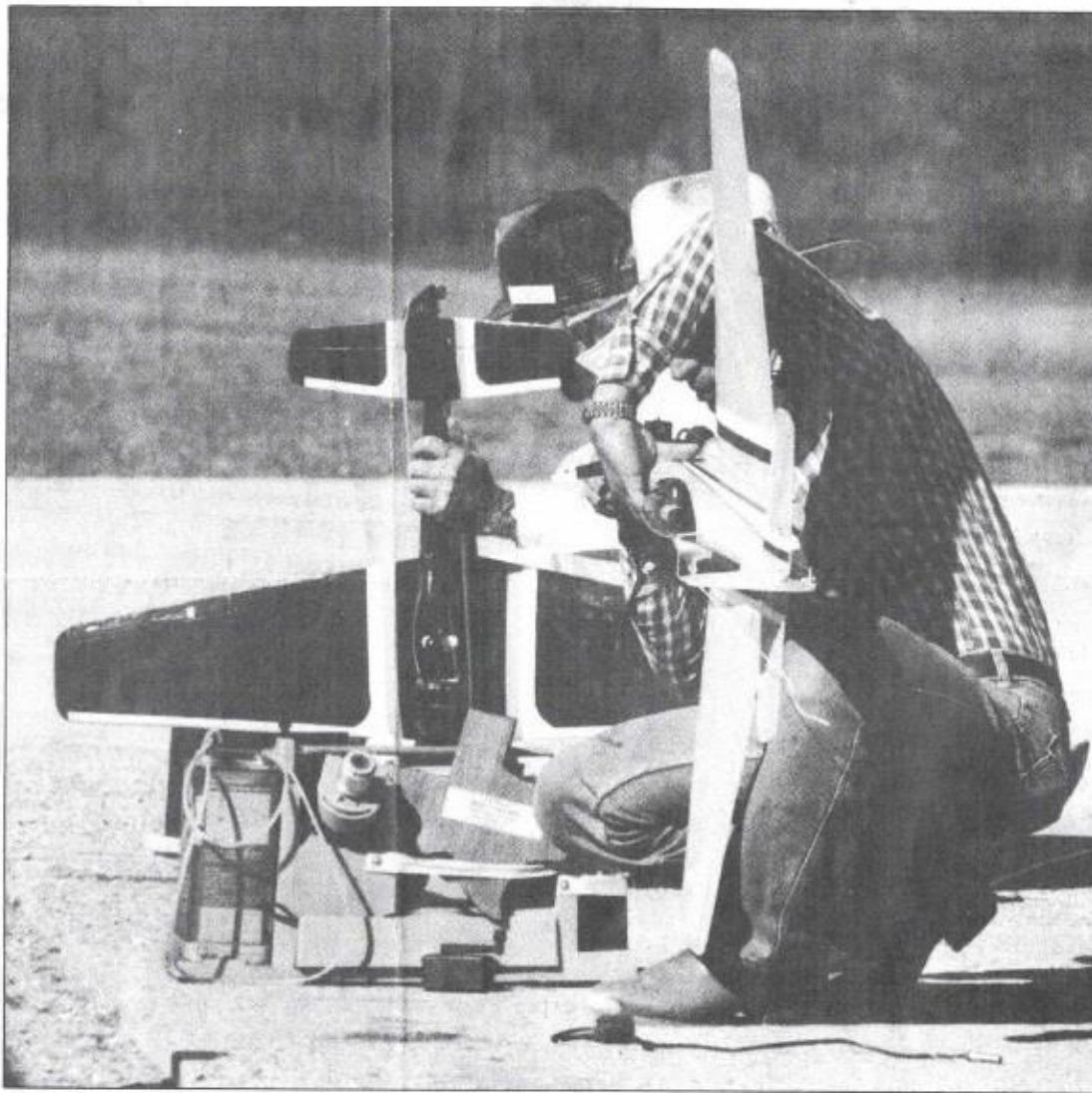
Sunday's winners were:

Spectator's Choice — 1. Extra-230, John Sellers, Odessa. 2. Twin-Ray, Charlie Campbell, San Angelo.

Best Civilian Aircraft — 1. Chipmunk, Jim Branum, San Antonio. 2. Rearwind Speedsters, Lee Bowman, San Angelo. 3. Super Cub, Dave Tweelings, Abilene.

Best Military Aircraft — 1. Zero, Rider. 2. P-51, Hilmer Merz, San Antonio. 3. F-15 Eagle, Pete Dubree, San Angelo.

Most Unusual — 1. Yard Dart, Sellers, Odessa. 2. Wing, Mike Gay,



Jim Branum (back) and Hilmer Merz pack up their planes to return to San Antonio. Branum won Best Civilian trophy, and Merz picked up second place for the Best Military

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See Map at Left



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