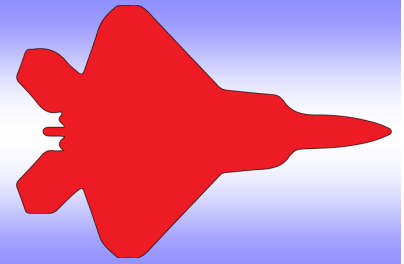


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President's Note

TRAC Elections to be held this Saturday!

As usual, we will hold our annual election of board members at the November club meeting - this Saturday, November 13.

I have decided that after sixteen years as president of the club, it's time for me to step down; I will not run for re-election. I have too many people to whom I owe a big "Thank you!" for the years of support, encouragement (and/or "feedback" ☺), and help with our great club to do so here and now, but I plan to leave a few notes with the newsletter editor in the future.

I notified the current board members and a few others back on Oct. 24. Since then, one of our current directors, Don Riek, noted that he has been asked by some members to run for president. Don said that if he is nominated, he will run. As far as I know at this time, the other board members all plan to run for re-election. Of course, nominations for any office may be made from the floor during the election process at the meeting, and I encourage everyone to help out by serving as a board member at least once during their time with the club!

Votes on motions regarding TRAC fees & dues this Saturday!

At the September club meeting, there were two motions of a similar nature regarding increases to TRAC fees and dues to keep our club in good financial health, now...and for the future. I will outline the competing motions below and include an estimate of the annual \$ benefit to TRAC of each as well. The estimates are based on the assumption of a current membership of 78 members, and an average of 1.5 new adult members per month with a similar number lost to attrition (members not renewing each month for any reason).

Motion 1:

Increase Initiation fee from \$50 to \$100;
increase Re-join fee from \$25 to \$50;
no change in annual dues amount for any member.

Based on the assumptions above, the net increase to the club is **\$900** per year.

Motion 2:

Increase Initiation fee from \$50 to \$75; increase Re-join fee from \$25 to \$35;
increase individual Adult annual dues from \$100 to \$125;
increase Family dues from \$150 to \$185 (approx. 1.5 x individual Adult);
increase Junior dues from \$25 to \$35 (Init. fee is waived for Juniors)

Same assumptions as above, the net increase to the club is **\$2400** per year.

Final TRAC Events for 2021

Don't forget to come out to our 28th Annual Open House/Charity Event on Saturday, Nov. 20 and our Fall SWAP MEET Saturday, Dec. 4! See inside for event flyers.

See you at the field,
Scott Kantrowitz

TRAC MINUTES

October 9, 2021

Meeting Call to Order

Meeting called to order by President Scott Kantrowitz at 11:00 a.m. with 26 signed-in members present. Motion to accept minutes of last meeting was made, seconded, and passed.

Treasury Report

Treasurer Chuck Wolfe presented a detailed treasury report and break down of expenses.

Beginning Balance	\$ XXXX.XX
Income	\$ 349.11
Expenses	\$ 149.55
Closing Balance	\$ XXXX.XX
Runway Fund	\$ 9,876.05

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made, seconded, and passed.

New Members/New Pilots

Chris Finn: Welcome and safe flying!

Safety block

No new safety discussions

Unfinished Business

(County) TRAC road sign: no new news

TRAC Runway work is complete! Much thanks to the county and our Striping team Don Riek, Wayne Mosier, John Heald, Vince Cesario, Roger Baker, and Bob Boetger. We passed around a Thank You card and had everyone present sign it so we could give it to the county officials.

We are looking for some design ideas for the TRAC shed door and some volunteers to replace it when it cools off. We are also considering replacing the shed with a storage container but more discussions to come.

Mike Gutzmer is donating a new Sig Kougar to be raffled off for the club, tickets are \$5.00 each don't miss your chance to win this beautiful airplane



We discussed motions presented last month to raise initiation fees, dues, and rejoin fees.

Motion 1 was to increase the Initiation fee to \$100.00, increase the rejoin fee to \$50.00, and leave the dues at \$100.00 per person and \$150.00 for families.

Motion 2 was to increase the Initiation fee to \$75.00, up the rejoin fee to \$35.00 and up the dues to \$125.00 per adult, \$185.00 for families, and \$35.00 for Juniors <18 (Init. fee waived for Juniors).

New Business

TRAC will be hosting a Charity/Open House: Saturday Nov. 20 @ 9:00 am (We plan to serve lunch, but not a buffet)

TRAC will be having a Fall Swap Meet Saturday Dec. 4 @ 8:00 am Vendors can setup their table starting @ 7:30 am

A reminder: Devin Allen has gotten the classifieds section of the TRAC website updated so if you have anything you would like to sell send him a picture, short description, and your contact info in email to him and he will post it for you. You can also link you items from Facebook MarketPlace, Craigslist, etc.

Show-and-Tell

Don Riek brought out his Finished Hobbico HobbyStar 60 Trainer 72.5"

Adjournment 12:20 p.m.



At the field with Devin

I'm with Bob Peiser...

So Bob how long have you been in the hobby?

Since 1940

What attracted you to the hobby?

Airplanes, World War 2 Airplanes

Did you have an instructor teach you to fly RC or were you self-taught

Self taught

What was the first plane you ever flew remote control

Breezie Jr. with a .049 engine bought it from Graves Hobby in Orlando in 1959, back then you not only had to build the airplane but you had to also build the transmitter and receiver

What was your favorite plane you ever owned and why

Erradicts I sold it to Ed Brown and he still flies it

What was your least favorite plane and why

Didn't really have any

Do you have any planes with a special sentiment?

John Heald gave me an Xvert and it still works like a champ

What did or do you do for a living

Production Control Manager for Hercules Electronics, we built the jammers for the Wild Weasel Aircraft

What are some of your other hobbies or interests?

Professional Archer, hand guns, air guns, air rifles, I competed in air gun target competitions and won a national championship in Minneapolis, Minnesota, I also won a national championship for most aerobatic in Hatfield Pennsylvania

Did you serve in the Military?

12 years, 4 in the Navy and 8 in the Airforce last 4 in the Air Force was working for the CIA

Are you a gas, nitro, or electric guy what do you prefer and why?

Electric 100% I once had a Nitro plane and my wife just had new carpet put in and I hung the plane up and oil dripped out onto her new carpet and that got me into electric 100%

Are you more of a builder or a flyer?

Both

If you could have any RC plane what would it be? Tell me the model, what power and why?

I would like to get into Turbine Jets even though we can't fly them here...probably a F-86 Sabre

For those new to the hobby what are some recommendations you would make to them

Buy locally if possible support our local hobby shops because they are going away fast

Who in the club do you think is one of the best pilots?

Scott

What would you like to see more of in the hobby?

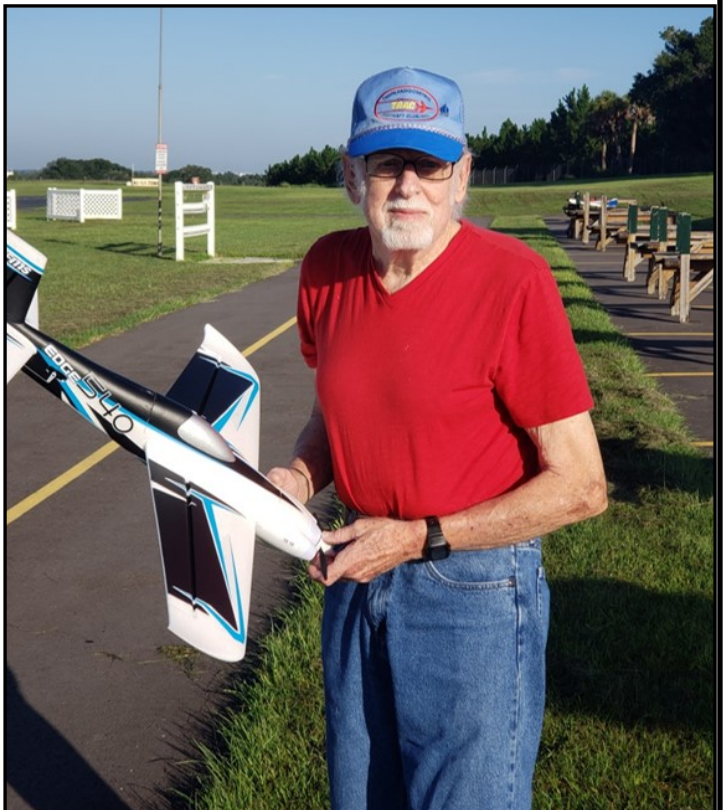
More young people

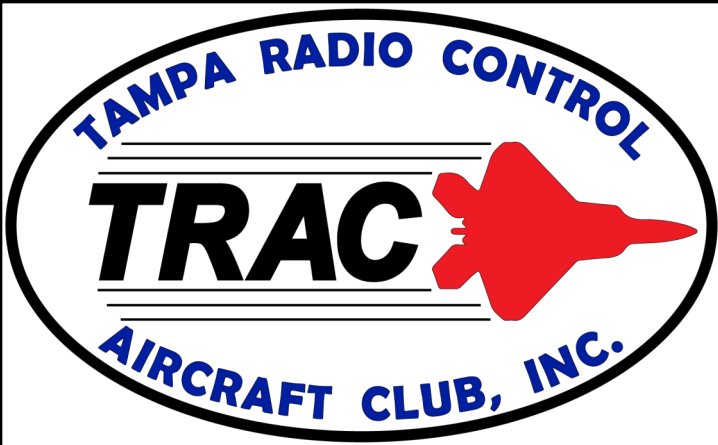
What would you like to see less in the hobby?

Less federal regulation

Do you have a Motto or philosophy you try to live your life by?

Wakeup every morning



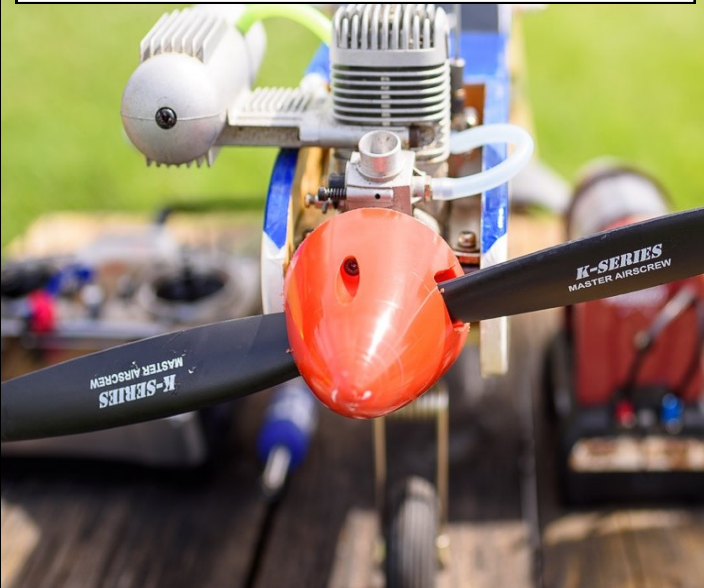


Interested in R/C?



Try your hand at R/C flying with a
Discovery Flight! (Always Free!)

Bring friends and family members to
the field to enjoy your club!
NOTE: We will observe current Hills-
borough County COVID-19 protocols.



TRAC Proudly Presents Our 28th Annual Open House

Saturday, November 20

Flying begins at 9:00AM

All are welcome; AMA pilot fly-in

FREE Entry!!! \$5 Lunch

(Sorry, No Turbine Aircraft)

DIRECTIONS TO THE FIELD

The field is located at 7208 Taylor Rd, just north
of Interstate 4, Exit 10. Take Exit 10 off I-4,
head north on CR 579 for approx. 1 mile;

Turn right onto Pruetz Rd;

Turn right onto Taylor Rd

Look for the **TRAC** sign just past Bing Park.

GPS coordinates N 28 01.061' W 082 17.622'

Please bring a few extra dollars
for a Thanksgiving donation to
Metropolitan Ministries.

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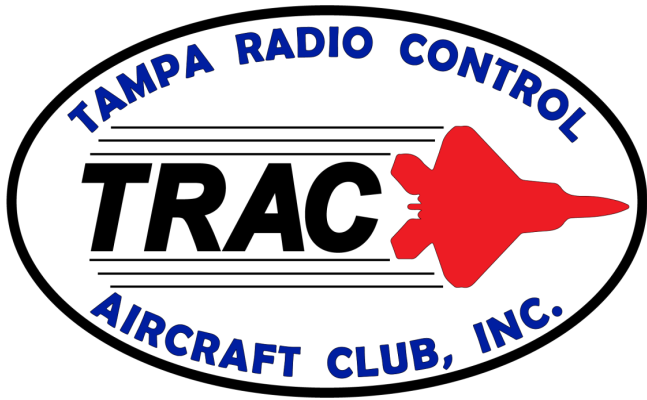
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Registration Starts at 8:30AM

Saturday, November 20



<http://www.tractampa.com/>



FALL SWAP MEET

R/C Airplanes, Boats, Cars,
& Helicopters

All types of models, modelers, and gear are welcome!
We will observe current Hillsborough County COVID-19 protocols.

SATURDAY - DECEMBER 4, 2021

Location: **TRAC** flying field - 7208 Taylor Road, Seffner, Fl

Date: Saturday, December 4 open to the public at **8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.**

\$1.00 Parking Donation per vehicle.

For Vendors, the gates open at 7:30 AM. Swap spaces are \$5.00 each.
Each vendor will receive general admission, and a 15' X 20' swap space.

Limited table space available - first come, first tabled!

TRAC members pay \$5.00 per swap space after the first \$5.00 in sales,
with a current **TRAC** membership card.

For info, call: **Bob Boetger** (813) 781-6246

Details about **TRAC**, and a map:

<http://www.tractampa.com/>

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The field is located at **7208 Taylor Rd**, just north of I-4, off Exit 10

- Take Exit 10 off I-4, head North on County Rd 579 for 1 mile
- Turn East (right) onto Pruett Road
- Turn South (right) onto Taylor Road
- Look for the **TRAC** sign.

(Field is next to Bing Park, South of park)

GPS coordinates N 28 01.061' W 082 17.622'

Wingspan trainer with an O.S. .65 LA Engine



Devin Allen brought out his Phoenix Models Focke Wulf FW-190 55" Wingspan with a Saito .72 Golden Knight Engine



Upcoming Events

- TRAC - Club Meeting at Field, Saturday, November 13, at 11:00AM**
- TRAC - Charity/Open House Event, Saturday, November 20, at 9:00AM**
- TRAC - Fall Swap Meet, Saturday, December 4, at 8:00AM**
- TRAC - Club Meeting at Field, Saturday, December 11, at 11:00AM**
- TRAC - Club Meeting at Field, Saturday, January 8, at 11:00AM**



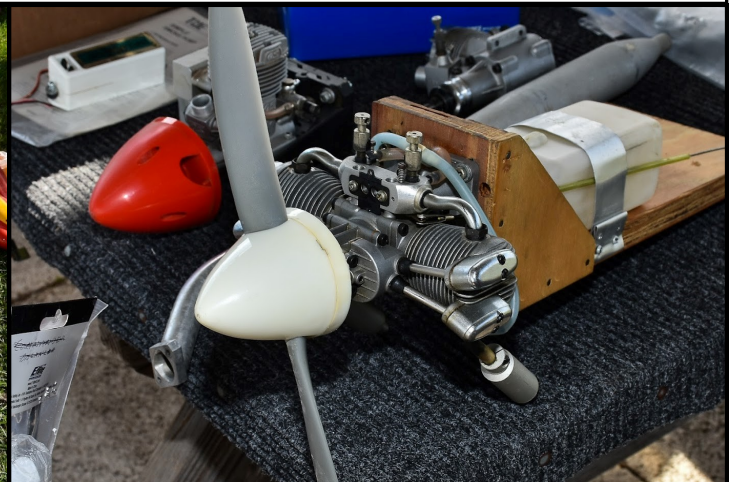
In loving memory of Art Werner

1927—2021

A great pilot and a great friend to us all.

Thanks to everyone who came out for the auction of Art's donated gear...

Art would have loved it!



Safe Flying
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