

# TAILSPINNERS

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## FLIGHT LOG FOR THE JANUARY MILE HI RC MEETING

### BOARD MEETING MINUTES - Dec. 28, 2004

Attendance: George Kerr, Randall Eaker, Jerry Warrington, Adam Bryant

1. Approve minutes - approved
2. Treasurers Report
  - a. Checkbook balance \$x.
  - b. Investment report – Ameritrade Securities total \$x. Return on investments since 9/7/04 was \$x for an annual return of approximately 34.8%!
3. Membership report – 147 members
4. Field Acquisition report
  - a. Ridge View Academy
    - i. George received a donation from an individual including a building board (magnetic), field box, 3 transmitters, and receivers.
5. Kinkos charge account needs updating. Has this been done? No.
6. Intro Pilot Program – add new instructors? Who? How many?
  - a. Frank Scharnell III, Marvin Sanders, Denny Edwardson, Ric Emerson.
  - b. Has it been sent in? No, Jerry will do before leaving on vacation.
7. Club Re-Charter – Randall will send
  - a. Leader Club Award – George needs to take several pictures proving that we have posted the appropriate safety guidelines at the fields.
  - b. Intro Pilots – Jerry will send.
8. Investment Policy – Tabled for this meeting.
9. FY 2005 Events
  - a. Sanction Applications
  - b. Unsanctioned events
    - i. Polar Fly – January 1.
    - ii. Cross Country?
10. FY 2005 Budget – approved as-is at December meeting.
11. Training Program – Meet with instructors (and board) in January
  - a. Set date.
  - b. Discuss standardization of training, new and more instructors, instructor certification.
12. Meeting Gift Certificate raffles
13. Program this month
  - a. Lynn Boss and the Control Line Club
14. Future Board Meeting
  - a. January 25<sup>th</sup>
  - b. Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>
  - c. Mar. 29<sup>th</sup>
15. February Club meeting – February 1<sup>st</sup>

### GENERAL MEETING MINUTES - Jan. 4, 2005

No general club meeting was held in January due to inclement weather.

## === END OF MINUTES FOR THE JANUARY MEETING ===

### FEBRUARY MEETING

The February meeting will be held at the South Branch of the Aurora Public Library at 7:00 pm on February 1, 2005.

The program for the February meeting will be a display of several control line aircraft. Come to the meeting and take a look at this other facet of our hobby!

### MARCH MEETING

The March meeting will be held at the Ridge View Academy on March 1, 2005.

Tentative program for this meeting is a presentation by the Ridge View Academy US FIRST Robotics team.

If the gate is closed, press the button and when prompted state your name and state that you are with Mile Hi RC and are coming in for the club meeting. When you get to the main building, you will have to sign in, turn in your car keys, and get a visitors badge. They will then direct you to the meeting room. Come a little early to get through the security routine.

RIDGE VIEW ACADEMY IS A NO SMOKING FACILITY. SMOKING IS NOT ALLOWED ANYWHERE ON THE PROPERTY.

### PREZ SEZ!

February 2005  
George Kerr  
President 2003/2005

“What kind of club would this club be if everyone in it, were just like me”(Al Duffy)  
What can I do that would help make the club a better one?

A new calendar year is upon us. Although it is winter, it is time to start looking forward to the upcoming flying season.

Volunteers needed! The club is in need of some volunteer help. It is not difficult or time consuming, just needs to be done. Among the volunteers we need are, Flying Safety Committee Chair (everyone in the club is a safety officer, but we need someone to coordinate the whole safety program), Contest Committee Chair, Social Committee Chair, Contest Director and Event Chair (can be one or two people) for the Pluckrose, Dawn Patrol, and Aeroworks events. More new student instructors are needed as well, so if you think you would want to help train new students, please see Ric Emerson, Marvin Sanders, or Denny Edwardson.

This looks to be shaping up to be a very good flying season with lots of good club activities and programs. It should be an exciting year at Mile Hi RC.

Programs: I have been trying to have a program of some sort at every meeting. I have been mostly successful, but missed one meeting I think. Do you have something you would like to present to the club? The program can be anything aviation related, and should be only 15 or 20 minutes long. Do you have a special building skill you could share with the members? How about a covering skill? Do you belong to aviation related clubs outside of RC? Would that be of interest to the rest of the club members? If you have any program that you would like to present, or a program that you would like to see, please let me know. Everyone in the club has something interesting they can present to give to club. Don't be shy, we are an easy bunch to talk to.

That is enough rambling for this month. I look forward to a great flying season and hope to see you all out at the field.

George

### TRUTHISMS

from the Space City RC Club

\* Always try to keep the number of landings you make equal to the number of takeoffs you've made.

- \* There are three simple rules for making a smooth landing. Unfortunately no one knows what they are.
- \* You start with a bag full of luck and an empty bag of experience. The trick is to fill the bag of experience before you empty the bag of luck.
- \* Good judgment comes from experience. Unfortunately, the experience usually comes from bad judgment.
- \* Remember, gravity is not just a good idea—it's the law and it's not subject to repeal.
- \* It's always a good idea to keep the pointy end going forward as much as possible.
- \* In the ongoing battle between objects made of aluminum going hundreds of miles per hour and the ground going zero, the ground has yet to loose.

From Space City Crash  
Space City RC Club  
Mike Crofts, editor  
Houston TX

## FLYING IN THE COLD

from the Twin City Flyers

Now that the cold is here again, here are a few reminders about flying in freezing weather.

1. Keep the batteries in your flight box, ni-start, and radio equipment well charged. The cold cuts back on the efficiency of batteries. They don't hold their charge as long as in summer. Leave your radio, flight box, etc., inside your car or somewhere warm when not in use (as long as you leave your car running like almost everyone does).
2. Switch to a higher nitro content in winter (15%). The engine will run better because of the higher operating temperature. Keep your fuel warm too, if possible.
3. Keep your airplane in a warm place. It usually is the difference between getting your engine started and ready to fly or just going for a nice drive. A trick to try—set your airplane under the engine of your car if you have the ground clearance to do so. If you keep your airplane in your car with the skis on, make sure when you bring it out you immediately push it around in the snow until the skis are cold, otherwise the snow sticks to the skis and the airplane won't glide well.
4. After you get your engine running, leave the ni-start or plug lead on for a little while. Let the engine run until it warms up. You don't need to rev it up or stab at the throttle. Just let it run for a few minutes. You'll probably have to set the idle speed up slightly higher, even after the warmup period.
5. In the winter, you can also connect an exhaust tube to the muffler in order to keep the fuel from freezing to your airplane. If fuel freezes to the muffler, it is difficult to remove until you warm up the airplane. Then it runs all over. You'll probably have to richen the engine some, but it's nice having a clean airplane to take home. For tubing, I use a piece of clear plastic fuel line that can be purchased in any auto store. A hose clamp will hold the tubing on, and to keep the clamp from coming loose due to vibration, Hot Stuff or epoxy works well.

from the Twin City Flyers Newsletter  
Dan and Yvonne Twomey, editors  
Festus MO

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### Mile Hi R/C Official Wear - Winter Jackets

Prices are as follows: S-XL \$60.00; 2XL \$61.50; 3XL \$63.00; 4X\$64.50; 5XL \$66.00 Prices do not include tax.

Winter jackets have your first name and AMA number on the front and the club logo on the back. The jackets appear to run on the small size so we recommend ordering one size larger than you normally wear.

Do you have other embroidery needs, Contact Phil, He can take care of all of your customized embroidery needs.

**Contact Phillip Kenney**  
**(303)369-7044**  
**pkenney17@sprintmail.com**

### Mile Hi R/C Official Wear

- ✚ Hats: Summer Edition (Mesh on top for venting) Blue, Club Logo up front \$12.00 Winter Edition (full twill) Blue with Club Logo up front \$12.00
- ✚ T-Shirts Small, Medium, Large X-Large \$12.00
- ✚ Summer Jackets \$53.00
- ✚ 3" Patches \$5.00
- ✚ All Items sold at Club Meeting!!

**Contact Bob Bergin**  
**(303) 693-9727.**

### Editor's note

My email address for any submissions is [adamdb@juno.com](mailto:adamdb@juno.com). If you have a new plane picture, a building tip, an item to sell, or anything else that might be of interest to your fellow club members, please let me know! Also, if you have sold any of the items or want to update any of the items currently shown in the classifieds, please let me know so I can make the appropriate changes.

These local businesses support our club through donations and discounts on material for the club. Please show your appreciation of by giving them your business.

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	<p><b>Collins Hardware</b>  18800 E. Hampden Ave.  Aurora, CO 80013  <b>(303) 680-6765</b></p>
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