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THE PREZ SEZ: Bill Sebesta

On Saturday, November 17, a group of club members performed the chores necessary to prepare the club flying field for the winter. Benches and picnic tables were placed in the trailer. The hole in the side of the trailer was patched and railroad ties were stacked to provide added support for the front end.

Although the field is open for flying all year long, members are asked not to use the access road or field when the ground is soft enough to be damaged.

The annual AGS Auction will be held at the next meeting on Friday evening, December 7. Bring all the goodies you wish to convert to cash and vice versa.

REMINDER:

At the request of the Hooper School janitor, the regular meeting starting time has been changed to 7:30 pm.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

On November 13, a meeting of the Board of Directors was held at the Skylark Diner. Items discussed and decisions made were as follows:

- 1. It was decided not to post the club flying field this winter.
- 2. The 428th lengthy discussion of the club lawnmower was held. It was decided to assess whether the tractor part of the mower was worth saving.

A final decision on the lawnmower's destiny will be made at the next board meeting.

3. Art Riegal will be the contest director for the AGS 1974 contest. Bill Johnson will assist. Events will be Pattern and Stand-Off Scale. A sanction application will be submitted requesting our traditional weekend on August 17 and 18, 1974.

The possibility of having some other organization take over operation of the concession stand during the contest will be explored.

- 4. Because of poor attendance by contestants in the past and safety problems at the Tri Cities Airport, the board decided not to recommend holding a Pylon race in 1974.
- 5. Several other items which were discussed briefly included alternate flying sites, club sponsored glider activities, meeting programs and other club activities for the 1974 season.

WANTED TO BUY:

Anyone having a stop watch for sale, please contact Don Leaf. Phone 754-4156

DONT FORGET

THE ANNUAL AGS AUCTION at the next meeting, Friday, December 7. Bring all of your electro-aeronautical miscellany to be auctioned off by our famous local graduate of the L.A. (Speed) Riggs school of auctioneering Don Harrington.

PROGRAM NOTE:

To find out how Don Leaf gets such good finishes on his models, come to the January 4 meeting. Don will describe his finishing techniques including the use of light weight fiberglass and Superpoxy.

AMA NEWS:

The following items are from the November AMA monthly mailing.

AMA President John Clemens is at home recovering from his recent operations.

The AMA is currently offering at the annual FAI meetings in Paris, to host a combined Scale and Indoor world championships at Lakehurst Naval Air Station next July 1-7. Included would be open international events for RC Pylon Racing and Thermal soaring. The project was approved in early November by AMA's Executive Council and now needs only approval by the FAI to proceed.

The event would also include the annual national championships of the Society of Antique Modelers (SAM), which is already scheduled for Lakehurst on July 2-4. The SAM meet will feature Old Timer events, both pure Free Flight and also some with RC assist. The week long package, encompassing so many interests is being talked of now as the AerOLYMPICS.

For the 1974 AMA Nationals, one strong site possibility has emerged. This is at Lake Charles, Louisiana, about 200 miles west of the Mississippi and roughly half way between New Orleans and Houston. The Site is the former Chennault Air Force Base, now belonging to the Lake Charles community since the military moved out.

Current thinking concerning Lake Charles is for dates in the range of August 5-15. There is a possibility of an expanded Nats schedule encompassing ten days instead of one week. The idea is to stretch out some activities and to add others. RC Soaring and Quarter Midget pylon racing, for example, might be added.