



# THE **RCRC** NEWSLETTER



... an AMA Award of Excellence Club!

*Proudly serving the Huntsville community at the Captain Trey Wilbourn Model Airplane Field.*

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Hard to believe we're half way through another year. I'm definitely enjoying the long days and warm weather. Be sure to stay hydrated and protect yourself from sunburn. It doesn't take long to get burned during the mid day hours.

I want to thank all of you who attended and helped with the Club Day/Huntsville Appreciation day – especially the CD John Pieczynski. We had an excellent turn out of flyers as well as many interested spectators. The AMA trailer was a big hit and Basil Cooper received an award presented to him by our district VP Chris Dixon.

Let's continue to have events like this one!

Happy Flying!  
Bill

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## June 2014 RCRC BOD Meeting Minutes

Board meeting was conducted on June 3rd at 6:00 pm.

Discussion topic included:

- the work being done to repair the runway and stripe the parking lot.
- new area for multi-blade aircraft.
- Big Bird event is scheduled for June 14th.
- discussed how to better boost the attendance for our club events.
- Boy Scouts set to visit our field on Saturday, June 8th. John to aid in training new pilots from this boy scout group.
- discussed the possibility of enabling members to vote online.
- discussed the need to get our club information to the Huntsville Chamber of Commerce website to entice new members.
- Warbird event set for July 19th.

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I want to take this time to thank everyone for the success of the city of Huntsville Appreciation/Club Day 2014. After all it was your Day.

We had 45 registered pilots, a lot of planes, few mishaps, beautiful weather, and several distinguished guests.

Kris Dixon, District V Vice President, along with two AMA representatives, brought the AMA trailer equipped with five flight simulators.

Robert "Hoot" Gibson, a retired Captain and Naval Aviator in the United States Navy, and a retired NASA astronaut. He brought a plane and flew.

Al Kretz, a former Top Gun competitor and international scale competitor, flew one of his scale planes.

We had four door prizes, and three out of the four were won by young people; Cameron Fears, youth member, won the ARF war bird plane. Ron Lamon, a club member, won the Champ RTF plane. Conrad Core, youth spectator, won the mini quad copter. Kenney Mundt, youth member, won the Duet RTF plane.



I want to thank Dan Baldwin, who took it upon himself to bring and serve food free of charge. He also went out of his way to get a county food permit. Dan supplied the Boston Butt, and other members supplied the remainder of the food. I know that all of us enjoyed this excellent meal.

I also want to thank the members that helped me during this event.

Paul Webb manned the sign in table and kept things running. Gene Hetherington helped set up and take down. John Williams helped set up and take down, but most of all, he helped with the trainer system, letting new pilots, and some older ones, fly. Also to Bill Mitchell, who helped set up and take down, and showed pilots and spectators what FPV (First Person Viewing) is all about.

Recognition also goes to Basil Cooper, who received an award for donations he has made to the AMA scholarship fund. Without donations from AMA members, as well as other donors, students would not receive scholarships to continue their education.

But most of all to the members that went out of their way to talk to and show spectators what this hobby is all about.

Thank You All,

CD – John



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**TO:**

**2014 RCRC EVENTS**

	June 17th	6:00 PM	RCRC Membership Meeting	Bill Mitchell	256-975-5687
	July 1st	6:00 PM	RCRC Board Meeting	Bill Mitchell	256-975-5687
Big Bird June 14, 2014 TBD					
War Bird/Wounded Warrior July 19, 2014 TBD					
BPA Pattern August 8-10, 2014 Gary Courtney					
AMA Pattern September 12-14, 2014 Jon Lowe					
Toys for Tots November 7-8, 2014 Bob Walls					