

# Rio Grande



# R/C Flyers

# The Fly Paper

**September 2011  
News Letter  
A.M.A. Chapter # 3723**

### *Rio Grande R/C Flyers Meeting –7 September 2011*

- Call to Order 7:00 pm
- Visitors & Guests?
- Approve Minutes as published in the newsletter. –vote motion passed
- Treasurers and Field Marshal Report – Roger suggested we give Bob Barry a hand for digging the post holes for the sign, and we have \$1740.00 in the bank.
- Safety Report – Bill , all is well
- **Old Business**
  - o SMASH Pylon Race 20 Aug– Bob won
  - o Field Sign – installed
  - o Safety Cages – sand bags Xavi , Javier no longer has access to the sand bag , we need to find an alternate solution to hold down the safety cages.

### **October Meeting Notice**

The October meeting will be held on Wednesday October 5th at 7:00 PM. The meeting will be at Rudy's restaurant, located at 209 W. Nolana In Pharr. The club usually arrives at 6 PM for dinner with the meeting beginning at 7 PM.



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· **New Business**

- o Memberships after 15 June ½ price? Vote passed to hold dues at 30.00 for people joining after June 1<sup>st</sup>.
- o George Haines Memorial (Tri-Club Competition) events , the one minute mission with a loop, an event called land, and the bombs away.
- o Any other new business? No new business.

· **Announcements**

- o Jim Lemen and Jim Bull passed away.

· Next Meeting – Rudy’s Oct 5, 2011

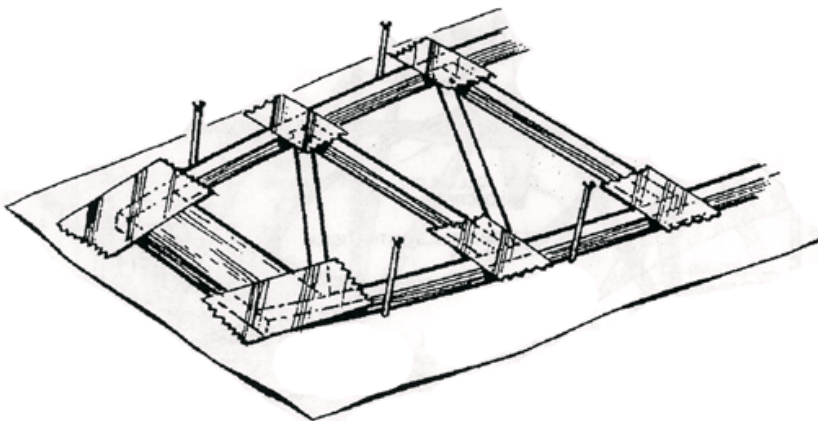
· Adjourn: 7:20 pm

**Calendar of Events**



- ♦ SMASH hosting 2011 Tri-Club Competition – Sunday, Nov 13 rain date 20th.

**Tips & Tricks**



The usual technique of building two identical sides by building one above the other usually results in the sides requiring careful separation with a razor blade. This can be prevented by placing pieces of Scotch Magic Mending Tape over each glue joint, thus

—Ken Simpson, Cedarburg, Wisconsin

## Updated September 10, 2011

# 2011 George Hanes Memorial

(hosted by S.M.A.S.H.)

Points for all three Events will be awarded for first through last place. The number of places and the points will be adjusted to reflect the total number of contestants entered in the GHM. Ties will split the points equally between the number of tied places.

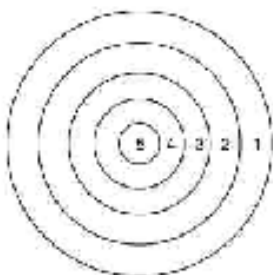
PLACE	POINTS
1 <sup>ST</sup>	30
2 <sup>ND</sup>	28
3 <sup>RD</sup>	26

Once a contestant is entered to fly on a given team, that contestant is automatically entered in all three events. I.E., a contestant may not drop out of the competition. If for any reason a contestant is unable to fly, they receive a DNF for those events. At the discretion of the host club, a contestant may be warned and/or disqualified from the competition for practices generally deemed to be unsafe. All DQ or DNF contestants receive a score of 0 (zero).

The average number of points for all three events will determine the champion.

All contestants must be members in good standing of the AMA, and will be expected to provide their AMA number.

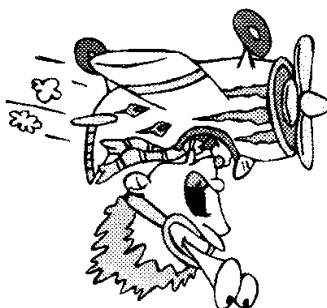
Contestants must use the same plane for all events. If a plane is considered unfit to fly, it must be replaced with a similar plane, if possible. For example, a Stik could not generally be replaced by an electric foamie. If a similar plane is not available, the closest type plane available must be used.



The phrase "target area" is used several times in these instructions. "Target area" refers to the ringed target painted at the center of the runway with its center at the center of the runway and its outer most ring at the edge of the runway. It is approximately fifty feet in diameter.

All contestants are expected to compete in a fair and sportsman-like manner. Although the winning club earns bragging rights for a year, the real purpose of this competition is to promote friendship and good will among the valley clubs. S.M.A.S.H. hopes that a good time is had by all.

It is not intended nor is it possible for this document to cover all possible situations that might arise during the event. Such matters will be dealt with by S.M.A.S.H. staff in as fair and even handed a manner as possible.



## Rio Grande Flyers and Guests Field Etiquette

- **Speed limit - 20 mph or less from the Highway to the field and back ALWAYS.**
- Bench Tables used for Plane Assembly and Social Gatherings
  - No Fueling
  - No Starting of Engines
    - Start engines outside building area.
  - Not Storage of your equipment or planes
    - Vacate bench - No camping out - Let others use it.
  - Leave bench tables clean.
- Pit Area - front of the Double Yellow lines & behind pilot stations.
  - Only pilots and helpers are allowed.
- Starting Benches
  - Used for starting planes
    - Clear the area after use
    - Extensive engine tuning & Break-in – Consider using the area behind the shed.
- Fueling
  - Use a spare tank to collect overflow.
  - Minimize fuel leakages on the asphalt
- Clean up after yourself
  - We do not have a trash company pick up our trash so:
    - Everyone take YOUR garbage home.
- Smoking—Be considerate of others
  - Position yourselves downwind in the pits.
  - A coffee can has been placed on the fence for disposal of smoking materials.

This is our flying field. We are all responsible for keeping the field clean, following the speed limit, flying guidelines, and sharing good times and stories.