



# TOUCH & GO

AMA CHAPTER #1600

April, 2016

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**The May meeting will be in the Kokopelli Room at 7:00 PM, May 3, 2016. This will be the last meeting for the summer. The May board meeting will be held in the Kokopelli Room at View Point May 17, 2016 at 7:00 PM.**

**Keep an eye out for rattlesnakes this time of the year.**

**Please make sure you do not bypass Flood Control's lock at the front gate.**

+ **Safety:** There was an incident where a member took off across the taxi way and then proceeded to almost hit another member because he was doing aerobatics in the wrong place. They are to be done over the berm and not over the runway! Check your dual rates before taking off and look both ways before coming out of the pits. Hand launching may be done from the runway but far enough out so as not to interfere with another pilot.

+ **Camac:** Wings Over Arizona this weekend. EF-1 race 4/24. CAM field 4/29, 30, 5/1. .

+ **Sound Committee: OK**

+ **Old Business:** The pit area will be recoated and restriped shortly to try and correct the deterioration of the surface material. The staging tables will be refinished with an epoxy coating. The road has been re-graded and is in great shape.

+ **New business:** The pattern contest needs some help with registration.

Break

Raffle

**The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM.**

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**Club Meeting April 1, 2016**

+ **Members Present:** Gary Porter, John Mangino, Paul Goldsmith.

+ **Guest/New Members:** Ronald Gross

+ The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

+ The minutes were read and approved.

+ **Treasurer's report:** Steve could not make the meeting.

+ **Membership:** 203 members.

**Board Meeting 4/19/2016**

+ **Members Present:** Gary Porter, John Mangino, Steve Ross, Paul Goldsmith, Vance Giovanni, Jim Compton, Joe Miele, Jerry Morescki, Gary Switala.

+ **Board Meeting minutes:** Read and accepted.

+ **Treasurer's Report:** Steve has been under the weather and has been unable to update the finances. He said he will be up to speed shortly. Glad he is on the road back to good health.

+ **Membership:** There are 204 members as of today.

+ **Safety:** We had trouble with the same pilot as last time. He will be spoken to again with the idea he is running out of mulligans.

+ **Events:** EF-1 race this Sunday. May Fly 4/29, 30-5/1, CAM Field in Sedona. Beat the Heat is 7/23-24 in Flagstaff. Pattern Contest 4/30- 5/1 at our field. Armed Forces Day Eloy Free Flight 5/21.

+ **Sound:** No problems.

+ **Old Business:** Pattern event 4/30-5/1. 5 signed up so far. Gary Porter found some plastic inserts for the staging tables and the money to buy them was approved. About \$75 in cost. The tables tops are half done and look great. We will reimburse him for consumable items.

+ **New Business:** There was a suggestion to have a member of the month in the newsletter. One board member wanted to put the officers pictures on the web site. Why ruin a good thing. There was a suggestion to get a wagon from Harbor Freight and modify it to facilitate moving the staging tables when necessary for work in the pits. It was approved. There was a proposal by Vance to have Sid Fried come and do a class at the field on aircraft maneuvers and recovery techniques. This will probably happen next year in the fall. He will come to a meeting, make a presentation and try to see if there is enough interest in it. This is not just aerobatics but a program to help you understand why your airplane does what it does and how to correct deficiencies. There will be a link in a future newsletter to help you decide whether you are interested in this or not.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.**

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**From the President:**

Welcome to May 2016

It's really starting to warm up outside, the nights are cool, but that will change soon enough. That said, time to nag somewhat and make sure you bring plenty of water to the field. If you have to go out and retrieve an aircraft make sure you let someone know where you are going and if possible, exchange cell numbers so if you get into trouble you have someone you can reach out to for help or advise (I have said this all before, but it bears repeating).

We are having the infield area resealed with some newer material that should help with all the decay that we have seen in that area. The infield has a lot of foot traffic and with chairs and tables being moved, takes a lot of punishment. We approved this to be done, hopefully it will be done the in the first part of May. We also are

putting caps on the bottoms of all the tables so that should help negate some of the abuse too.

Wings over Arizona was a good event, the weather was good. A lot of people who came out Saturday didn't return on Sunday. That meant that those who did had the sky to themselves.

The next event will be the Pattern event April 30th and May 1st. If you haven't watched a pattern event, you should check it out. Flying a Pattern aircraft will teach you some skills you didn't know you needed! Those planes fly very smooth, go where you point them and follow every command. So you can see when you move the stick even though you didn't think you did. Look at the caliber of pilots and planes if you can the event, check for the event on the club web page, [www.azmodelaviators.com](http://www.azmodelaviators.com)

Know that we are not having meetings during the summer, this May's meeting will be the last one until September. Just not enough people attending to warrant the time for the meeting. Board meetings however will continue all summer as we prepare for our next flying and contest season.

In a final note, it seems that maybe some people haven't read this letter last month, so I'll repeat myself about taking off out of the pit area rather than taxiing out to the center line and taking off, making all of the announcements as you go.

Remember that this type and style is a MAJOR safety concern. If I see this occur and it happens to be you, prepare for an earful.

With that, thanks, and have fun flying!

Gary

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**For Sale**

**Saito FA-80 (old) \$100**

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**See or call John Mangino 480-980-1386**  
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Several electric/RC planes for sale from my collection:

Hobby Lobby's "Miss Two" High wing trainer with upgraded motor.

Hobby Lobby's Super Miss trainer with ailerons and upgraded motor.

Easy Star foam powered glider with Radian wings and upgraded (hot) motor.

Several "built from plans " oldtimers" that are all excellent flyers.

Two hand built, contest quality hand launched gliders, trimmed and ready to fly.

Several beautiful rubber powered scale models built by a master modeler.

Many more to look at while you are here. I have about 30 models. Most are for sale.

The "old timers" are contest proven winners in most cases.

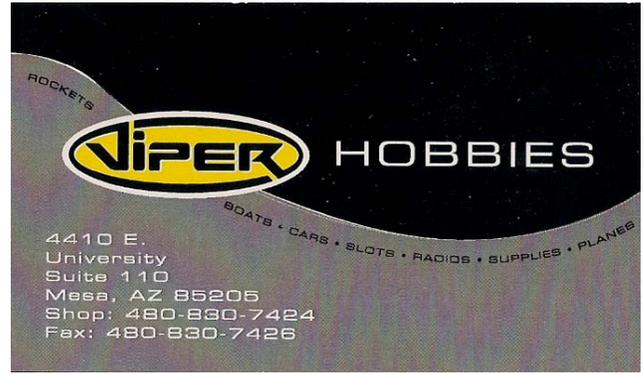
Prices not "cheap" but are very reasonable!

I plan on including the ESC with each plane if already installed. All you will need is a receiver and battery.

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Below is a note from Choni Irvine regarding the loss of his wife Lynn.

Dear Friends,  
Our family just  
wanted to share  
with you the  
passing of our Precious  
Lynn. We were all  
with her and it  
was very peaceful.  
We all will miss  
her but will be  
comforted with  
our friendships and  
wonderful memories  
Choni

To thank you for  
your kindness and sympathy  
at a time when it was  
deeply appreciated

and Irvine  
Family

