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Meetings are held on odd numbered months after the Monthly Contest at Southfork Ranch. On even numbered months we meet at Lake Highlands Recreation Center located at 9940 White Rock Trail (White Rock Trail at Church). Club dues are \$20 per year payable to Perry Dunlap. Contributions to the newsletter are encouraged. Visit our Web site at: www.slnt.org

January 2007

From The Prez

By Jim Taylor

I hope that all of you had a Merry Christmas and that Santa Claus brought you the toys you were hoping for. I wish each of you and your families a Happy New Year.

Since I am not an active contest flyer let me give a brief history of my modeling and aviation background.

I have been building models since my early teens; they included rubber, solid, U-control, free flight, and tow line gliders. As a teenager, I worked for Model Aircraft Laboratories (MAL, now located in Irving) cutting balsa sheets. The Korean War interrupted my completion of my first RC; equipped with a vacuum tube receiver (RK61) with a rubber band escapement. I began flying while in high school, planes such as a PT 19 and a Mooney Mite. For various reasons my flying and model building took a back seat for many years, however, about 25 years ago I began flying sailplanes out of Caddo Mills which led me to my current interest in model sailplanes.

With the 1st of the month occurring on Monday, this month, our meeting was held before the contest. As a result attendees to the meeting did not have the newsletter or contest results to stimulate conversation. However, I suspect we found things to kick around and will be reported on in the February Newsletter. This will happen once or twice a year. If it happens on even months it makes little difference since we meet at Southfork after the contest on those months.

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My desire for this year is to get more members, not only in number but participating in club activities. There is already a need existing for some one to volunteer to CD and plan the TNT for next year. Henry Bostick has done this task for as long as I can remember and he has indicated that it is time for someone else to step in to do the job. I am of the opinion that one person supported by two or three folks will be needed to accomplish what Henry has been doing. Who will step up and take on this opportunity?

I am open to ideas and thoughts that you may have concerning the club. Let me hear from you. You can email me at AdelleandJim@aol.com. Be sure and put something in the subject line that will clue me that it is not SPAM.

Hope to see you at Southfork Ranch Sunday, January 14, for the competition.

By the way, Hobby Town, at the corner of Walnut Hill and Hwy 75, will give SLNT members 10% discount off of retail on any purchases. All you need to do is announce that you are a member of SLNT

January Contest By Arnold Claycomb - CD

The January contest is a Pro-Am contest on Sunday, January 14, at South Fork Ranch. The Pilots' meeting is at 9:30 with the first flight starting at 10:00.

Entrance fee is \$5 per flyer with the money divided out between first, second, and third placed teams.

Hope to you all out there!

December Contest By Arnold Claycomb - CD

With the uncertain forecast, we only had 6 brave fliers come out to brave the wind/rain/and the cold. The groups were picked by a hat draw. The flying was fun yet tricky. One could get their 9 minutes if you zinged, but if you zaged you are lucky if you get 5 minutes. In any case, with only 3 groups everyone was guaranteed some money back.

3rd Place: Bill, Bobby
2nd Place: Tim B, Rodney
1st Place: Arnold, Gary

Class A Man on Man By Tim Bennett

The December contest was postponed due to cold on the regularly scheduled date of the 17th. The alternate date, Christmas Eve, saw cold and high winds transitioning to rain. The contest was cancelled.

We will fly the next Class-A scramble at Eastfield College Sunday, January 21. The pilots' meeting will begin at 9:30 with first flights at 10:00 AM. Come on out and join the fun.

Dues Are Due

The dues are \$20 (cheap!) and payable to:

Perry Dunlap
10035 Milltrail Dr
Dallas TX 75238



December contest brave souls

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