



Westside RC Newsletter Nov 2023

Flying Field Location :420 W Wagner Rd, Yukon, OK
73099 Membership Meetings on the second Monday of
each month at the flying field in the warm months.
Location as announced in the cold months

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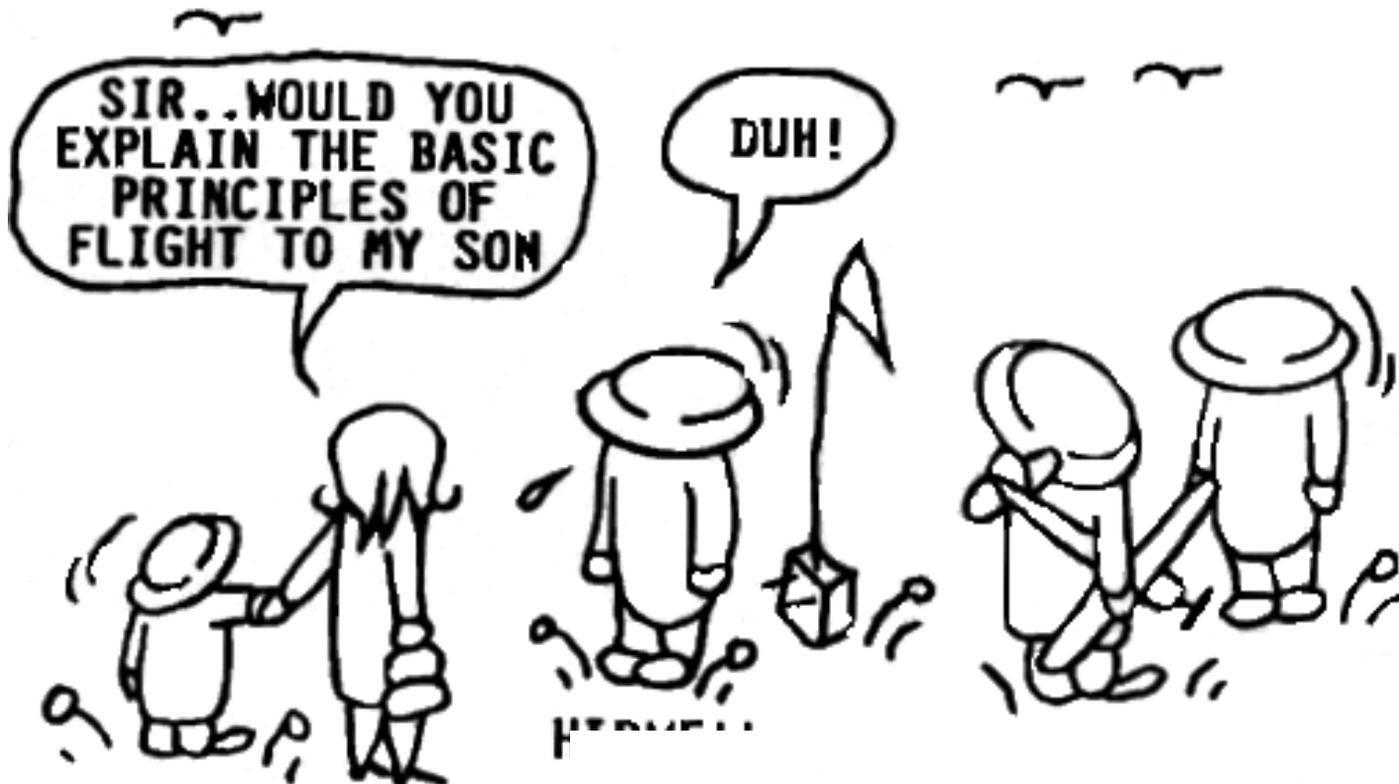
Next Meeting

**Next Meeting Dec 11 at
Interurban Restaurant at
Reno and Mustang Road**

**Order off the menu
Bring Toys for Charity**

**Dinner at 6 pm
Meeting at 7 pm**

Model Humor



President's Notes

Keith Gorrell

We did it! We finally had enough members attend the November meeting to have a quorum so we could take care of some club administrative business.

The first thing on the agenda was nominations for club officers. At the last meeting we had the following people nominated and accepting the nominations. President – Keith Gorrell, Treasurer – James Thomas, Safety Officer – Mike Hankins and Field Officer – Kip Rackley. Nominations were opened and Antonio Cappellar was nominated and accepted the open Vice President position. After discussion, the nominations were closed, and a vote was called on the slate of officers. The slate was approved by acclamation.

The next item on the agenda was amending the bylaws. The first item was changing the fiscal year from January through December to April through March. This change had been discussed for the better part of this past year. A motion was made to accept the change and it was approved unanimously. The biggest change is when to pay your club dues. Dues are now not required to be paid until March 2024. Every current member is getting an additional 3 months of membership. Early payment will also move from October 1st to January 1st. The gate code will be change on April 1st instead of January 1st. Reminders will be sent to everyone early next year to remind you of the change.

The last Bylaw change had to do with voting for members who let their membership lapse back into the club. This process was implemented years ago when the club was going through a rough patch with our neighbors. This hasn't been an issue for a long time and isn't necessary. Our bylaws have a section with a grievance procedure to use if needed. Removing this will also put us back in line with the AMA's desire that all clubs have open membership to promote the hobby. A motion was made to accept the change and it was approved unanimously.

The changes to the bylaws will be incorporated shortly and posted on the club forum. They can be found under the Welcome tab under the PayPal joining link.

Next club meeting, December 11th will be the annual Christmas party. We are meeting at Interurban restaurant on Reno and Mustang Rd. We have the meeting room in the back and dinner will start at 6:00 pm with the meeting beginning at 7:00 pm. The dinner and meeting are open to members and guests, you are responsible for your own and guests' dinner. We will be collecting toys again to donate to the Yukon Fire Department. Please bring an unwrapped toy for a boy or girl (one for each would be nice). Let's try to make it so some kids in need have a nice Christmas.

That's it for this month. Only one more month for the All-Season Flyer. Don't forget to get your flight in. Hope to see you at the party.

**From the Vice President:
Tyler Young**

It's the end of the year and events have dropped to a trickle. The club Black Friday Swap Shop is almost here. Don't forget to stop by and look for your latest treasure.

The only other thing close going on would be our New Years Day Chili Fly on Jan. 1st . More details will be published as we get closer to the date.

There are indoor events at the Exchange Avenue Baptist Church the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month during the winter. The main focus of flying is rubber band powered aircraft; however, R/C is permitted in the afternoon, but the rubber band powered aircraft have priority. We start at 9:00 am and can stay until 4:00 pm. Cost is a donation to the church for letting us use the facility. Stop by and check it out.

More events can be found on the AMA Events calendar. If you know of anything coming up that is not listed here let me know.

**From the Treasurer
James Thomas**

This month we had 2 members rejoin the club. Club membership now stands at 41 adults and 3 youth members. Questions were raised about where the clubs' finances stand. A discussion was had about outstanding expenses for the year and account balance. The club is in a good financial position to start next year.

**If any of your contact info has changed, please
send me an update email
to: westsidercyukon@gmail.com**

**From the Field Marshal
Kip Rackley**

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Fellow Westside Members, here's my take on Westside's field maintenance for November '23!

- ***WSRC Field Equipment*** Like everything our club's field equipment has gotten another year older which includes but not limited to a little more wear and tear on the joints, motor, blades, tires, pulleys, spindles... Sorry I lost my mind a little on that one, oh yeah that sometimes doesn't work as well as it used to either 😊. Both mowers will be cleaned up and will slip into a deep winter hibernation during the next several weeks, their performance for the '23 flying season was exemplary!

Mowing Schedules Done, finished, completed over and Yeeha! Thanks to Ron and Kelsey for mowing the field and parking areas for the last time during our recent Fall work party. Stay tuned to this same field mowing channel for that much anticipated '24 *Field Mowing Schedule*, Sorry about that last stab just being a Debbie downer!

- ***Come On not another Work Party!!***

I can hardly remember the club having three work parties in the same flying season, but we did it this past year! Each session was extremely productive with the last-minute fall party maybe being the best attended of all! I'd like to personally thank each member that attended these sessions as we completed many maintenance projects but more importantly several field and parking improvements were completed. I'm including just a few pictures below of our club's most recent successes!

- ***WSRC Officers '24***

For those that were unable to attend the November club meeting I was unanimously selected to continue my sentence as WSRC field marshal ☹️. As hard as I tried, I just wasn't to bribe any other member to accept this wonderful position, on the bright side I am nearing the *ever-elusive WSRC pension*. Seriously as crazy as it might sound, I really do enjoy (not all the time) being on the WSRC board! To most members' chagrin I'm already concocting an early spring '24 field adventure / party!

With all that said thanks for your vote of confidence 😊

On Santa's
List!



No Santa...We said a ZERO-TURN!!



Upgraded bleacher for visitors, Check out that clean West fence line!

New pilot stations for '23, this one just needs a little paint touch up!



5 Stations completed # 6 just needs the wire installed, pic shot 11/17!



Improved Flight Line for '24!

From the Safety Officer

Mike Hankins

Happy Thanksgiving

Tis the season to celebrate THANKSGIVING and SAFETY!

2023 has been a very successful year for Westside RC Flyers SAFETY! To each and every one of you a BIG THANK YOU for your contribution for leading in safety. It takes discipline, purpose and dedication for each trip YOU make to the flying field. I have seen and heard people helping each other out while putting safety first and encouraging safety when something less than ideal is in front of you. It's definitely NOT the safety officer for that year that makes things run as we hope but it simply takes each of us to read and understand the club rules, AMA rules and then put all that into practice for each visit to Westside RC Flyers field. For that a BIG THANK YOU to each of you! YOU are the reason our club supports and practices safety so well like we do.

Lets end the year strong and continue to support safety as we have all year long and know YOU have an impact on safety!

YOU have a circle of influence!

Think Safety - Practice Safety - Encourage Safety by your influence within your circle!

2023 Safety Officer

Mike Hankins

Winter officially starts December 1st 2023!

Christmas and Winter Ideas...

- 1) Ask Santa to purchase a RF Flight Simulator to help get you, your child or grandchild through the winter months and come out flying safer and more confident than you ever have for 2024 season!
- 2) Ask Santa or family for a 2024 Westside RC Flyers membership!
- 3) Purchase a plane for your son, daughter or grandchild for 2024 season!





Westside R/C Flyers

Black Friday

Swap Shop

Nov. 24th, 2023

8 AM till 12 PM

Exchange Avenue Baptist Church

1312 S. Pennsylvania Ave. Oklahoma City

Come to swap, sell or buy.

Tables \$10.00

Includes one admission

\$5.00 admission

Ladies and children under 12 free

Doors open at 7:00 a.m. for set up

For table reservations contact

Keith Gorrell 405-623-1725

BLACK FRIDAY SALE



Option 1, Good Deal: 1 Quart jug is \$8 ea.

Option 2, Better Deal: 1 Gallon \$30 which will be in (4) Quart jugs at \$7.50 ea.

Option 3, Best Deal: 3 Gallons or 1 case of (12) Quart jugs \$78 at \$6.50 ea.

Nitro Content: 15%

Oil content: 17%

Small print: Fuel was manufactured in '22 and has been stored in a conditioned space!
Check the prices around town or online and you'll find that these are very competitive, Thanks
and Happy Flying 😊

100% of the proceeds benefit WSRC!

For Sale by Members

Please list

your Name to be used when contacted by a potential buyer

brief description of the item for sale

the sale price

your contact information

a photo if you have one in .pdf or MS PP format

You must remind me to relist each month

Send this direct to the newsletter editor email: jimkale@pldi.net

The subject of your email: WESTSIDE RC NL FOR SALE

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