



# MPPA FUN FLYER

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## A NEW YEAR OF FRIENDS AND FLYING

### PRESIDENT'S CORNER February 2004

There's a Quickie Race this Saturday. Lots of work, but lots of fun, lots of excitement as those planes whip around the pylons. Good luck to all our club flyers like Jon Perdue, his dad Jim, Jim Creech and whoever else I missed (sorry). From what I understand, club members in good standing can eat free at lunchtime as part of MPPA day. And you know what "in good standing" means, right? If you haven't paid your 2004 dues, I'm pleading with you (I understand threats are not permitted) to get current with your annual dues. Our budget is extremely low, about 10% of what it was around mid-summer!!! We have monthly expenses that will deplete that quickly, including the raffle gifts for the club meeting on the fourth Wednesday of the month, the food and raffle prizes for members' MPPA day on the Saturday following the meeting, and other miscellaneous expenses surrounding the scheduled races and events (for example, more food, light bulbs, fuel, the winners' trophies and the workers' raffle prizes). So please pay your dues!



Julie Bell, the area manager for the airfield, contacted me to get the schedule of our events for the rest of 2004. She also asked me to attend a meeting with Markham Park officials on Thursday, Feb 19. Unfortunately I had already scheduled business in Orlando on the 19th and 20th, so I called President Emeritus Jim Perdue, who gallantly took on the responsibility. Well, not only did he represent our interests in keeping the airfield as an active part of the park, he also took the opportunity to propose the long-desired expansion of the runway. As you know, new pilots like the luxury of extra space for those fledgling landings. The big quarter scale flyers like the big warbirds would like more room to "grease in" their aircraft rather than bending the gear doing a "land and hold short (LAHS)" maneuver. Most of all, the jet jockeys, who have always been a bit nervous about threading the needle at the numbers of the approach end, then making the brakes glow red, only to shear them off as the mini-missile continues through the grass for

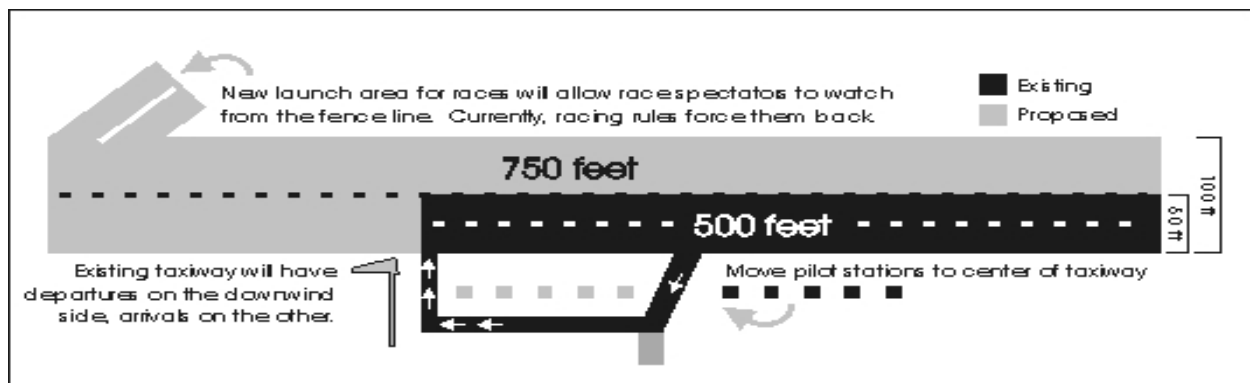
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another 100 feet, really need a longer runway. Jim used aerial photos of our field to generate a to-scale graphic representation of the expanded runway. Field Safety Officer Al Kline and I sat with Jim and Julie Bell on Sunday to turn over the drawings of the proposed field to her. Hopefully this will get the ball rolling on the approval process. To give you an idea of the proposed runway extension, I put together a diagram below to illustrate the changes Jim proposed. Take a look and use your imagination. This would make a big difference to all of us. Although the County may be involved in providing "in-kind" services, or (if we're lucky) fund part of the project, it may be that we'll have to find the talent and the money to build this beauty. If you have access to materials or skilled people to contribute their efforts to this technical construction project, please step forward and contact Jim or an officer or board



member. The additional runway will transform this field into a "world-class" RC airfield for even bigger and better events. Our "Jet Together" event will probably double in size from 25 pilots to 50. We could hold one of the finest "Big Bird" fly-ins seen in this area.

And that brings up another subject... NMPRA. It has been confirmed that we will host the Nationals this September! The National Miniature Pilots Racing Association has accepted our bid to host FIVE DAYS of practice and racing, Wednesday through Sunday, September 22-26, 2004. We will need every able-bodied person to chip in some volunteer time to help us pull this one off. We always take care of our workers, and this race will be no exception. Then, only two months later, in November, we will also host the South East Miniature Pilots Racing Association (SEMPRA) winter race at what we now call Joe Hancock



field.

Also, I met with the EAA Ultra-light Chapter 71 members at their monthly meeting at McIver Field a couple of weeks ago. They had been talking to Terry Bingham about having RC planes at their Fun Fly-In at Opa Locka West



at the field and 200 spectators at one time. It's a good thing but it brings on a lot of challenges too. It's going to be up to the club to take the lead in making it better and in finding solutions that work. Together we can get it done if we stick to it. See you at the field.

on Feb 21-22. Unfortunately we had too short of a notice to get Dade County Aviation approval, because they wanted AMA coverage, and the AMA needs 30 days advance notice to approve such an event. They will be having another Fly-In later this year, so we will keep in touch with Chapter 71 President John Hovan, and make preparations to fly RC at the next one. At this year's Fly-In, I saw Terry and also Marcel and Kevin Kruszeski. It was fun seeing these daring young men in their flying machines. The aircraft were fascinating and of a wide variety in design, materials, and construction. Many of them are just a short leap beyond the 40 and 46 percent planes that we see at our field, and all built with the utmost of care and precision.

Patrick Joyce

Things are happening quickly here. The park officials are showing renewed interest in the airfield as an attraction, and more people are flocking here to fly and observe. This past Sunday there were easily over 100 pilots

## MPPA PYLON RACE

# AMA 428, 424, 422 Q-500 Sport and Q-40

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Race headquarters: Wellesly Inn @ 13600 NW 2<sup>nd</sup> street Sunrise, FL (954) 845-9929 call for reservations. Mention Don Moody & MPPA for special rate: \$65.00 per night, non-smoking rooms are set aside for this event. Other hotels, Baymont Inn \$79.00 @ 13651 NW 2<sup>nd</sup> st. (954) 846-1200, Baymont Inn \$55.00 @ 3800 W. Commercial Blvd \$55.00 per night (954) 485-7900 as quoted by Lou Pazzo, mention MPPA race.

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