



## CCF Newsletter

4/25/2024

### **President's Corner:**

Hello Flyers!

I hope that everyone is well and getting out to the club to enjoy this weather. I was at the club on Saturday for the first time in a month and we had a nice crowd in attendance.

We continue to be mildly optimistic regarding an asphalt runway provided by the county. Discussions with one of the County Commissioners two weeks ago indicated that the funds for a runway are still included in the draft FY 2025 budget. The Commissioner supports the project and believes that it will be final budget when they vote to approve in May. FY2025 starts October 1, 2024. As a fallback plan, the board has continued to save for a replacement fabric runway. If we are forced to go that route, the plan is to prepare a solid base before putting down new fabric. We hope for the best but plan for the worst.

Lastly, I ask all members to put the CCF Family Fun Fly (10/5/2024) on their personal calendars. We will have some food, some door prizes and lots of fun!

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Mark

### **Club Membership**

We continue to have a steady inflow of new members, so if you see somebody that you do not know, please introduce yourself. Current membership is 55.

### **Financial Update**

On January 1, 2024, our balance was \$4344.14.

Since then, we've added the following revenue:

\$2670.00	Membership dues and contributions
\$114.00	March Swap Meet Raffle

And, we've had the following expenses:

\$537.52	Port-a-let fees
\$158	Clay Electric fees
\$205.22	Maintenance costs
\$200	Sunbiz and AMA Charter and Insurance fees

Our current balance is:

\$6027.40

### **Training at CCF**

As previously communicated, former president Rex Hall has agreed to be the training coordinator for the club. We currently have a fleet of three training aircraft set up for buddy-box and five AMA designated Introductory Pilot Instructors, so we can help anyone that is in need. Please contact any board member if you would like training or know of someone interested in starting this hobby.

### **Bloody Baron**

Our 2023-2024 Bloody Baron Combat series has concluded. Many thanks to Andrew for making this fun series happen! Results were:

1st Andrew Alvarez

2nd Peter Craig

3rd Mark Nye

4th Jim Brazeal

5th Craig Rogers

6th Rex Hall

Our next series will kick off in the fall, so you have lots of time to build a plane and join in the fun. The FT Bloody Baron is cheap and easy build, kits are available at Hurricane Hobbies or online at <https://store.flitetest.com/ft-bloody-baron-mkr2/>.

### **CCF Swap Meet**

On March 23, the club held a small swap meet that was well attended. Many thanks to VP Jim for organizing the event and to Gene Moniot for donating the raffle plane.

### **AMA Membership**

All members are reminded to keep their AMA membership current throughout the year. In accordance with our site license agreement with Clay County, you MUST have a current AMA membership to fly at our club.

### **Free Stuff**

Any members out there looking for a good primary trainer? From Tony Broyles ([broylesn@bellsouth.net](mailto:broylesn@bellsouth.net)): "I have my original RC model and it has been sitting in the garage for several years collecting dust. I just fired it up and everything works but I need to make room. I

was wondering if you knew of a new member or someone that might like an extra starter plane at no cost? It is old technology with a brushed motor and a non-safe receiver, but I have lots of spare parts and a set of floats. I also added aileron servos and made it a true 4 channel flyer.”

Also available for free are a 1.5m glider and a Wing Dragon that were donated to the club. Contact Mark if interested. (Sorry, the UMX Radian is already gone.)



### **Clay County Flyers Calendar Events**

5/25-26/2024 – Memorial Warbird Event @ Gateway\*\*

6/8/2024 – Gateway Summer Swap Meet\*\*

10/5/2024 – CCF Family Fun Fly

12/7/2024 – Gateway Winter Swap Meet\*\*

\*\* Non-CCF Event

### **2024 Clay County Flyers Officers**

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