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# SIGNAL SQUEAKER

AMA Chartered Club #371

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THE OFFICIAL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE SIGNAL SEEKERS R/C CLUB

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| <b>TRUSTEES</b>   | <i>Bob Dunlap</i>  | Jay Dunkin, George Cooley, Darren Covington (ALT)<br>Field Safety Officer-Michael Ferguson |
| <b>MEETINGS</b>   | Fourth Monday of every month at Maplewood Center Garden City, rm114 at 7:30 PM |  |

Next Meeting: Monday, March 26th, 7:00 PM at Maplewood Center

Happy spring, everybody, and let the games begin. Sharpen up those lawn mower blades and pruning shears and don't forget to dust off those airplanes.

Be sure to read the minutes in this issue to see the latest business being discussed by our club.



In the last issue, we printed a page of changed bylaws for our club. There was apparently a misprint in a portion of it, so please disregard that page and be sure to take note of the new corrected one inside this issue. Clip it out to include with your copies of the bylaws.

Happy flying one and all!

-Ed

## SIGNAL SEEKERS RC CLUB MEETING

Meeting Date February 26, 2007

Meeting was called to order by President Bob McDonald and the roll call was taken.

### REPORTS:

- The Minutes were approved as written, except for the correction of the date when the dues are due, and the Treasures's Report was approved as read.
- Field Report – snow covered.

### OLD BUSINESS:

- The South gate, by the Club sign, is now the gate to use for access fo the field.

### NEW BUSINESS:

- The Club will put on a static display at an upcoming Ignitions (Pro indoor soccer) game and volunteers are needed.
- It was voted on to get golf type shirts with the Club logo embroidered over the left breast.

### MONTHLY RAFFLE:

- Gallon of Fuel:- Dan McLalin.
- Monokote:- Bob McDonald.
- Epoxy Kit:- Ken Johnson and Matt Gladd.
- Prop:- Bob Dunlap and Barney Polzin.
- CA:- Ken Johnson.
- Accuthrow:- Floyd Gregory.
- Sanding Bar:- Matt Gladd.
- Fuel Pump:- Barney Polzin.
- Spinner:- Doug Beaver.

### SHOW AND TELL:

- Richard Sawicki brought in an electric ARF Spitfire, imported by Tower Hobby, that he recently completed but hasn't flown yet. If it flies as well as it looks it'll be a winner.

SUBJECT: SIGNAL SEEKERS R/C CLUB DUES FOR 2007.

SS07DUES

1. THE FOLLOWING RECEIVE FREE DUES FOR SELLING 100 OR MORE CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS: TIMOTHY TOWNLEY, KENNETH JOHNSON, DARREN COVINGTON, JOHN KAPCHUS, BRYAN MOLNER, MARK KNOTE, KEITH McCRARY, DOUGLASS BEAVER, STEVEN CECALÉ, GEORGE COOLEY, LARRY COULSON, ROBERT DUNKAN, JAMES ESPER, MATTHEW GLADD, FLOYD GREGORY, RICHARD MALIK, RAYMOND MARIO, ROBERT McDONALD, THOMAS MELITA, TOM VASILOFSKI, DALLELL WARREN. NOTE: CLUB OFFICERS, NEWSLETTER EDITOR (JERRY WINO), NEWSLETTER PRINTER (MIKE FERGUSON), CHANNEL IDENTIFICATION PIN NUMBERS (DAN ROSS), AND FIELD GRASS CUTTING (DARREN COVINGTON) ARE NOT REQUIRED TO PAY DUES.

2. HONORY MEMBERS: TO BE DETERMINED.

3. THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS HAVE PAID THEIR 2007 DUES:

| <u>NAME</u>     | <u>DATE PD.</u> | <u>NAME</u>        | <u>DATE PD.</u> | <u>NAME</u>        | <u>DATE PD.</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| DENNIS SUMNER   | 12/22/06        | PAUL BEDARD        | 12/22/06        | ROBERT LUKASIK     | 12/22/06        |
| CHUCK LEE       | 12/22/06        | ROBERT PENCE       | 12/22/06        | STANLEY OLESKOWSKI | 01/22/07        |
| ROBERT DUNLAP   | 01/22/07        | JOHN HARTMAN       | 01/22/07        | WILLIAM SOPHA      | 01/22/07        |
| CHUCK WOOLEY    | 01/22/07        | STUART WECKERLY    | 01/22/07        | WILLIAM PASCHEN    | 01/22/07        |
| EDGER JOHNSON   | 02/15/07        | DANIAL McLALIN     | 02/26/07        | JOHN BRZYS         | 02/26/07        |
| RICHARD SAWICKI | 02/26/07        | MIKE FERGUSON (JR) | 02/26/07        | QUINTEN RAY        | 02/26/07        |
| SCOTT GODFREY   | 02/26/07        | TOM POLK           | 03/15/07        |                    |                 |

NOTE: ANY ERRORS OR OMISSIONS, PLEASE INFORM ME. INDIVIDUALS WHO PAY BY MAIL, MUST PROVIDE PROOF OF "07" AMA MEMBERSHIP AND A SELF ADDRESSED/STAMPED ENVELOPE. BARNEY POLZIN (734) 728 3029 03/16/07

*NOTE: A LATE FEE OF \$20.00 WILL BE ASSESSED IF DUES ARE NOT PAID BY THE END OF THE MARCH MEETING!*

*Barney*

**SIGNAL SEEKERS RADIO CONTROL CLUB INCORPORATED**  
**(STANDING RULES)**

These Standing-Rules are an adjunct to the Signal Seekers R/C Club By-Laws. As such, they shall not interfere or conflict with the By-Laws. Standing-Rules may be amended in accordance with the By-Laws, Article XII.

**INITIATION FEE AND ANNUAL DUES**

**SR-1. Initiation Fee:** A Filing Fee of thirty (\$30) is to accompany an Application. This Fee will not be credited toward the Initial Dues when the Applicant is voted into Membership. Only one Initiation Fee shall be assessed per house-hold. Previous members requesting reinstatement shall be entitled to waiver of the Initiation Fee. Such waiver must be approved by the Board of Directors.

**SR-2. Annual Membership dues are as followed:**

- A. An Open Members dues shall be seventy dollars (\$70) per year.**
- B. A Juniors Membership shall be one dollar (\$1) per year..**
- C. A Family Members dues shall be half (50%) the amount of an Open Members dues.**
- D. A Spouse Member dues shall be one dollar (\$1) per year.**
- E. A Disabled Members dues shall be one dollar (\$1) per year.**
- F. Dues for an Inactive Member requesting Active Membership status shall be assessed per SR-2A through SR-2D.**
- G. For New Members voted in between January and June will be assessed Full Membership dues. Those voted in between July and November will be assessed Half Membership dues. Junior, Spouse, and Disabled Members will not be prorated.**
- H, AMA Membership dues shall be paid by the Member. The AMA Charter Fee shall be paid by the Club.**
- J, Dues cannot be accepted unless Member shows a current AMA Membership and has no outstanding debts owing to the Club.**
- K. Dues are for one year in advance and are for the year beginning January 1 through December 31 of the same calender year. Dues are payable as of January of each year with a cut-off date at the end of the regular meeting in March. Members, not meeting this requirement will be assessed a late fee of twenty dollars (\$20.00). Also, if they are receiving a Club Newsletter by mail, it will no longer be mailed to them.**

**SR-3. Expenditures by Club Officer as defined by Article X, SECTION 3., of the By-Laws, shall not exceed fifty dollars (\$50) each**

## Trivia

1. What is done to a herring to make it into a kipper?
  2. Which Asian country is home to Bollywood?
  3. Madonna's song, "Like a Prayer," was used to advertise which drink?
  4. How many planets are there in our solar system?
  5. What does a lexicographer write or make?
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## Everybody's Talking!

**Better late than never:** It took 14 years, but a woman in New South Wales has finally claimed one of Australia's lottery jackpots. The prize, 100,000 Australia dollars or about \$86,500 Canadian, comes after the scratch and win ticket was purchased in 1992. She found it in a greeting card in her home. A spokesperson for the state Gaming Minister, Grant McBride, said the woman could legitimately cash it in, but his government is in the process of limiting the amount of time one has to claim their prize. The country has a lottery prize that has been waiting to be claimed since 1997. It's worth \$2.85 million Canadian.

**Long flight:** A global positioning system transmitter allowed researchers to track a frigate bird that flew a distance of 2,500 miles nonstop. The bird left its nest on Christmas Island in the Indian Ocean, and flew for 24 days straight. The flight set a world record for longest non-stop journey by a bird of that species. Typically, frigate birds fly a distance of about 300 miles from their nests. The bird's journey took it over volcanic islands in Indonesia. Scientist David James says that part of the trip was unusual. "Usually, seabirds would only be seen flying over the sea."

**Hands off trees:** Three girls, ages 9 to 11, were charged with arborcide in New York City. What is arborcide? It's the wanton and reckless destruction of trees. The girls had been climbing a Japanese white pine in Central Park when a branch broke. A park ranger saw it happen and slapped the girls with a \$1,000 ticket. The girls pleaded that there were no signs saying you couldn't climb trees, but the ranger pointed out that there aren't signs saying you can't rob banks, either. Not long after, a man was cited for "strangling" a tree by chaining his bike to it.

**Honest boy:** Adam Beattie proved he was an honest kid when, walking home from school in Santa Clarita, California, he found \$800 laying on the street. He immediately showed his mom what he'd found, and they returned to look for evidence of who lost the money. Instead, they found another \$200. When their own sleuthing in the neighborhood didn't turn up the owner of the \$1,000, they turned it into the police. After three months, the money still hadn't been claimed, and so the police department awarded Adam the windfall. Sheriff's Captain Patti Minutello told Adam she thought he was "awesome" and that he "set an example for all kids."

## Quoteable Quotes

"The time is always right to do what is right."  
~ Martin Luther King Jr.

"If you chase two rabbits, both will escape." ~ Anonymous

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." ~ Winston Churchill

## Did You Know...

**Sweet gas:** About a quarter of the automobiles on the road in Brazil are fueled by gas made from an unusual source. Scientists there figured out a way to make gas from sugar cane.

**Radio opera:** The first time opera ever hit the radio airwaves was in 1910, when Enrico Caruso was broadcast singing at the Metropolitan Opera in New York.

**Interesting beginnings:** Britain had an Automobile Association as early as 1905. But it wasn't established to provide road maps and driving advice. Its main aim was to help drivers avoid police speed traps.

**Stinky stinky:** We all know you can smell a skunk from a long distance. The Spotted Skunk is such a smelly creature that its "aroma" can be detected from 24 miles away.

**Lightning speed:** Ostriches are super-fast creatures. One stride and they've covered 25 feet. At top speed, they can streak over land at 50 miles per hour.

## On the Lighter Side

If you think about it, no one really agrees with other people's opinions unless it's their own expressed in different terms.

In the majority of instances, all an argument proves is that two or more people are present.

There's always free cheese in a mousetrap.

After any unit has been completely assembled, extra components will always be found on the bench.

A bargain is something you cannot use at a price you cannot resist.

Rule #1: The client is always right. Rule #2: If the client is never wrong, reread Rule #1.

After all is said and done, usually more is said than done.

With a calendar, your days are numbered.

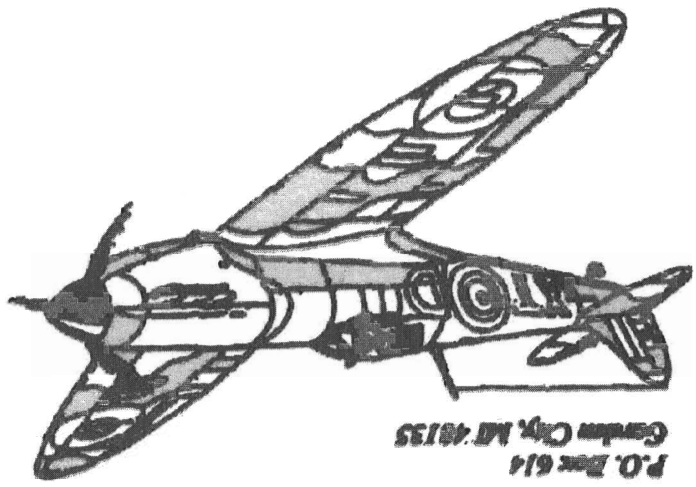
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## Answers

**Trivia answers:** 1. It's smoked. 2. India. 3. Pepsi Cola. 4. Eight. 5. Dictionaries.

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