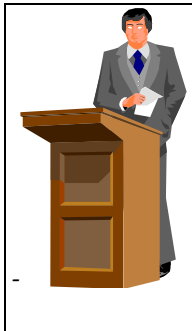




ETAM Tailwind

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PRESIDENTS CORNER



From the president, Memorial Spring Fun Fly

The ETAM Memorial Day weekend spring fun fly will

by May 25, starting at 9am. The Longview fun fly events have attracted good turnout of both local and visitor pilots from neighboring clubs. Pilot registration is \$25. Share the fun. Grand raffle prize is a Tiger Moth

Gold Leader Club

ETAM has been recognized as an AMA Gold Leader club. Much thanks to Bob Smith for his efforts to submit the details that qualified us for this recognition. Among the requirements were civic involvement and local field infrastructure of Floyd Harp Field.

Blue Bird houses

Floyd Harp maintained two blue bird houses at the field and we are endeavoring to continue his tradition. The house immediately across from the pavilions produced one brood cycle this year so far and blue birds were recently observed perhaps preparing for another.

Winter Banquet report

The ETAM annual winter banquet was held in February with seventeen members, family and friends present. A good time was had by all.

3rd Tues Lunch B-4 flying

Recently we've been enjoying a return to the Butcher Shop for this monthly event

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and have moved the time to 11:30 to avoid the noon lunch rush.

Donations from Floyd Harp family

Before passing, Floyd gave away much of his model airplane stuff, and following Jimmy and Ricky Harp have donated the remainder. Included are engines, balsa, and various modeling items, especially small props and wheels. Some things from the donation will provide raffle prizes for the spring fun fly while other stuff is free for the asking to club members. The engines are all glow fuel with most in the smaller size range. If interested in acquiring any of these engines, balsa, small props or wheels, let me know your interest.

Field Maintenance

The effort last summer to spray outlining areas to curtail growth has proven very effective. Again thanks to all who helped. As well, the hog rut areas that Steve Greer worked on late last summer are much improved. Thanks Steve for your effort. Mike Mansfield continues his many years

with runway mowing. It has been a major commitment and greatly appreciated. He has used his mower and given his time and effort beyond any call of duty. We simply say.... Thank you!

ETAM Membership Growth

Our club has enjoyed some growth in the past couple of years and now enjoys thirty six members. This followed a low in the mid twenties for a short season a few years ago. To the new or returning, a hearty welcome and wish that all will enjoy the field and fraternity.

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