



# **The Eagle Eye News**

**The Newsletter of the  
Georgetown Aero Modelers Association**

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**The next GAMA Meeting will be held Saturday,  
June 14th, 10am, at the GAMA Field.**

## **GAMA General Meeting**

GAMA General meeting will be June 14th, at 10:00am at the GAMA Field.  
Please wear your club shirt, badge or name tag. See you all there!

## **GAMA EC Meeting Minutes for May 6, 2025**

**Meeting Called to Order** at 7:01 PM

**Officers Present:** President Ed Listander, Vice President David Schmitt, Treasurer Ron Peebles, Secretary Daryl McCloskey, Field Manager Walter Hester, Member-at-Large Paul Clark

**Officers Absent:** Membership Director Andre Leeder, Safety Officer Richard Isgrigg, Newsletter Editor Don Miller

### **Officer's Reports:**

1. Treasurer, Ron Peebles, reported a bank balance of in excess of \$34K as of April 30, 2025. Four CD's doing well. Paid membership currently stands at 98. The Texas Franchise Report was filed in April, a \$500 installment on reservation of Georgetown Community Center for 2026 Swap Meet was paid, and rental fees for Porta-Potty are up to date.
2. Vice President David Schmitt, reported that the April 12 War-bird/Family Day was a success. His prepared and pre-packaged pulled pork sandwiches and other prepackaged items sold out yielding a small profit. He feels that prepared food items are both more efficient and more sanitary than on-site preparation and proposed doing the same at next year's swap meet. David has been in contact with DuBro and FMX about setting up product displays and/or donating raffle prizes for the 2026 Swap Meet.
3. Field Manager, Walter Hester, reported no field issues. He noted that the new mower's initial annual service is coming up soon. He proposed bringing it to the dealer for service, a decision supported by all present.

### **New Business:**

1. Walter has agreed to purchase two additional fire extinguishers for field facilities.
2. The EC agreed to move ahead with getting the crushed granite necessary to resurface the areas under the shelters without further delay. Walter and David agreed to look into possible sources for the material.
3. The EC agreed to consider purchasing another portable generator. Gary Fisher offered to sell his small unit for a reasonable price but most agreed that although ideal for charging model aircraft batteries, it doesn't have the capacity to power the various kitchen appliances such as a warming oven and hotdog cooker that could be used during field events. Walter and David agreed to investigate possible purchases. A final decision on purchasing Gary's generator was not made.
4. Ron noted that Don Miller has not kept up with publishing the monthly newsletter as required by the Bylaws. The EC members present agreed to find a replacement editor. The matter will be taken up at the May 10 field meeting.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.**

Prepared and submitted by Daryl McCloskey, GAMA Secretary

## **GAMA General Meeting Minutes for May 10, 2025**

**Meeting Opened** at 10:05 AM

**Officers Present:** President Ed Listander; Vice President David Schmitt; Treasurer Ron Peebles; Safety Officer Richard Isgrigg; Field Manager Walter Hester; Webmaster Don Miller.

**Officers Not Present:** Membership Director Andre Leeder; Secretary Daryl McCloskey; Member-At-Large, Paul Clark.

**Attendance:** 20 members present

**Meeting Minutes:** The April 24th Minutes were sent in by Daryl, but not recovered in time for reading.

### **Officer Reports:**

- David Schmitt, Vice President: Recent Quad and VTOL fun day was very successful. Tryout of new kitchen layout (thanks to Walter and David) was also successful. Upcoming club events include Combat; Cubs and Cousins Fly-In. Details will be posted and dates are in club calendar. The Combat and Pattern Competitions are AMA sanctioned events.
- Richard Isgrigg, Safety Coordinator: No recent safety incidents have occurred. Runway is in good shape.
- Ron Peebles, Treasurer: Gross Income for April, 2025 was \$709.50 with expenses totaling \$538.90, resulting in a Net Income of \$170.60 He reported a balance of \$34,139.43 as of April 30, 2025. An itemized financial statement for April is available for review at the meeting. Ron reported that Club member Russell Butler has completed the Annual Financial Audit and that he found the financials to be in proper order. Also, 9 members who have not paid their club dues or responded to a mid-March reminder have been dropped from the club roster as required by Club By-Laws. The dropped members may apply for reinstatement, but will have to pay a \$10 initiation fee per Club By-Laws.

- For Andre Leeder, Membership Director: Membership cards and badges are available for pick up at the field. Current membership has reached 99 fully paid up members.
- Walter Hester, Field Manager: No issues, researching sources of granite for Ramada area.
- Don Miller, Website Manager: No Issues to report.

#### **Club Business:**

- Ed Listander, President, reviewed need for a more active Newsletter. After discussion, Kevin Rohrer volunteered to take on responsibility. He and Ron will work through next couple of issues to ensure publication.
- Richard Isgrigg discussed activities being undertaken by Mike Klino in the FPV space - David Schmitt proposed that Mike be invited to become a member-at-large of the Executive Committee in order to give him more visibility and input. Seconded by Jamie Fontenot, passed by acclaim.
- David Schmitt lead discussion of solar panels, local charging station and new, larger generator. New member Bradlee Smith offered to create a proposal to cover setting up a solar panel driven charging station, investigating linking weather station and creating a WiFi hot spot as a service to the club.
- Upgrading the meeting area under the shelters was discussed, at length. Richard, David and Walter were charged with the issue of finalising the volume, type, delivery timing of sufficient compressed granite to cover ramada area as soon as possible. Mario will be paid to clear area and spread new cover.
- David discussed calendar of events and passed out copies of schedule. Date info is in club calendar and details will be blasted out as available.

**Meeting adjourned at 10:31 AM**

Prepared by Ron Peebles, GAMA Treasurer



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## **Have a story or pictures to share?**

All members are encouraged to share anything they might find interesting to share with other GAMA members related to RC flying. Building a new model and have tips to share? Any new tools or gadgets purchased that are a must need? Are there events in the area you're planning to fly in? Want to share pictures of your new plane with other club members? Contact newsletter editor Kevin Rohrer to share your story with the rest of GAMA on next issues of The Eagle Eye News.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**General Meeting, June 14th, at GAMA field Meeting starts at 10 am and will center around Event plans for 2025.**

## **2025 Club Officers**

President  
Vise President.  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Membership Chairman  
Safety Officer  
Field Chairman  
Newsletter Editor  
Webmaster  
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