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### October Newsletter

#### 2024 Club Officers

President: Frank Mintz
Vice Pres: Bill Cermak
Secretary: Carol Mintz
Treasurer: Mark Carey
Membership: Bob Smith
Field Mgr.: Mickey Murphy
Mowing Capt.: Joe Hudacky
Chief Safety: Ed Popp
Flight Inst. Carl Dilks/Rick
Smith

Web Master: Mark Carey

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Wow, what summer it has been.

The club grew by 10 members and it was hot. We were blessed that hurricane Helene did no damage to the field and we can look forward to an enjoyable Florida fall and winter flying season.

Now for the bad news. We are losing a key member of the club leadership. Our Treasurer and Webmaster Mark Carey is returning north in the next few months and cannot continue in these two

critical positions.

Now is the time for the membership to step-up and offer their talents to fill these two functions. It is critical that whoever takes over these functions have one-on-one time with Mark. Our website has never been better and is responsible for the growth we are experiencing. The Treasury is in great shape and only needs administration to keep it current.

Please, if you have interest in



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supporting the club in either of these positions, contact any board member and Mark will be glad to pass on his great knowledge so we can continue to enjoy the Southern Eagle Squadron for years to come.

Wings Level,

Frank

SES Membership Director

### Bob Smith

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### Field Security—Important!!

If you are the last person to leave the field please make sure the gate to the SES field is closed and the combination on the lock is rotated not showing the entrance code on the lock. Also if at any time you arrive and the gate is open and there is no one flying, please contact Frank Mintz or Bill Cermak.

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## Pilot Safety Briefing

# Required for all new Pilots, New Members and all club members.

These safety rules and procedures established by our club and AMA are for everyone's safety:

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- 1. All pilots must display their Visible Club ID at all times while on the flight line.
- 2. Pilots on the flight line must be in a flying station for their safety.
- 3. Pilots must announce takeoff and landing and communicate with other pilots on the flight line each time.
- 4. Pilots must fly in the direction of the active indicator.
- 5. Taxiing of aircraft in the pit area is STRICTLY forbidden.
- 6. No flying over restricted areas or no-fly zones.
- 7. No flying at any time when the county is cutting the grass.
- 8. Pilots must fly within the field boundaries.
- 9. All aircraft must have AMA and owner's information displayed on or in the aircraft.
- 10. No more than FIVE aircraft are permitted in the air at the same time.

### For every aircraft you fly:

Make sure your Name, Phone # and AMA # is displayed on the aircraft.

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# VISIT OUR *HUGE* ANNUAL INDOOR R/C SWAP MEET TO BUY-SELL-TRADE

PLANES – JETS – HELICOPTERS – DRONES - PARTS & ACCESSORIES



Nov 2, 2024 8:00am – 11:00am

Recreation Plantation Community Center 609 Hwy 466, Lady Lake FL 32159 (Corner of 466 and Rolling Acres)

\* Vendor-only set-up begins at 6:30am

### **Contact Info:**

Greg DeSantis: gdesantis2524@comcast.net

Admission is \$5.00 (includes family)

Tables are \$15 each and can be reserved online via credit card.



**The Airfield Address is:** 38000 Rolling Acres Rd Lady Lake, FL 32159

Mailing Address is:

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Newsletter Editor: Timothy Mitchell The Southern Eagle Squadron is an AMA Chartered Radio Controlled Flying Club. Our field is located in the North Central Florida town of Lady Lake, adjacent to The Villages.

The history of the Southern Eagle Squadron [SES] dates back to the mid 1970's. SES is an active club with membership in excess of 100. The club leadership continuously arranges various events throughout the year including Club Meetings, Swap Meets, Social Gatherings (otherwise known as Food/Fly days), Fly-ins, and Family Days. SES cooperates with other local clubs in event planning as well.

### Learn How To Fly Program

We have a "Fly Before You Buy" program which is offered by Southern Eagle Squadron members. We offer introductory no cost training flights to individuals who are curious about RC model flying.

For those starting out, the purchase of a trainer airplane system, membership in the club and the required Academy of Model Aeronautics membership could total over \$500. Before you make that investment, you can fly an SES trainer airplane with the assistance of an SES Instructor at no cost!

Through the use of a student held "buddy box" controller, the instructor can allow the student full control of the airplane and allow them to get a genuine feel for the experience. When needed the instructor can take control back with the flick of a switch on his controller and the flight continues.

If you are interested or have further questions, contact us and we'll coordinate time with a SES Instructor to meet you at the field so you can "FLY-BEFORE -YOU-BUY." FLYING IS FUN!

WE CAN SHOW YOU HOW!

