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It's been a very mild February so far which is a nice change from the cold we had in January. Hope you have been able to take time to enjoy the sun at the field.

If you have renewed your membership you received by email the new lock code which has been changed. If you haven't renewed, join us at a meeting to renew or you can renew online.

Some of you responded to the

invitation to share some of your stories. On page three there is a Members Spotlight where there are some stories and pictures of our member's experiences—good, and the not so good.

Feel free to submit your stories or pictures and we can include it in the next newsletter. Tim's email is on the last page.

Hope to see you at the next meeting on February 15th.

Southern Eagle Squadron
Lady Lake, Florida



R/C Flying - For Fun

Important Club News

Our February SES General Meeting will be held on February 15, 2025 @ 10am, Recreation Plantation Library Room on the corner of 466 and Rolling Acres.

SES membership renewals are going on now. Easiest way to get your 2025 sticker is come to the meeting on Feb 15th we will take cash, check, or credit card and hand you your 2025 sticker.

To renew your membership click here: www.southerneaglesquadron.com/member-renewals/

Once we receive payment, we will notify you when your membership sticker is ready for pickup on SES field bulletin board.

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Field Security—Important!!

If you are the last person to leave the field please make sure the gate to the 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 Jonnie Knowles or Bill Cermak.

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.

Members Spotlight

Bill Cermak

My experience with listening to the peanut gallery who would yell out "lower, lower" and the dummy flying, me, would do it!!!



The Picture is of me and my beloved Funtana airplane before



The joy of flying!



The peanut gallery that would egg me on to fly lower



Me showing the peanut gallery the Funtana inverted



The crash. If you look closely at the crash you can see the fuel squirting out of the tank.

Brian Evans

I performed this "tricky" landing last January. Saved me from having to bend down ! It was windy - see windsock.

I like to consider this the equivalent of a 'hole in one.'



Deon Cross

I found the yellow tail section and the yellow center wing section in the trash can at my flying field, mostly intact, back home in KC. I saw a project. I started "winging" it and just built it out of my head. 6' wingspan and a Piper of sorts.



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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 Aero-

nautics 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!

