

TriState Helicopter Club



TRI-STATE HELICOPTER CLUB

The Collective Pitch

# From The President's Desk

## A Note on Safety!

At our last club fun fly, I learned a simple lesson that I wanted to share with each of you. Yes, I know I am not the safety officer, but, the story is still worth relating.

Well it was a very nice day and a number of club members had come out to participate in one of our yearly fun flies. For me it was just another day of flying with my buddies. The only real difference was that there were more buddies that day than usual. Everyone was having a good time and Slim brought out the frequency board to protect us from doing anything stupid.

Well the usual cast of characters were out flying, just like normal and we had all taken our frequency pins - So far everything was great!

After flying a couple of times, my friend Brady Pack came up to me and asked if he could use the frequency pin? Well, I felt terrible that I had not returned the pin and gave it to him at once. I was now

content to watch him and others fly as well as just cruise the flight line talking with everyone.

Next thing I know, Slim started the "games". The first one dealt with breaking balloons with a nail attached to the bottom of your chopper. I entered the event after Brady returned the frequency pin to the board. These games are rather fun even though I didn't win. After my flight I returned the pin to the frequency board. Then about 30 minutes later I entered another contest where you

**“Brady was as happy as a clam holding his transmitter with the frequency pin attached to the antenna”.**

attempted to hover your chopper at the same altitude within a boxed area, without using your collective. My first attempt was good, but my second and third attempts were not. So after finishing my third attempt I decided to finish off my

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## From The President's Desk—continued

tank of gas by just flying around. I made a slow climbing turn to the right and all of a sudden, I lost control of the model. Even though I momentarily regained control, I lost control again and the chopper crashed. I couldn't believe it, what could have happened? Then it came to me - I wonder if someone else was flying on my channel?

I turned around to see my friend Brady flying his Shuttle down at the end of the field. Brady was as happy as a clam holding his transmitter with the frequency pin attached to the antenna! Seems that as long as my model was close to me - I retained

control. But when I flew away from myself, my transmitter lost control of the chopper. I don't think that Brady even noticed the problem as he was flying very close to himself.

Well, what can you say, he was right and I was wrong. I should have had the frequency pin! This pointed out a very real problem that I think we can correct easily by reinstating the routine use of the frequency pin process.

We will discuss this further at our next club meeting!

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## Treasurer's Report — By Al Drees

**We now have 24 members!!! ( Woo-Hoo! One new member joined in October!!!)**

We are in the process of building it back up. If you have friends that fly choppers and are looking for a good home – bring them along to the next club meeting.

Our “Official Membership Roster” that is turned in to the AMA has been appended and now shows the correct listing of Real Genuine Club Members. The coffer still has money in it (although the Pizza

is beginning to take it's toll) and the following is the accounting for the November club meeting:

Beginning Balance	\$ 773.20
Due's Received	\$ 60.00
<u>Expenditure's</u>	<u>\$ 65.55</u>
New Balance	\$ 767.65

Please check the attached Membership Roster to see if there is anyone on the list that you know. If they have inadvertently been removed (because they didn't pay their dues) then please notify me so

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## Club Meeting schedule — etcetera, etcetera, etcetera. . .

Our next club meeting will be on Tuesday, November 9th. It will be held at the usual place – SLIM'S MAGNIFICENT AERODOME !

*Bring your chopper and let's fly !!*

Fall is here. I know this because the leaves are falling off of the trees in my back yard, it's still dark when I go to work – it's also dark when I get home from work (oh well). I also feel that slight “nip” in the air on certain mornings when I go outside to get

in my car. So what? You say. It all adds up to less time for us to fly – and less time until we can't (won't ?) fly. As the days start to get shorter we will have less and less time to fly before the club meetings starts.

Time changed the last weekend in October – in case you haven't checked your calendar – that was last week.. We need to make the most of the warm days – soon it will be time to put the choppers away for a long winters nap, or better still, a cleaning and realignment for next years flying season.

## October Fun Fly was a Success !!

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There was frost on the pumpkin the morning of the last fun-fly of the year.

I guess John (Pennell) wanted “one more fun-fly” before the end of the year. As usual Slim had the Red Hots going on the grill so we could at least keep warm inside!

There were some exercises arranged for those of us that were willing to try our hand at the competitive

aspects of the fun fly. The balloon bust and the hover exercise were the only ones that I witnessed. I’m sure that there were more.

I don’t have the final results. Some of you might disagree with me but I think that the fact that we showed up to have a good time together was trophy enough. You can get prizes at any Fun Fly – but at our Fun Fly’s you can also see old friends, develop new relationships and get to fly. What a country !

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## Classified Ads

### Bob Belluomini 513-245-0590

1. Robbe CSC-4 Helicopter Speed Control - \$75 obo
2. Hitec 325 Fast Field Charger - \$35

### John Anast 513-829-3950 –

1. Schluter Scout II – 60 tons of Futura updates - carbon tube drive - OS61SX - \$450 obo
2. GMP Cobra Jet Ranger - Fuse finished only needs paint, Pro head, Enya 60 motor - \$450 obo
3. Act Competition Heading hold gyro \$100 obo
4. Robbe CSC-4 Helicopter Speed Control - \$75 obo

### Dale Mercer 606.689-5953

1. Hattori #777 Tuned Pipe and #778 Header (60HTS-3) \$100 obo.
2. TSK MyStar 60. Built – but never flown – with the new YS 61 ST2 motor, Robbe battery monitor switch and NHP 680 blades. \$1000.

### John Pennell 513-754-1577 before 10:00pm

1. B.H. Hanson Tuned Pipe for a Gasser - \$60.
  2. Chapman V-Tech mufflers (3) - \$25 each
  3. OS 61WC Engine – new in box. Call for price.
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Al Drees is starting to collect the Club Dues for next year (2000!) – Don’t forget to pay him when you see him. Dues are still only a paltry \$30.00 !!

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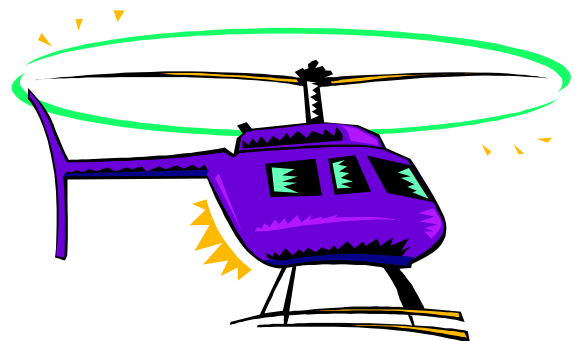
## November Club Meeting

**WHEN :** October 12th, 1999

**TIME :** 7:30 PM

**WHERE :** Slim Helson’s Aerodrome

**See You There!**



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## Services and Such

*"Keep them rotors outta the dirt"*

### Slim's Chopper Repair

Machine shop services are available from Slim Helson, call him at 831-3173. He offers a full range of machining services and custom fabrication. Slim also has an extensive Robbe/Schluter parts supply. Slim's shop is conveniently located at 1033 St. Rt 131 in Milford.

*"IF YOU CAN DRAW IT, HE CAN MAKE IT!"*

### Vector Helicopters

Building, setup or repair services for all makes of helicopters is now available. You can also get your wood rotor blades professionally built, weighted and covered to your specifications. Prices range from \$15-\$35 depending on size and complexity. Call John Anast at 829-3950 for an estimate. *Remember - **No job is too BIG!***

### Authorized Robbe Field Representative

Contact John Anast at 513-829-3950, e-mail [jmanast@worldnet.att.net](mailto:jmanast@worldnet.att.net) or visit his website at Vector Helicopters <http://home.att.net/~jmanast/vh.html>

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## Web Sites

This area of the newsletter will be dedicated to interesting heli-related Web Sites. I have included some of the ones that I frequent – but since this is essentially YOUR newsletter, please send me your additions and I will add them to the list.

Bryce's R/C Heli Page	<a href="http://www.byelectric.com/~fribab/">http://www.byelectric.com/~fribab/</a>
East Coast Model center	<a href="http://www.ecmc.com/#rc">http://www.ecmc.com/#rc</a>
Heli-fever Web Page	<a href="http://helifever.com">http://helifever.com</a>
Leisure Tech	<a href="http://24.113.44.156!/heli/">http://24.113.44.156!/heli/</a>
Netscape Heli Page	<a href="http://www.metareality.com/~nathan/visit.cgi/heli/">http://www.metareality.com/~nathan/visit.cgi/heli/</a>
Rick's RC Heli	<a href="http://www.rcheli.com">http://www.rcheli.com</a>
Tailrtr's R/C Heli Links	<a href="http://www.pcez.com/%7etailrtr/links.htm">http://www.pcez.com/%7etailrtr/links.htm</a>

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## Area Hobby Shops

<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>	<u>City / Area</u>
House of Hobbies	248-9220	Milford
Northern KY Hobbies	283-1110	Florence (YA'LL)
Pit Row	891-7487	Kenwood
Slim's Chopper Repair	831-3173	Milford
Starfleet Hobbies	984-9889	Blue Ash

# Membership Roster

Last	First	Street	City	State	Zip	Telephone	AMA	Paid
Anast	John	5752 Lake Michigan Drive	Fairfield	OH	45014	(513) 829-3950	167274	YES
Belluomini	Bob	8872 Colrain Ave.	Cincinnati	OH	45251	(513) 245-9580	077207	YES
Bridges	Milt	5319 Bonnell Road	Guilford	IN	47022	(812) 487-2100	208151	YES
Davis	Bob	1846 Sherman	Norwood	OH	45212	(513) 531-4765	??????	YES
Drees	Al	7810 Hartford Hill Lane	Cincinnati	OH	45242	(513) 791-5412	523403	YES
Dustrude	Ray	8555 Lynnehaven Drive	Cincinnati	OH	45236	(513) 793-3982	042260	YES
Gaerttner	Bob	8311 Weller Road	Cincinnati	OH	45242	(513) 530-9676	000321	YES
Golgowski	Craig	5845 Price Road	Milford	OH	45150	(513) 248-1864	439037	YES
Harrison	John W	1757 Marquette Avenue	Cincinnati	OH	45230	(513) 232-8833	609808	YES
Harrison	John C	1757 Marquette Avenue	Cincinnati	OH	45230	(513) 232-8833	607543	YES
Helson	Slim	1033 St. Route 131	Milford	OH	45150	(513) 831-3173	183940	YES
Huber	Brian	8006 Cypresstree	West Chester	OH	45069	(513) 874-5652	??????	YES
Koschnitzke	Kurt	3906 East Street	Cincinnati	OH	45227	(513) 271-2541	??????	YES
Knott	Tim	7757 Thomas Road	Middletown	OH	45042	(513) 423-5747	159321	YES
Noel	Daryl	3811 Locke Street	Covington	KY	41015	(606) 491-2613	616833	YES
Kosar	Richard	1336 St. Route 131	Milford	OH	45150	(513) 831-1641	420322	YES
Mercer	Dale	6132 Woodcrest Drive	Burlington	KY	41005	(606) 689-5953	629712	YES
Milligan	Rod	4169 Heritage Glen	Cincinnati	OH	45245	(513) 752-9032	457808	YES
Pack	Brady	5917 Price Road	Milford	OH	45150	(513) 831-4900	577629	YES
Pennell	John	6512 Turtle Point Place	Mason	OH	45040	(513) 754-1577	427502	YES
Rotsching	Gayl	263 Lux Avenue	Cincinnati	OH	45216	(513) 761-1266	097474	YES
Shaw	Jesse	6685 Oakland Road	Loveland	OH	45140	(513) 722-8335	??????	YES
Stephens	Dwayne	9193 Sunderkand Way	West Chester	OH	45069	(513) 755-9193	006571	YES
Walker	Steve	6923-1/2 Cambridge Ave.	Cincinnati	OH	45227	(513) 561-5711	331811	YES

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