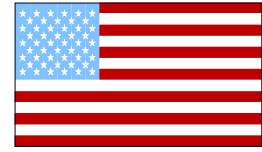
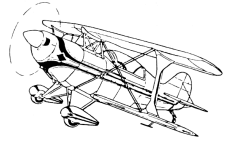




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President's Corner

Mark Rosendale: clrmsr@gmail.com



Hot, steamy, summer greetings to most of you club flyers out there. I am sure that some of you up north are just getting into the best flying weather there now, while here we are dodging thunderstorms and packing up our gear by ten o'clock to avoid the heat.

I would like to talk a bit about the rubber mat that was laid down a while ago on the old runway for the planes with smaller wheels to use. We need to move that out from where it is to deter people from still using it, and possibly creating a dangerous situation. There have been a few suggestions, but no decisions have been made pending input from you.

Basically it all comes down to only two choices, one, move it out to the new runway for use, or two, move it and scrap it. If we move it to the new runway, it will be placed on the west end just east of the taxi way and on the south edge of the runway. Being placed there, it would only be used for take offs and would not be in the way of any inbound or outbound regular air traffic.

Please let me know your positive thoughts on this matter before the next general meeting. You can e-mail me at clrmsr@gmail.com or give me a call in the evenings at 352-588-7939. We will be deciding on the fate of the mat at the next board meeting so your input is encouraged.

Save your money and your used parts for our summer sizzler swap meet. It will be held on August 8th from 8 to 12. Randy Leapley is the contact for that event and he will also be holding an auction around the 11:30 for those that don't want to take their unsold items home. Also keep in mind that this date is our meeting weekend, of which I promise to keep very short that day.

Just a reminder that the next general meeting will be held on July 11th and I certainly hope to see all of you there.

TSF & Have Fun

June Meeting Headlines

Mark Rosendale

The general meeting was held on June 13th and we had a fair showing with about 13 people attending. The following topics were discussed:

- 1.) I will continue to remind everyone that we are looking for members to submit articles. They can be anything R/C or aviation related. Whether it be a “how to” article or just a great personal story, Dave Shaffer would like to get it in print.
- 2.) We discussed purchasing all new training equipment for the club so instructors will have everything they need to train pilots. This would include all major brands of equipment. A suggestion was made to purchase some of these items at the up coming swap meet in August.
- 3.) Speaking of which, we will be holding a swap meet on August 8th beginning at 8:00 A.M. This is being coordinated by Randy Leapley so if you have any questions, please contact Randy.
- 4.) The rubber mat needs to be moved and it will either become part of the new runway or it will go into storage, please see the “presidents corner” article for details.
- 5.) We also briefly spoke about building a North/South runway east of the shelters. Please see the separate article and diagram for more detail.
- 6.) Our new club library is up and running. The board allocated one hundred dollars to be spent on materials. If you are interested in checking out some material, or donating some, please come to the next general meeting and see Dave Hempel.

Current Board Approved Policies of the Zephyrhills Can-AM Flyers

Policy No.1 Membership and Dues

Policy No.2 Field Rules

Policy No. 3 Flight Qualification

Policy No 4. Guests and Visitors

Policy No. 5 Officials' Spending Limits

Policy No. 6. Notice Board

Policy No. 7 Work For Dues

When did you last read the Can-Am club policies?

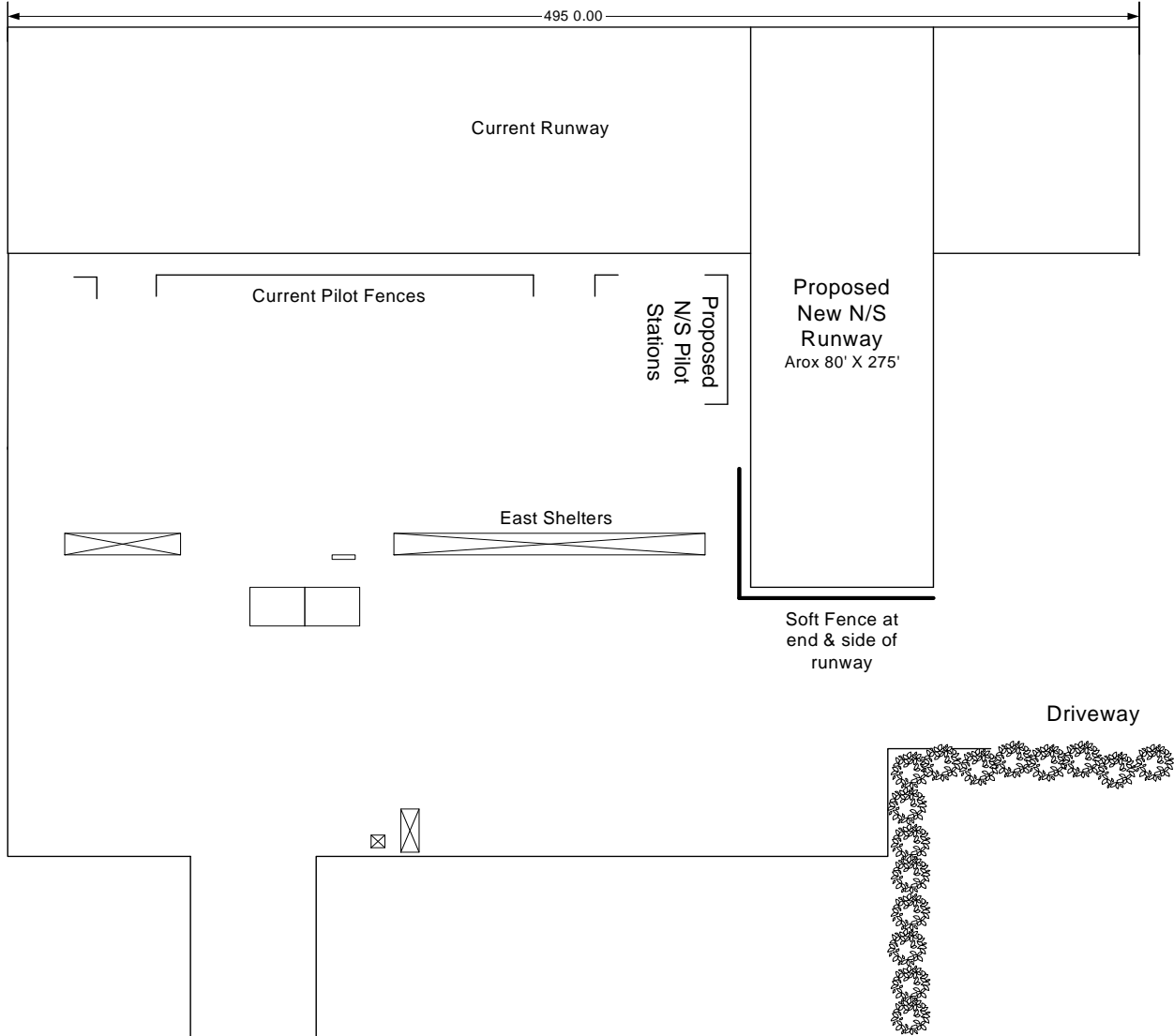
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North South Runway Proposal

By Mark Rosendale

Greetings Can Am members. Recently, we have been discussing the possibilities of creating a North South runway at the field. There really is only one feasible area that we could fit this into without consuming more land which we are not at liberty to do.

You will notice in the diagram below that the new runway would run North and South at the end of the East shelters.



It would be a bit narrower and shorter than the main runway, but it would certainly be adequate for almost everything we fly at the field. There are a few downsides to creating this runway as follows:

- 1.) In the summer months when you are flying, you would be facing the sun in the early morning.
- 2.) Incoming and outgoing vehicle traffic would have to stop at designated areas when there were aircraft in the air and get clearance from the pilot before proceeding.
- 3.) We would need to establish daily flight traffic patterns based on wind conditions with no deviations (in other words, everyone would be required to fly either E/W or N/S for the day).

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North South Runway Proposal, cont'd.

We believe that we would be able to overcome all of the noted drawbacks and create a new flying area that would virtually eliminate our current cross wind flights.

I invite you to PLEASE PROVIDE FEEDBACK. This is certainly not planned for the immediate future and I would like to get a general feel of what everyone thinks regarding this runway before finalizing any details and bringing it to a club vote.

I encourage everyone to please e-mail your input to clrmsr@gmail.com ,or call me in the evening at 352-588-7939, or come see me at the field on most Saturday mornings.

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With so many members, it is easy to lose track of who is where at what time. Thus, some members don't get club information passed on to them. If anything has changed concerning your contact information, please take the time to fill out the following form and give it to one of the Board members as soon as you can.

First Name: _____ MI: _____ Last Name: _____

Address Line 1: _____

Address Line 2: _____

City: _____ State/Provence: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ eMail : _____

Other members at this address:

Name: _____ eMail: _____

Do A Preflight!

Dave Hempel

Important tip on preflighting your models ... JUST DO IT!

On the last Sunday of May, I was enjoying some fun with my little electric park flyer T28 flying in formation and dog fighting a bit with another club member who flies the same type of model.

After about 4 flights, and 4 battery charges, I was on my fifth and last flight of the day. Or so I thought when I began noticing a 'flutter' sound from the model. It was very breezy that day. It only 'fluttered' going up wind with full power on, and it made no sound going down wind.

I landed promptly, but did not notice anything wrong that I could see ... so i took off again and made a few more laps. Then I heard a faint pop sound from the plane and soon realized that one of the elevators departed from the stabilizer. It seemed to take five minutes for it to reach the run way edge when suddenly the other one flew off!

Now that made it interesting! I had some good altitude and was working it down with the throttle gimble when, at about 30 feet, it pitched down and crashed.

I always treated that plane like a cheap toy and really just charged the battery. I would have been okay if I would have grabbed the flight controls during a pre-flight to check.

After 14 years of flying, I got complacent with the little model. Don't do it! Check it before you fly.



So, the next week I picked up a new fuselage and cowling, and gave it a new paint job. Since they all look the same out of the box I wanted it to look different.

I hope to fly it soon ... after a good preflight! Happy flying!



Yes! Yes! Yes!

Dave, while we are all sorry about your misfortune, thank you for the article on the importance of pre-flight checks!

Now comes a shameless plug for someone to write an article (pictures would be good, too) about what is entailed in performing pre-flight checks. Obviously, just looking at a plane is not enough.

Any takers out there? Send submissions to:

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