



## Alvin R/C Model Airplane Association

### Upcoming Events

Here is a list of some of the sanctioned events around our neighborhood.

4/11/2015 -- Texas City, TX (C) TCRCC  
WARBIRD FLY IN & SWAP MEET. Site:  
Holland Park. Harvey Cappel CD

4/11/2015 -- Waco, TX (C) HOTMAC  
CLUB 40 EF1. Site: Hotmac Field. Steve  
Blackwell CD

4/18/2015 -- Bryan, TX (C) 3D MULTI  
ROTOR HELI PLANE FLY IN & SWAP MEET.  
Site: Brazos Valley Rc Modelers Club. Dan  
Gray CD

4/18/2015 -- Crosby, TX (C) PROP NUTS  
ANNUAL FLEA MARKET AND FLY IN. Site:  
Club Field. Taswall Crowson CD

4/18/2015 - 4/19/2015 -- Killeen, TX (C)  
CENTEX MODELERS BIG BIRD. Site: Hall  
Field Stillhouse Lake. H Hillin CD

4/18/2015 - 4/19/2015 -- Kingsbury, TX  
(C) OLD KINGSBURY SPRING FLYIN. Site:  
Old Kingsbury Aerodrome. Frank Simas  
CD

4/23/2015 - 4/26/2015 -- Texarkana, TX  
(C) TEXARKANA BIG BIRD. Site: Wright  
Patman Lake. Gary Strickland CD

4/25/2015 -- Houston, TX (C) WARBIRDS  
OVER JSC. Site: Johnson Space Center.  
Ken White CD

Next club meeting April 25th. Breakfast  
at 7:00 AM and meeting at 9:00 AM

For all sanctioned events visit the AMA  
Calender @ <http://www.modelaircraft.org/events/calendar.aspx>

### President's Message

Saturday April 4, 2014 we held our 25th Annual Big Bird Fly In. After weeks of rain and standing water on our field, a week before our event, the rains stopped, sun came up and a breeze kicked in to add a hair dryer effect – end result field was dry enough to mow and park member, participant, guests and visitor cars. The bottom line - we had a great day, great attendance, great airplanes, great pilots and great friends.

As anyone that has been involved in an event like this knows there are so many factors that can have a very bad impact on the event's outcome. It all starts with the weather which is obviously the one thing we have no control over but somehow it all came together in the last week (if someone would like to take credit for this just remember we will call on you next time). The next most critical element is volunteers "to make it happen." We have been very fortunate over the years with members that are willing to step up and take on whatever task they see that needs to be done. This year I can count more than 20 members that unselfishly contributed the time and effort to make it happen – special thanks to each of you.

And finally the reason for all of this is to make sure our participants, guests and spectators have a fun and safe day – and to this all I can say is mission accomplished!

We had a little bit of an unusual day because even though the weather was good the winds were really bad with crosswinds gusting at times in excess of 20mph. This was probably a contributing factor in a somewhat lower registered pilot count (25) but the overall attendance is estimated to be well over 100. The quality of the flying skills and airplanes was outstanding and everyone did a great job of abiding by the safety rules and handling their airplanes in a safe manner.

A special thanks to our local clubs that helped promote our event, local hobby shops that helped sponsor the event along with the many hobby suppliers that provided raffle and pilot prizes. A list of sponsors and contributors can be found on our website [www.alvinrc.club](http://www.alvinrc.club).

The pictures probably tell the story best of all. As you can see we had a very impressive cross section of planes including many warbirds and two multi engine airplanes – Thanks to everyone for a great day

Benny Behrens

## Steve Leslie's Gilmore

Steve's Gilmore is a BH Models Gilmore Red lion Wedell Williams 30's Racer (don't make it any more unfortunately).



It is 85" span and for a 45-50cc gas engine, his has an EME 55 gas with on-board electric starter system.

Came in over 20lbs and flew great on its first flight, no vices and the EME 55 hauls it around pretty fast with a 22 x 10 Xoar carbon prop.





## 25th ANNUAL BIG BIRD FLY IN

April 4, 2015











## Club Officers

President – Benny Behrens	Vice President & Safety Coordinator– Mike Vawters
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## Newsletter

*Alvin R/C Flight Line* is the official newsletter of the Alvin R/C Model Association. For information or submissions please email [info@alvinrc.club](mailto:info@alvinrc.club).

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