



# Propwash

Official newsletter of the Propnuts Radio Control Model Airplane Club  
Highlands, Texas

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## Word: Snap Rolls

### Definition:

An aerobatic maneuver using fast and full elevator input to stall the airplane while full rudder and aileron controls are inputted in the same direction. The stalled airplane quickly rotates around its center of gravity. The plane will enter a spin if these control inputs are maintained. Using up elevator results in an inside snap roll. Down elevator produces an outside snap roll

## Word: Stall turns

### Definition:

An aerobatic maneuver in which the plane is pointed straight up, loses air-speed and then full rudder is applied. The plane rotates along its yaw axis and points straight down. An attractive maneuver, also sometimes mistakenly called a Hammerhead Stall. A stall turn is done power-off, a Hammerhead uses full power while yawing.

## Word: Chandelles

### Definition:

This mild aerobatic maneuver consists of climbing steep turns. The aircraft flies level at full speed then pulls up to a 45-degree climb. The wings are then banked 45-60 degrees while in the climb resulting in a climbing, 180-degree turn that rolls level at a higher altitude with the aircraft heading in the opposite direction as the entry. This is a fun maneuver for the full-size pilot that almost all full-size light airplanes are certified to perform. But for the model pilot not sitting inside the aircraft, it tends to be rather mild and boring to fly. But it is a good beginning maneuver to find out just what a new model can do.

## Club Officers:

**President:** Allan Smith  
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## Coming Events

**Club Meeting**  
May 20, 2008  
Highlands Community Center,  
Highlands, Texas

5/24/08  
Warbirds Over Space City  
Any size warbird  
Space City RC

5/31—6/01 08  
Propnuts Tru Turn  
IMAC Challenge  
Propnuts RC Club

5/31/08  
Dallas RC Big Bird  
Dallas RC Club

6/06-08/08  
Houston Helicopter Fun Fly  
Space City RC

6/07-08/08  
Warbird Fly-In  
Bomberfield Inc.

06/07-08/08  
Jetero Pattern Classic

## PROP-NUTS R/C CLUB, INC. Minutes of the Meeting Held

April 15, 2007  
Highlands Community Center,  
Highlands, Texas

The meeting was called to order at 7:32PM.

Fourteen signed the attendance log.

**Minutes:** As published in the newsletter.

**MOTION:** By Marty Mankinen to approve the February minutes as published, second by Bill Blakeney, Approved by a show of hands.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Mike Irwin read the treasurers report.

**MOTION:** By Marty Mankinen to approve the treasurers report, Second by Bill Blakeney. Motion approved by a show of hands.

## EVENT REPORT

Allen thanked those who worked the event. He mentioned that several people expressed interest in joining the club. Butch Lucas won the raffle.

## OLD BUSINESS:

Porta potty issues were discussed. Ways to improve event attendance were explored. Safety issues were discussed. It was announced that the Exxon event would not be held this year. The issue of a shirt order was discussed.

## Field Maint.

We will try to get some sand down in the low spots prior to the IMAC event. Phil Spitz has painted the tables and benches.

## NEW BUSINESS:

The IMAC event will be May 31-June 1, Bob Obenberger will sponsor again. The future of the Heli event was discussed. Possible alternative events were discussed.

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Happy Birthday  
To these members in  
May

Jack Edgecomb  
Priscilla Medina  
David Peterson

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**MODEL OF THE MONTH:**

Bill Blakeney presented a Warlord 25 from a Bridi kit it is powered with an OS 25fsr.

David Schmidt presented a Pacific Aeromodels Knockabout, powered with a Fox 50 and a Sprctrum radio for guidance.

Both entries were judged worthy of the award.

**AIRCRAFTUS FRAGMENTUM:**

Belated award from last month.

Allen Smith admitted to crashing his Carden 260 due to a programming error, took off with reversed ailerons.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Taswall G. Cro wson, Jr.  
Secretary

Club Webs

Houston Hawks

<http://houstonhawks.org/>

Houston Sport Flyers

<http://www.houstonsportflyers.com/>

Alvin RC

<http://www.alvinrc.net/>

Bayou City Flyers

<http://www.bcflyers.com/>

Gulf Coast RC Club

<http://www.geocities.com/gcrc2000/>

Jetero RC Club

<http://www.jetero.com/>

Larks – Sulphur LA

<http://www.larksrc.org/>

Prop Nuts RC Club

<http://www.propnuts.com/>

Southwest RC club

<http://www.geocities.com/southwestrc/index.html>

Space City RC Map

<http://www.ama-dist-8.org/Maps/SCRC-1259.gif>

Tri-City Flyers

<http://www.tricityflyers.com/>

Bay City

<http://www.coastalsurf.com/bamac.html>

Bay Port Aero Club

<http://home.earthlink.net/~bpac>

Beaumont RC Club

<http://www.beaumontradiocontrolclub.com>

Bomber Field Inc

<http://www.bomberfieldusa.com/>

Brazoria County Modelers Asso

<http://www.brazoriacountyrc.com/>

Fort Bend Radio Control Club

<http://www.fortbendrc.com/>

Gulf Coast RC Club

<http://www.gulfcoastrc.com/>

Johnson Space Center R/C Club

<http://www.jsrcc.com/>

Northwest Houston RC Club

<http://www.nwrcc.com>

Spring Area Radio Kontrol SOC Sparks

<http://www.sparksrc.com>

Texas City RC Club

<http://www.tcrc.org/>

Tri-County Barnstormers

<http://www.tri-countybarnstormers.com>



**Scale Aerobatics** **TEXAS TRU TURN IMAC CHALLENGE** **TRU TURN**

Crosby, Texas  
May 21-26, June 19, 2008  
Sections #09-0148

Precision flying and sport aerobatics are returning to the Houston area. The Prop-Nuts Radio Control Club of Crosby, Texas is proud to host the third annual Texas Tru Turn Challenge Imac. Seasoned flyers as well as beginners are welcome to come and try their hand at this challenging but fun competition. The Prop-Nuts field is located at 3800 Wolchek Rd. in Crosby, Texas only 30 minutes from downtown Houston. Map and hotel information is at [www.propnuts.com](http://www.propnuts.com). Spectators are welcome free of charge. Food and refreshments will be available. For any information about Imac, go to [www.imac.com](http://www.imac.com). Note that basic competitors can fly any type of aircraft. Additional information can be obtained from the contacts listed below.

Event/Contest Director:  
Allan Smith:AMA 21677  
16146 Bolland  
Crosby, Tx 77532  
281-328-5770  
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Event Coordinator:  
Garrett Westenburg  
281-924-8942

- Registration 7:30 a.m. Saturday
- \$30.00 Entry fee
- Pilots lunch included
- Contestant judging
- Field open for Friday practice
- RV's welcome; No hookups
- Free Stylo Sunday
- Awards for 1st thru 3rd each class



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*From Will Rodgers*

- 1. Never slap a man who's chewing tobacco.**
- 2. Never kick a cow chip on a hot day.**
- 3. There are 2 theories to arguing with a woman... neither works.**

Something you would like to see in the newsletter?

Send it to me.

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Thur 10:00am to 8:00pm  
M-Sat 10:00am to 7:00pm  
Sun 12:00pm to 5:00pm

