

Directions to the Club Meeting Location

Where: South St. Paul Municipal Airport, a.k.a. Fleming Field, located on the southern extremity of South St. Paul, south of 1-494, west of Concord Street and East of Highway 52.

If coming from the western Twin Cities going east on 494:

- Exit at the 7th and 5th Avenue exit (Exit No.65)
- Turn right (South) on 7th Ave and go approximately .6 miles to a 4-way Stop sign. This is South Street W. To your left there will be a McDonald's; to your right front there will be a Walgreen's.
- Turn left (East) at the 4-way Stop onto
- South Street W and go approximately .6 miles. Along the way you will encounter three more Stop signs—the third Stop sign (Henry Avenue) will be a "T" intersection. At the "T" intersection on your left will be homes and on your right softball fields.
- Turn right (south) onto Henry Ave. and go approximately .2

- miles toward the Fleming Field airport terminal building.

If coming from east Twin Cities on westbound 494:

- Exit at the 7th and 5th Avenue exit (Exit No.65)
- Turn left (South) on 7th Ave and go approximately .6 miles to a 4-way Stop sign. This is South Street W. To your left front there will be a small strip mall; to your right there will be an Amoco station.
- Turn left (East) at the 4-way Stop onto
- South Street W and go approximately .4 miles. Along the way you will encounter two more Stop signs—the third Stop sign (Henry Avenue) will be a "T" intersection. At the "T" intersection on your left will be homes and on your right softball fields.
- Turn right (south) onto Henry Ave. and go approximately .2 miles toward the Fleming Field airport terminal building

The terminal is on the right with parking available.

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The group is open to aviation enthusiasts from teenagers on up who are interested in aviation modeling, photography, collecting, art and writing.

The Twin Cities Aero Historians (TCAH) meet the second Saturday of every month at 1:00pm.

See above for the new meeting locations and directions.

Mail Newsletter material to the editor and address changes to the treasurer.

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Consolidated 1:1 scale B-24H Liberator
by Ford Motor Company

The Hook 'em Cow Liberator is completed!

by Dennis Strand

Thanks to Erik Zabel and Don Stauffer, the B-24H model is built and eventually destined to be exhibited in a display at the CAF hanger. The original Hook 'em Cow aircraft was built in March of 1944. She was B-24H-25-FO. In other words, she was a B-24 H model from the 25th production batch of H's and was built by the Ford Company at the

Willow Run facility in Michigan.

She was one of the first B-24s to come to the 458th Bomb Group unpainted. She was assigned to the 755th Bomber Squadron in Norwich, England. Two of the assigned crew members, Captain John Ollom and his crew chief, James McGinn were from South St. Paul, Minnesota, USA. When they took command of the plane they wanted to honor their home town. They named the plane after the Hook 'em Cow Club that was started in 1916 as a booster and goodwill organization to

publicize South St. Paul and its stockyards and meat packing industry, and to participate in the St. Paul Winter Carnival.

The Hook 'em Cow Liberator flew several missions and had various crew members. My research has not been able to nail down how many missions were actually completed. At any rate, on April 14, 1945, a dark and foggy morning, the B-24 came to its end. She took-off from Horsham St. Faith in Norfolk and headed for France. Shortly after take-off its number 2

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TCAH This Month

The monthly meeting will be held October 12, at Fleming Field, South St. Paul, beginning at 1:00 pm. Come early.



President's Report
 by Bernie Kugel

Fall is upon us. NordicCon has come and gone (hope it was a success). As the cold winds blow, hope it gives us more time to work on models.

A check was delivered to the management of Fleming Field for our meeting room rent for 2020. I'm waiting for final conformation, but it looks like we don't have any conflicts with dates this year. But I don't have that confirmed at this time. I will have more on this at the October meeting.

At our September meeting, Mark Copeland discussed having pizza party at an old hobby shop location some time in November. I asked him to write an article with all the details. We opened nominations for next years officers. Dennis Strand said he would run again for Treasurer if no one else stepped up. And Bob Maderich was nominated for Secretary. The President and Vice President positions are still open.

At our October meeting we will have a quick recap of NordicCon. And we will open the floor for Nominations for club officers again. It is not that hard of a job, and having your dues paid for is a nice incentive. If you have never held a position in our club before, please consider it. It is a good thing to keep things fresh and a new group of officers will help our club in it's future.

Model on



Treasurer's Report
 by Dennis Strand

This month we had several sizable expenses that totaled \$854.50. These included: \$179.50 for web site posting, \$325.00 for room rent, \$200.00 to purchase models for the Nordic Con raffle and \$150.00 for awards. On the plus side, 3 members stepped up to pay 2020 club renewal dues that totaled \$45.00. TCAH currently has \$4666.72 in cash. Remember that \$785.69 is reserved for the Dave Heuffmeier Memorial Fund.

To renew your TCAH membership for 2020, you can send \$15.00 to: Dennis Strand, 833 Manomin Ave., St. Paul, MN 55107, if you are not able to attend meetings and I will send you a TCAH 2020 membership card.



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 engine caught fire and the plane struggled to maintain altitude. Near the village of Hainford it hit a power line and crashed.

It was flying with a reduced crew of seven. Five were killed and the other two seriously injured. The men killed in this incident were the last of their unit to lose their lives in the air war over Europe.

Because Don Stauffer created accurate decals and Erik Zabel put forth the effort to assemble and paint the model, a 3-D replica of the Hook 'em Cow Liberator will take its place in a display at the Commemorative Air Force hangar that will bring to memory the proud heritage of this airplane.



Hook 'em Cow Memorabilia
 From the Internet

On The Table—September 2019

Name	Model	Manufacturer	Scale
Bob Maderich	Panzer III	Dragon	1/35
Bob Maderich	Alfa Romeo Guila GTA	Tamiya	1/24
Bob Maderich	Stearman x 2	Revell	1/48
Bob Maderich	DH EE	SBS	1/72
Steve Shaffer	NF-104	Hasegawa	1/32
Steve Shaffer	AH-1Z	KittyHawk	1/48
Steve Shaffer	Apollo CM & LEM	Dragon	1/72
Steve Hustad	Tiger II Abtl 801 diorama	Dragon, Prieser	1/72
Dennis Strand	Savoia Marchetti SM 79	Classic Airframes	1/48
Erik Zable	B-24H	Minicraft	1/72
Harold Parsons	IL-4	Zontag	1/48
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John R Ross	USS Kelvin	Mobius	1/1000