

“Flight of the Hupe”

18th SOS Navigator John Hupe built, flew, & crashed his hand-built, scale model, Stinger AC-119K in 1972. But, like the Phoenix, it will fly again on Saturday September 28th 2012, thanks to John, Lee Kyser, & the Eglin Aero Modellers, a group of 150 radio control aircraft enthusiasts. “Broken models bring tears to our eyes” so they rebuilt & upgraded John’s AC-119K for a historic “Flight of the Hupe.” Join us for a fun & rewarding experience.

The great EAM folks are ready & willing to support, encourage, & help anyone desiring to become involved in this rewarding hobby. Members’ interests encompass all forms of aircraft: helicopters (fueled & electric), gliders, fixed wing (fueled & electric), ducted fan, scale, 3-D, precision aerobatics, & turbine power. They can help with flying instruction, model check-out & trim, building, or just enjoy watching you bore holes in the sky. The EAM meets the 3d Tuesday every month at 7:00 pm in Valparaiso civic hall, next door to Valparaiso Library, across the parking lot from the police station. You will find members at the flying field most Saturday & Sunday mornings, plus Tuesday & Thursday if the weather is good. Visit their website at eglinaeromodellers.org

The Air Force allows EAM to use a portion of the abandoned runway at Test Site C-3 (Field 2) for a flying site. The area is closed to the public, but club members & spectators are authorized access to the flying site *only* for RC model flying. Other uses are *not* permitted (i.e. model rockets, hunting, etc).

To get to the field, go North from Niceville on Hwy 285. Three miles north of the traffic signal light at College Blvd. turn left to Test Site C-3. The gate at the road will be locked. You must meet a club member there to open it. After passing through the gate, turn left onto the dirt road about 20 yards past the fence. **DO NOT** go past the dirt road on the hard surface road. Follow the dirt road to the EAM club gate at the tree line & continue on the road through the woods to the paved taxiway. Before noon ,turn left onto the taxiway & follow the taxiway to the EAM flying site pit area. After noon cross the taxiway & follow the road to the runway. Cross the runway & go left following the tree line to the flying site pit area. **Please DO NOT drive on the improved runway surface (the dark strip between "EAM" & "Field" on the map)! You could seriously harm their runway by doing so.**

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