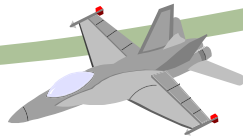


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MEETING NEWS (from May 5th)



Many hands help put up new fencing on "Field Maintenance Day"
Jim Robison photo.

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- ◆ President Rick Castor called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm with 16 members in attendance. The weather was so nice the meeting was held outside in the parking lot.
- ◆ A new (used) trailer has been purchased with club and donated funds that is big enough to haul both mowers with room to spare. The hitch uses a standard 2 inch ball. The tail-gate drops down to form the loading ramp, just like the pros.
- ◆ A hearty thanks and a job well done to everyone that helped out on "Field Maintenance Day", April 26th. Quick work was made removing the old and installing the new wire fence panels. About twenty members spent time cleaning up, mowing and fertilizing. The field never looked better. We were all done by 11 am.
- ◆ The club has inherited some funds from a former separate defunct segment of Hamilton County R/C Fliers. These funds were sitting in a savings account and finally gained the attention of the former treasurer. He forwarded them to us since we are now the Hamilton County R/C Fliers!
- ◆ Mark Schofield made a motion to purchase another new mower. The other mower is a couple years older and could be traded in a few years for a new one. Continuing in this way the club would always have relatively new mowers to use.

2003 CLUB OFFICERS

- President: Rick Castor
- Vice Pres: Steve Percifield
- Secretary: Matt Kemp
- Treasurer: Gene Krodel
- Field Marshal: Phil Compton
- Librarian: Gene Krodel
- Safety Officer: Matt Kemp
- Editor: Laurie Kemp
- Webmaster: Scott Mineart

Meeting Attendees

There were 16 attendees at the March meeting.

*Welcome visitors!

Pete Alexander	Bob Cook	Scott Mineart
Gerry Berner	Myron Demaree	Steve and Kirsten Percifield
Alfonso Brena*	Matt Kemp	Jim Robison
Graham Brookes	Gene Krodel	Mark Schofield
Rick Castor (Steve came late)	Jim Lee*	Ed Sheets

MEETING NEWS (continued)

- ◆ This motion regarding mowers was seconded and approved by a majority vote of members present. Mark volunteered to make the purchase arrangements and also generously offered to sign the financing note.
- ◆ 50 minutes!! That's all the time it takes to mow the flying field runways using two mowers. Please sign up to help mow this summer as either a leader (if you have a trailer hitch) or a helper. There's several open weekends, so please check the web site and pick a weekend!
- ◆ Rick indicated that he's been going out to mow mid-week during these cool wet months just to keep ahead of the rapidly growing grass.
- ◆ There has been several reports of radio interference out at the field recently. No crashes have been directly attributed to this problem yet, just several erratic flights. Frequencies affected most so far have been 24, 30, 24, and 52. Rick indicated that he will call the power company to inquire about the possibility of the wires along the road emitting any RF noise. Steve Percifield will investigate borrowing the AMA's frequency scanner/detector to monitor for RF noise.
- ◆ Don't forget the Camp and Fly Weekend coming up June 14th. Daytime activities, starting around 3, will include lots of open flying time followed by grilling hamburgers. Steve Percifield will conduct a tutorial on Fun -Fly events in preparation for the City-Wide Fun Fly. Events typically include spot landings, limbo, and "Bomb -Drop". Night time flying will be for electric aircraft only. Camp out all night in your tent, back -of-the-truck, or under the stars. Bring something to grill and drink. Grills will be available.
- ◆ Steve demonstrated Glow-Wires. These are small diameter neon tubes that can be attached to your night-flier for about \$30. A set includes the electronic control box and the neon tubing. These should look really cool in the air.
- ◆ Rick will investigate putting a float in the Sheridan "Harvest Moon" festival parade. It is the weekend of October 4/5. We could show lots of airplanes on the float and invite people out to the field to fly on buddy -boxes.
- ◆ Gene reports that the club treasury is still solvent with 51 paid members so far for 2003.

Winning Raffle Results:

Matt Kemp—Fuel	Rick Castor—Allen Wrench Set	Gerry Berner—Zona Razor Saw
Gene Krodel — Soldering Iron	Jim Robison—CA Glue	Ed Sheets— MonoCote Stretcher
Steve Percifield—Fuel Line	Bob Cook—Tubing Bender	

Editor's Reminder

Let Matt or Laurie know if you have any news, articles, pictures, or for -sale items to put in the club newsletter. Use the address or the e-mail addresses on the last page. Notify us by the 15th of each month.

"Show and Tale"



Rick's new Raven

Rick Castor is shown holding his newly finished 46 inch wingspan Raven. This aerobatic bird is a Global ARF and has a OS46FX bolted into the front. Rick hasn't flown it yet, but this weekend is scheduled for first flights if the weather cooperates.

Graham Brookes showed a very interesting Hurricane his father originally built. Graham recovered this warbird and made the tail slightly larger for better stability. The retractable landing gear have oleo struts for added realism. With a new 61 size engine installed, this 8 pound airplane should fly just fine. It looks really good even though Graham says the colors are wrong!

Steve Percifield brought his Aeroworks Edge 540 to the meeting. Sorry the pictures were too dark to show this good looking airplane. Steve's using a

SuperTiger 90 to power this ARF. This airplane has been hit several times with radio interference and is lucky to have survived!

Thanks very much to these guys for bringing airplanes to show. The meetings wouldn't be the same without show -and-tale, so bring in your toys. New, old, unfinished, it doesn't matter. We would like to see them all.

"WWI R/C Fly-In" Art Shelton

Are you interested in early aviation and WWI aircraft? Would you like to participate in a fly-in catering to these model types? I and a few people that I have spoken with this past year in/around south-central Indiana are....and we would if only one were available!

Apparently early bird and WWI enthusiasts are allotted in quantities of 2 or 3 persons per club...or so it seems. Wouldn't it be great to get together a couple of times a year and savor a whole model airfield full of fabric covered wings, flying wires and round engines?! Early birds and the "Dawn Patrol", flying scale models in exactly the way the designers intended. Mission oriented flying at its best. Those magnificent men and their flying machines! Can you imagine all of that? What a picture! It could happen. It is within our grasp!

Goals:

- 1) An annual fly-in for scale aircraft, early birds through WWI, in central Indiana.
- 2) At the same level, enthusiasts join together and visit club to club every 3 or 4 weeks, emphasizing and flying vintage and WWI type airplanes. An unofficial sort of WWI fly-in.
- 3) On the individual front—since you like vintage aircraft and are probably flying some already—I encourage/challenge you to build a 1/3 scale vintage or warbird, WW1 style. Big birds fly so very much better.
- 4) Learn about mission oriented flying. If it is pre-war, display its delicate and graceful flight. If it is a bomber, fly bombing runs. If it is a single seat fighter, then dog fight with it! This type of flying is extremely rewarding to the pilot and very enjoyable for spectators too! Scale flying without the contest jitters. What a treat!

In a nutshell, here it is - If you are interested, then get with your friends and acquaintances that are like-minded. Visit at one another's flying fields every 2—4 weeks or so and generate some local interest. You will find more WW1 enthusiasts in your area than you thought existed in the whole region. These actions and events would occur during 2003. Keep me informed by e-mail and hopefully toward the end of the flying season we can find a spot with the most interest and the best flying field and kick-off our inaugural WW1 Fly-In. This would continue and grow during 2004. Also during 2004 a few 1/3 scale birds should be appearing. The second annual Fly-In would be held. It might even be at a different location. It will be a rousing success! In 2005—I can see it now—The 3rd annual Fly-In, WW1 style with 20 or more 1/3 scale planes. Oh Man! It just keeps getting better!

My name is Art Shelton and I live in Shelbyville, IN. My associates and I would very much like to see this happen, I volunteered locally to send out some information, so I guess I am the guy who will keep track of individual and club responses. If you are so inclined, I will compile a list of large scale planes which are under construction. I am currently flying a 1/4 scale Sopwith Pup and have a 1/5 scale Eindecker E-III test flown on New Years Day. Both are Balsa USA kits and are powered by G-23 gas burners. A 1/3 scale Fokker Eindecker E-I is my next large scale project. The anticipated completion date is the 2003 flying season.

Best Regards,
Art Shelton

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NEXT MEETING:

Monday, June 12th at 7:00 pm
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32, West of Hwy 31 Westfield

We're on the Web! Visit us at
www.hamiltoncountyrct.org

How about it?
Any one else interested in WW1/vintage airplanes?
Let Steve or Phil know—they are both busy building WW1 airplane kits right now!!

Newsletter content:

Please let your newsletter editors know of anything of interest or up coming events.
It's becoming increasingly difficult to continue to come up with new and interesting information!

Thanks!