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Ray Luchetti (Editor)

WINDY! Has been the standard forecast around here for most of May. Even when we get days without rain the Southwest wind has been blowing. President's Tip – If your plane flips out of your hands in the parking lot... just go home. We did get our Pylon Fun Fly off without a cut, pun intended. Read more about it in the Fun Fly report. I am looking forward to seeing those beautiful planes you all have been hunched over getting ready for our Annual Beauty Contest. Remember the **June meeting is at the Forest Preserve shelter at the 83rd Street and Book road location, also known as the Dog Lot. The meeting will start at 7:00pm.**

I am happy to report that Marv was missing at our May meeting because, well ... "He just forgot." That's ok Marv; I have a bit of "some-timers" myself. Marv has updated the club database and a new roster and member frequency report have been posted to the web. Marv is the person to notify if your contact info has changed. We dropped down to 83 members which is typical for us each year. If you have any friends that are thinking about R/C flying let them know about the great club you belong to. Members that recruit new individuals to the club receive 100 points this year. ☺

The club calendar has changed a little with some Fun Fly date changes. Make sure you note them so you don't miss the fun (check the calendar following the Meeting Minutes). Rather than waiting until the end of the year; I want to thank all the committee chairs and members for doing such great work. You all make it a lot easier to run the club when I don't have to do anything. ☺ Keep it up!

Our field is looking great and everyone is following the safety rules. Let's get a little louder on the flight line when calling out your intentions. For those of us that are a little hard of hearing the added decibels are welcomed. I have installed the sign that will denote the "Pattern" on the impound stand as suggested at the May meeting. The sign will allow pilots to be aware of the flight pattern established. LET ME BE CLEAR in what the intent and process for the pattern sign IS NOT. It is not to confront, yell or otherwise belittle pilots that might "go the other way". IT IS a tool that allows for the un-spoken communication to pilots joining the pilots' line that we are all taking off, landing, and flying over the field in the direction of the pattern sign. Does this mean that the pattern can't change? Of course not, when those pilots that are present decide the wind has changed enough for the pattern to change, then do it, and TELL everyone that it has changed. What about crosswinds? Well; each pilot has the responsibility to announce his take-off and landing intentions to the pilots flying. If you wish to take off against the pattern announce it and once airborne turn in such a way to join the pattern. That way when you fly through the field boundaries you should be going in the direction of the pattern. The same is true with landing; you should announce your intentions to the pilots flying. Let us use this new tool to continue our effort as a club to enhance the safety at our field. If you have questions, ask.

Fly safe, and HAVE FUN! Regards, The Pres.





Financial Report

By Marv Luebbert



Financial Report June 1, 2009

Field Fund		Operating Fund	
Balance May 1, 2009	\$ 3,079.31	Balance May 1, 2009	\$ 1,951.80
One new member @ \$65	65.00	Income	
Field Repairs	-25.64	Dues	120.00
Balance June 1, 2009	\$ 3,118.67	Fuel Sales	1,240.84
		Total Income	1,360.84
		Total cash available	\$ 3,312.64
		Expenses	
		Name Tags	-16.08
		Fuel Purchase	-1,240.63
		Total Expenses	-1,256.71
		Balance June 1, 2009	\$ 2,055.93

Newsletter Contributions

Send articles or pictures of interest to the club to:

newsletter2009@propmastersrc.org

The deadline for submissions is the 21st of the month.

Club Newsletters are posted at the club website:

www.propmastersrc.org.



Meeting Minutes By Dave Cotton



Meeting minutes, May 13, 2009

Opening:

The meeting, held at Dean's Dugout, began at 7:40 p.m. and ended at 9:00 p.m. The April Meeting Minutes and Treasury report were approved as published in the Newsletter.

Committee

Reports:

Newsletter	Nothing new to report.
Safety	Fred Page and Bob Mosinski continued, from last month's meeting, the discussion of fly zones at the field. Fred Page also made available a leaflet prepared by the Forest Preserve showing the designated fly zone boundaries.
Fun Fly	Larry Dudkowski mentioned that the Fun Fly event scheduled for May 17 th will be Pylon Racing – please note that a plane can only fly in one category. Bob Mosinski brought in the Polar Bear club stickers – if you flew in this event in the last two years see Bob for your sticker.
Forest Preserve	Bob Mosinski reported that the impound stand has been straightened; patching and painting work still needs to be performed on the stand. The field needs to have weed and feed fertilizer applied and Bob Mosinski will notify the membership of the exact date for this work.
Website	No report.
Library	No report.
Instruction	Ivan Cankov reported that training has started on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at about 6:00p.m. – All are welcome to come out and fly or help out.
Fundraising	Bob Mosinski and Larry Dudkowski were unable to attend the last swap meet at Du Page.
Publicity	Harlan Davis reported that most of the local hobby shops have been updated with club material.
Picnic	No report.
Nomination	No report.
Air Show	As he has done in the past, Dave Engel agreed to chair this year's event.

Old Business:

The fuel from the club's bulk purchase is in, see Bob Mosinski.

Members were reminded to sign the meeting attendance sheet to receive their points.

New Business:

Joe Bartek participated in the Art Chester Commemorative Event sponsored by the Downers Grove Park District on May 2nd. Joe reported that balsa models were provided for the children in attendance to fly. Some were accurate and others landed in the trees. The Woodland Aero Modelers were also present at the event.

Blee Nichols and Dave Carlson helped out at the Cub Scout's Drive, Fly & Boat event held on April 17th.

All were thanked for getting out and promoting our hobby.

The membership agreed that the Air Show will be held in July and the Annual Beauty Contest will be held at June's meeting at the Springbrook Forest Preserve – Book Road Shelter (same location as last year).

New Members &

Guests:

Welcome Fran Kapper, Dennis Moses and Jim Deppe', Thanks for coming to the meeting. Sorry if I've miss-spelled your name.



Meeting Minutes By Dave Cotton



Lost Horizons:

This month's SAD Patch was presented to Dave Engel for his Mig CRASHES. Ivan, and his student Jack, were also busy destroying balsa. ☹

Show and Tell:

(See photo section)

Dave Engel	Maxford JN-4 Jenny ARF in yellow with a 25 size engine.
Bill Hickey	P-38 by Nitro Planes in red with two electric motors.
Dave Russell	¼ scale Corsair cut kit designed by Don Smith. The plane is powered by a 170cc engine and is finished in standard Navy Blue covering.
Fred Page	Showed an Escapade ARF by Great Planes with a 46 size engine in a nice Red and white color scheme.
Jim Deppe'	Great Planes Cub kit in Cub yellow with a 46 LA engine. Almost complete.
Joe Bartek	Field Dolly by JPB Manufacturing – nice job!
Mark Froelich	Electric Heli – Skyretec in white and blue. Great presentation Mark.
Ivan Cankov	L-39 Albatross ARF by Electrify (Great Planes) with an EDF motor, no gear in blue and grey.
Bob Mosinski	Showed a stripped-down Kaos 40 ARF by Tower Hobbies which he will be using for his upcoming covering demo.

Raffle:

The raffle was conducted by Rich Schaeffer and included a lot of great stuff.

Closing:

The next meeting will be at the Book Road Shelter at 7:00 (one-half hour earlier than usual) on June 10, 2009.
Bring your beauties out.

2009 CLUB CALENDAR

Monthly Meeting	Fun Fly Date	Fun Fly Event
June 10 th (Beauty Contest at Book Road Shelter)	June 14 th	Old School Washer Drop
July 8 th	July 12 th	Air Show
August 12 th	July 18 th	Combat Demo at FVAC Festival of Flight
September 9 th	August 16 th	Pattern Contest & Practice for Barnstormers Event
October 14 th	September 13 th	Barnstormers Competition at our field.
November 11 th	September 20 th	Annual Club Picnic
December 9 th (Christmas Auction)	October 18 th	Qualification Sunday
	November 15 th	Mystery Contest
		No Fun Fly – Happy Holidays



May 13th. Meeting Photos

By Ray Luchetti



Dave Engel – Maxford JN-4 Jenny



Bill Hickey – P-38



Dave Russell – 1/4 scale Corsair



Fred Page - Escapade



Jim Deppe' – Great Planes Cub



Joe Bartek – Field Dolly



Mark Froelich – Electric Heli



Ivan Cankov – L-39 Albatross



Bob Mosinski – Kaos 40 ARF



Fun Fly Committee



Pylon Racing Fun-Fly Report

Considering how many days we have had rain, high winds, and a north/south crosswind I realized how lucky we were to have such a nice day for this month's fun fly. Mother Nature stomped on some events recently, but not Pylon racing!

President Bob Mosinski and Doug Vallee helped run the event - our Prez offered his own stimulus package: 5 points for each additional class a pilot enters in addition to the one-time 10 point award! Ed Slanina's Great Planes Super Sportster finished just a hair before Dave Newberry's Lanier Shrike kit, that race was just the two of them and was a blast to watch as they were neck to neck the whole time. Ivan took 1st place in Open class intrepidly flying his 1/4 scale Extra 300, grabbed victory in combat heat #2 and also brushless. Dan Nosek won trainer, Ed Slanina claimed brushed, and Mike Vander Kolk had an impressive flight in Beginner class. Scott Lundin finished 1st in 46 class and above with his fiberglass patriotic plane. Bill Hickey earned first in quickie 500 with his (may I add kit built) Dominator. And as if this was not enough fun, Ray Luchetti, with Ivan at the controls, maiden'd his beautiful Big Boy kit after the event; Dan and Ivan also set up and maiden'd Dan's new electric biplane.

The contest results are as follows:

NAME	Total Points Earned	Points Earned on This Row	HOW EARNED			Class
			Participate (one time 10, 5 per race)	Attended Event, one time award	Scoring Points	
Alex Dribinsky	20	20	10	10		Raced in open Class .46 & Above
Andy Widlacki	30	30	10	10	10	3d Unlimited - Combined
Bill Hickey	90	10	10			Raced in Electric Brushed event
Bill Hickey		15	5	10		Raced in Trainer event
Bill Hickey		5	5			Raced in Electric Brushless event
Bill Hickey		35	5		30	1st "Q-500 Quickie"
Bill Hickey		25	5		20	2nd Combat SPAD Heat #1
Bob Mosinski	20	20	10	10		Thanks for coming! Did not fly
Craig Vander Kolk	65	40	10	10	20	2nd Combat SPAD Heat #2
Craig Vander Kolk		25	5		20	2nd Unlimited - Combined
Dan Nosek	50	50	10	10	30	1st Trainer Class
Dave Engel	80	40	10	10	20	2nd Trainer Class
Dave Engel		15	5		10	3rd Brushless
Dave Engel		25	5		20	2nd Open Class .46 & Above
Dave Newberry	40	40	10	10	20	2nd Open Class .45 & Under
Dave Suica	25	20	10	10		Raced Combat SPAD Heat #1
Dave Suica		5	5			Raced in Unlimited - Combined



Fun Fly Committee



Pylon race results continued:

NAME	Total Points Earned	Points Earned on This Row	Participate (one time 10, 5 per race)	HOW EARNED	Scoring Points	Class
				Attended Event, one time award		
Doug Vallee	20	20	10	10		Thanks for coming! Did not fly
Ed Slanina	85	50	10	10	30	1st Electric Brushed
Ed Slanina		35	5		30	1st Open Class .45 & Under
Fred Page	20	20	10	10		Raced in Unlimited - Combined
Hank Bourassa	30	30	10		20	2nd Electric Brushed
Harlan Davis	10	10		10		Thanks for coming! Did not fly
Ivan Cankov	135	30	10	10	10	3rd Electric Brushed
Ivan Cankov		35	5		30	1st Brushless
Ivan Cankov		35	5		30	1st Open Class .46 & Above
Ivan Cankov		35	5		30	1st Combat SPAD Heat #2
Jack Macpherson	10	10		10		Thanks for coming! Did not fly
Jason Boettcher	130	30	10	10	10	3rd Trainer Class
Jason Boettcher		25	5		20	2nd Brushless
Jason Boettcher		15	5		10	3rd Open Class .46 & Above
Jason Boettcher		25	5		20	2nd "Q-500 Quickie"
Jason Boettcher		35	5		30	1st Combat SPAD Heat #1
Jim Lang	10	10		10		Thanks for coming! Did not fly
Marv Luebbert	20	20	10	10		Raced in open Class .46 & Above
Matt Vander Kolk	10	10		10		Thanks for coming! Did not fly
Mick Pfeifer	40	20	10	10		Raced in open Class .46 & Above
Mick Pfeifer		15	5		10	3rd Combat SPAD Heat #2
Mick Pfeifer		5	5			Raced in Unlimited - Combined
Mike Vander Kolk	50	50	10	10	30	1st Beginner Class
Scott Lundin	50	50	10	10	30	1st Unlimited - Combined
Tom Camp	35	20	10	10		Raced in Electric Brushless event
Tom Camp		15	5		10	3rd Combat S Heat #1

Beauty Contest June 10th Meeting

Yes, it's that time of year again. The annual Prop Master's Beauty Contest is upon us and will be held on Wednesday June 10th at our regular meeting. The meeting location will be at the 83rd Street and Book Road shelter, and **don't forget that the meeting will start at 7:00pm.**



Fun Fly Committee



Here's how it works. Bring your best looking model and enter it in one of the five Beauty Contest categories: **Trainer, Sport, Scale, Foamie or Open Class.** When you enter your model you will receive a card with a number on it. Attach this number to your model. At break time everyone will get to vote for one model in each of the classes plus a Best of Show class. After the break, votes will be totaled and the winners announced. Points will be awarded for participation (just like a Fun Fly); first, second and third places in each class as well as first, second, and third place for Best of Show. Everyone who enters a model in the contest will receive a complimentary picture of themselves with their model. So let's start scrubbing, patching and cleaning those models.

Here are the rules. You may enter only one model in the contest. We are not having separate classes for ARF's. The difference between an ARF and a kit will be noted at registration time. Kit models will receive a 5-vote advantage (about 10%). That is, they will start with 5-votes and any additional ballots they receive will be added to that.

The rule definition of a kit model: To be considered a kit the model must be constructed entirely by the person entering the plane, starting with a kit (box of sticks), set of plans or from scratch. I.E, it was not already pre-assembled and or covered when you opened the box. SPAD's and other Combat type models will not be considered kits.

We are looking forward to seeing all of those great models at the field on the 10th starting at 7:00 pm.

June Fun-Fly

This month's event will be the **Old School Washer Drop.** This event was voted the most popular by all of the members who voted years ago. The date of the event is **Sunday June 14th** with a rain date on the 28th due to the Father's Day Holiday. Competition will start at approximately at 10:30 am, with open flying both before and afterwards.

Here's how it works. The Fun-Fly committee will supply the "washer". A target will be marked on the field. The pilot must take off and make one circuit of the field. After completing the circuit, the pilot can begin his 'attach' run at his discretion.

This year Pilots must use the skewers and/or cups and rubber bands supplied by the Fun-Fly Committee. No servo assisted mechanisms are allowed (something different for us this year). You may place the washer over the dowel or in the cup. Dropping the washer is done by performing some maneuver such as a loop, a roll or holding inverted flight until the washer is released.

Here are the rules. The pilot whose washer lands closest to the target is the winner. Next closest will be second, etc. First, second and third places in each pilot class will be awarded points at the usual value of thirty, twenty and ten points each.

The standard washer consists of a steel washer having a 2" outside diameter, 1" inside diameter with a streamers of ribbon attached supplied by The Fun-Fly Committee.



Fun Fly Committee



Pylon Racing Fun Fly - Sunday May 17th.



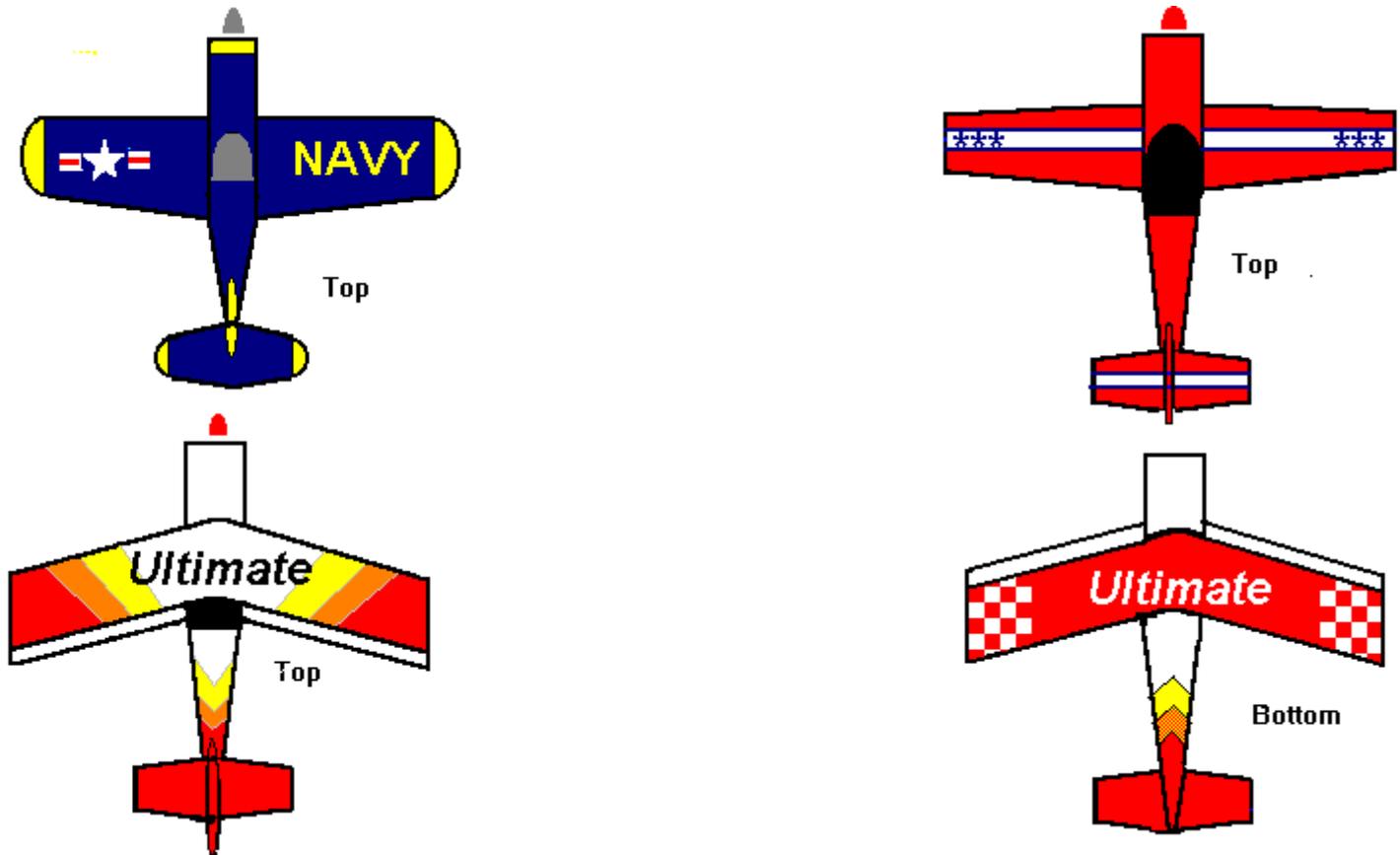
Jason Boettcher and the Fun-Fly Committee



Hints Information, Tips and Stuff By Larry Dudkowski



You may recall that at May's meeting Bob Mosinski, (The President), as part of his upcoming covering demo, discussed covering techniques, covering design and color schemes. One of his suggestions was to use the PAINT application that comes with WINDOWS to try out different colors and trim schemes for your model. Below are samples of some of the models I have done using the PAINT application.



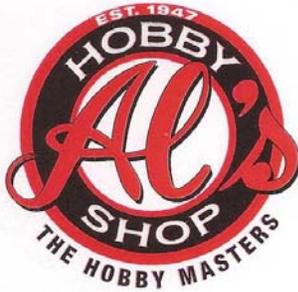
I start out by creating a line drawing of the model in PAINT. Don't worry about creating an exact drawing of the model; you just need to capture the rough outline. Once I'm happy with the outline, I save it as "Model-Name-Blank". I then copy the blank outline and "paint" the copy. That way I always have a blank to start with and can save as many different trim schemes, as I like. If I need to modify the blank, I make a copy and modify the copy, deleting the original ONLY when I'm happy with the new blank. I also use the model blanks printed at the end of the Great Planes instruction books. I scan them in as a BMP file and use PAINT to color them. Just remember to keep that blank original.

I have several blanks and 'PAINTED' versions of models. If you're interested drop me an EMAIL at dudkowlvd@aol.com. Tell me what you're looking for, if I have it, I'll send it to you. If you would just like to see what I have, that's OK too.

Fly Smart, Fly Safe, Larry Dudkowski

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Next Meeting: June 10th @ 7:00 p.m. at the
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Contest).
Fun Fly: June 14th Old School Washer
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