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PROP MASTERS R/C NEWSLETTER



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NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS

MARCH, 2018

Hey Guys,

It's March and winter is getting close to an end, yah right, we'll see. If you were not at the last meeting, you missed a change we made to our Fun Fly day. We will now have the fun flies on the first Saturday after our monthly meeting. The time has also changed to 11:00 am, this will allow the parking lot to open up.

Talking about the fun flies, we will try to have our first one on April 7th. That does not leave much time to get an airplane ready and to get some practice in. So start by getting your favorite fun fly airplane ready, you know, your go to plane. Cycle the batteries; check all control surfaces, hinges, fuel lines, fix what is needed, replace what is worn out. Then get out and fly.

The field looks good. The sun is not much of a problem so go and have fun. We will be having our winter project show and tell, at our April meeting. That leaves some time to finish up whatever you are working on. I am looking forward to seeing some great looking aircraft. There will be lots of points given out for this event. So get into your shop and enjoy your build. Remember all the shop safety items we have talked about.

With the weather getting better "I Hope" we will be starting our training season soon. I am looking at the first of May to start. We can always use more help at the field either with the flying, or preflight inspections, and radio checks. So come out and join in the fun, or just do some flying and converse with other club members.

With the start of a new season, we will have new people coming out to fly their new toys, being an airplane, helicopter, quad, or whatever. Most of them will not know the rules of the field or how use their new toys. So let's take some time and teach all newcomers the right way to fly and be safe, and good field etiquette. Educating people is the key to success.

Fly Safe.
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Tommy





Financial Report

Bill Hickey



Financial Report February 1 2018 to February 28, 2018

Description	Operating Fund	Field Fund	Total	Comments
Balance February 1, 2018	\$1,935.60	\$3,467.34	\$5,402.94	
Income:				
Dues	280.00		280.00	41 members paid up to-date.
Brand	15.00		15.00	Sold a hat.
Total Income	295.00		295.00	
Total Cash Available	\$2,230.60	\$3,467.34	\$5,697.94	
Expenses:				
Hall Rental	50.00		50.00	To the Church.
Board Expenses	200.00		200.00	2018 Charter & Insurance.
Total Expenses	250.00		250.00	
Balance February 28, 2018	\$1,980.60	\$3,467.34	\$5,447.94	

Attention Members

It's time to pay your dues. The regular membership dues are \$40 per year, a family membership is \$55 and a junior membership is \$15. Please note that if you joined the club during the last quarter of 2017, your dues carry over into 2018 and no additional payment is required.

When paying your dues, please complete an updated membership form and either mail the form with your payment to me or turn it in with your payment at the next meeting. The membership form is on the Prop Masters R/C Aero Club's website and is also included with this newsletter. Checks should be made out to the Prop Masters R/C Aero Club and my address for mailing is listed below:

Bill Hickey, Prop Masters Treasurer
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Meeting Minutes

Dave Cotton



Meeting minutes - February 27, 2018

Opening:

President Tom Camp presided over the meeting.

The meeting began at 7:30pm at the Community United Methodist Church 20 North Center Street, Naperville, Illinois. The January meeting minutes were approved as published in the newsletter and the January Treasurer's Report, as published in the newsletter, was read to the membership.

Committee

Reports:

Newsletter	Ray Luchetti stated "OK".
Safety	Mick Pfeifer reminded the membership to cycle their NICAD batteries and to make sure they have a minimum of 80% capacity.
Fun Fly	No report requested.
Forest Preserve	Tom Camp stated the wind sock will need replacement along with a corner panel on the impound stand.
Website	Reported on the website and that he will be posting the latest newsletter.
Library	Hank Bourassa stated the library "is there".
Instruction	Tom Camp mentioned that instruction will begin in the spring. Tom also stated that if anyone is interested in helping out they should let him know; we always need fresh bodies and all are welcome.
Fundraising	No report requested.
Publicity	No report requested.
Nomination	No report requested.
Air Show	The Air Show has been scheduled for Saturday June 30 th .
Picnic	No report requested.

Old Business:

The membership was reminded that the outside doors to our meeting room lock at 8:30pm – If you're making multiple trips to your car to pack up your Show –N- Tell; make sure someone is available to let you back in.

New Business:

The membership had an open discussion of the 2018 event calendar and in an effort to increase attendance it was decided to move the Fun Fly contests from Sundays to Saturdays starting at 11:00 am.

New Members & Guests:

Welcome to Neil Miller.

Lost Horizons:

No Lost Horizons requested.



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Show and Tell: (See photo section)

Harold Finch	ZMR Quad.
Mick Pfeifer	Quad BBT (Built by Tommy) kit.
Peter Fales	Kadet LT-40 by Sig. A re-build in a white and black color scheme.
Jim Farina	Cabin bi-plane kit.
Jim Farina	Gee Bee model D built from scratch.

Raffle:

The raffle was presented by Mick Pfeifer and included a Tiger 60 knock off ARF, a Fighter Book, gorilla glue, winter transmitter mitt and safety glasses.

Closing:

The next meeting will take place at the Community United Methodist Church at 20 North Center Street, Naperville, Illinois at 7:30pm on Tuesday March 27, 2018.

Newsletter Contributions
Send newsletter contributions to the
Newsletter Editor at rluchetti@att.net.

**The deadline for submissions is the
second Tuesday of the month.**
Club Newsletters are posted at the club
website: www.propmastersrc.org.



February 27th. Meeting Photos

Ray Luchetti



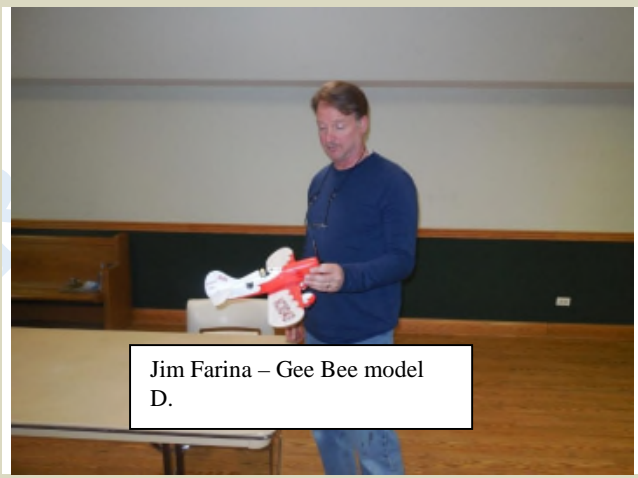
Harold Finch – ZMR Quad.



Harold Finch – FPV goggles.



Mick Pfeifer – Quad (Built by Tommy).



Jim Farina – Gee Bee model D.



Jim Farina – Cabin bi-plane.



Peter Fales – Kadet Lt-40.



Fun Fly Committee



April Fun Fly 04/07/2018

It is time to shake off the winter blues and enjoy our first Fun Fly of the year which will take place on Saturday April 7th.

We are trying something different this time. We call it LIMBO. No you don't have to lean way back and cripple your back. Let your airplane do the work for you. The idea is to fly low under a ribbon stretched across the runway on long poles. The initial height will be set at 20 ft. (open for discussion). If you manage to fly through you pass on to the next round. If you touch down after passing under the ribbon you get 10 points and that's it. If you cut the ribbon you also get 10 points but we don't want you to cut the ribbon since it has to be replaced. The flyers who pass through the gap move on to the second round. The ribbon will be lowered by 5 feet and they will have a second attempt. If there are more than one pilot still left in the running a final attempt will be with the ribbon set at 10 ft. high. Any who pass through on this attempt will share first place. Points will be as per other fun fly's. i.e. 50 for first, 40 for second and 30 for third.

This is intended to be a fun fly so let us have fun. Any disputes will be handled by the Fun Fly Committee and decisions will be final.

I realize that this is new to all of us so we should discuss the details at our March club meeting and make any agreed upon modifications.

Jack

2018 Calendar

Date	Event Type	Event Details	Notes
January 1 st .	Special Event	Polar Bear Fun Fly 10:00 am at the field.	Cancelled due to weather, meeting held at McDonald's
January 30 th	Monthly Meeting		
February 27 th .	Monthly Meeting	Winter Project sign up.	
March 27 th .	Monthly Meeting		
April 7 th	Fun Fly #1	Limbo (not how high, but how low).	Postponed one week due to Easter.
April 24 th	Monthly Meeting	Winter Project Show and Tell.	
May 5 th	Fun Fly #2	Climb and Glide, combat & Quad Racing.	
May 29 th	Monthly Meeting		
June 2 nd	Fun Fly #3	Bust them Balloons, combat & Quad Racing.	
June 26 th	Monthly Meeting		
June 30 th .	Special Event	Air Show.	



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July 7 th	Fun Fly #4	Qualification Day, upgrade your level.	Postponed one week due to 4 th of July Holiday week.
July 31 st	Monthly Meeting		
August 4 th	Fun Fly #5	Practice for Barnstormers Event.	
August 11 th	Special Event	Rive Walk static demo and Try Fly.	
August 28 th	Monthly Meeting		
Sept.8 th	Fun Fly # 6	Washer Drop, combat & Quad Racing	Postponed one week due to Labor Day Holiday.
Sept.22 nd	Special Event	Annual Picnic,	
Sept.25 th	Monthly Meeting		
October 6 th	Fun Fly # 7	Speed Loops Spot Landing, combat & Quad Racing.	
October 30 th	Monthly Meeting		
Nov.3 rd	Fun Fly #8	Taxi Takeoff Spot Landing, & Quad Racing.	
Nov.27 th	Monthly Meeting		
Dec. 1 st	Fun Fly #9	Rock Rattle and Roll, Combat & Quad Racing.	Weather dependent.
Dec. 25 th	Monthly Meeting	Christmas Auction	Date to be determined.

Fun Fly's will be on Saturday with Sunday as the rain day. Starting time has also changed to 11:00am, this should help with parking.

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Prop Masters Organization & Contact Information

Officers/Board Members:

Position	Name	Email address	Phone #
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St. Charles, Illinois
630-587-1256

Leisure Hours Hobbies
16300 S. Lincoln Highway (RT 30)
Plainfield, Illinois 60586
815-439-1477

Oakridge Hobbies
15800 New Avenue
Lemont, Illinois
630-435-5900

Strictly RC
7719 West Lawrence Ave.
Chicago, Illinois
708-456-9100

Walt's Hobby Shop
Joliet/Crest Hill, Illinois 60435
815-741-0043

**Next Meeting: Tuesday March 27th. @ 7:30
p.m. at the Community United Methodist
Church 20 N. Center St. Naperville, IL.**

Fun Fly: April 7th, Limbo contest.

Prop Masters R/C Aero Club Membership Form

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Du Page Forest Preserve Permit #: _____ AMA #: _____

Email Address: _____

Home Phone #: _____

Work Phone #: _____

Choose Below: Make Check Payable to **Prop Masters R/C Aero Club**

Family Membership (Two or more living at the same residence): \$ 55.00

Senior Membership (Age 22 or Older): \$ 40.00

Junior Membership (Age 1 to 21): \$ 15.00

Initiation Fee: \$ 65.00 (One time only for new members, Junior Membership is exempt)

Total \$ _____

Send To: Bill Hickey

Treasurer – Prop Masters R/C Aero Club

305 White Oak Drive Naperville Illinois 60540

DUES SHOULD BE PAID BY April 1st.

My primary interest is: Pattern: _____ Sport: _____ Electric: _____ Soaring: _____ Giant: _____ Scale: _____ Other: _____

In 20__ I plan to use the following RC frequencies: a: _____ b: _____ c: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY

1. Entered in Prop Masters Member Tracker
2. Entered in Prop Masters Points Tracker
3. Badge ordered = Badge received