

# *Plane Talk*

July 2009



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## ***Next Meeting***

Wednesday July 8, 2009 @ 7:00 p.m.  
At the Quad City Skyraider's Flying Field  
Moline, IL



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## Minutes

. Meeting called to order by president Rockne Broseman at 7:00  
10 members present.

Minutes read and approved.

Treasurer's report read and approved.

### Business:

1. Park was opened today
2. Meeting June 18<sup>th</sup> with Milan to finalize 4<sup>th</sup> of July flying to be held July 3<sup>rd</sup>.
3. Freeport Sneek-In June 13<sup>th</sup> Fly-In
4. Morrison open house June 13<sup>th</sup>.
5. Motion made and accepted to buy a Park Zone airplane for a raffle at Milan July 4<sup>th</sup>.
6. Larry Newberry has offered the use of his field as the flying site for the Skyraiders. More discussion on this matter at the next several meetings. A decision will be made at September meeting to stay or move from present site.
7. Kelly gave a report on combat meet in Lima, Ohio. They had fun as usual.

### Show and Tell:

Ward Blubaugh displayed two electrics. One is a float plane that should fly good and the other plane was a biplane that will be flown soon.

Rick Haney showed a Byran 1/5 scale P51 Mustang that needs some tender love and care.

Meeting adjourned 8:00.

*Respectfully Submitted by Rick Haney - Secretary*

## **Calendar of Events**

July 3 Fun Fly Milan Camden Park 3pm – dusk; Fireworks follow  
July 8 QCSR meeting 7pm at the field weather permitting  
July 11-12 Whirlybird's Fun Fly QCSR Flying Field 9AM  
July 12 Iowa City Areohawks Air Show  
July 19 Morrison Fun Fly Contest Morrison, IL 9AM  
Aug 9 QCSR Fun Fly – Contest  
Aug 12 QCSR meeting 7pm at the field weather permitting  
Aug 16 Erie Fun Fly  
Aug 23 QCSR Float Fly  
Sept 12 Bud Miller Fly-In Davenport Sod Farm 9AM

## **REMINDER: JULY 3<sup>RD</sup> MILAN CAMDEN PARK FUN FLY**

**Come join the 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivities!**

**We will be flying from 3pm until dusk in the 'bowl' area in the park. It will be open flying, 'combat – slow sticks', just some plane fun. There will be a raffle of a Parkzone Citabria system.**

**In the past there have been food vendors in attendance, or you can bring in your own eats. Fireworks will start at dark. Just let the security personnel know that you are with the RC Plane group and they will show you where to park. So grab the family, a plane (electric) or two, and come out and join us.**

**If you don't fly, still come out, there are always a lot of questions and we will need help with the raffle. Rain date:**

**July 4<sup>th</sup>.**

## **Important Notice**

At the next meeting Wednesday July 8<sup>th</sup>, we will be discussing the issue of moving our club out to Larry Newberry's flying site. Your input is important and the only place you can express it is attending the meeting. This will be the second time that this subject will be brought up. There will be no vote on this at this meeting, the vote will probably be at the August or September meeting. This decision should not be taken lightly, both fields have plusses and minuses, so come out and let your point of view be known. We will be also discussing our up-coming contest and float fly-ins.

## Iowa City Aerohawks Air Show on July 12 from 1- 4 p.m.

All the action's at the Areohawk Flying Field and it's ALL FREE.

West on Melrose Ave., beyond the 218 interchange,

Then left towards the Landfill\*\*\*\* just follow the signs!

Bring a lawn chair and sun protection.



### **How I See It – by Rick Haney**

I have been trying to be upbeat about the flying field but I just don't know what to say. The field had water on it again and there is more rain in the forecast. We had the field in usable condition and now the park gate is locked again. The fly over area is a swamp, so if you have a

plane go down in there it won't be good.

At the last meeting it was brought to light that Larry Newberry offered his flying field to be used as our club field. It looks better every minute to move our "play ground". His field is wide open, for the most part, with houses to the south. The houses aren't too much of a factor. The only problem is that you face the west to fly. In the afternoon you will be looking into the sun. It can be dealt with by flying above or below the sun. Come to the next meeting because we will, I'm sure, to talk is length about this. **COME AND VOICE YOUR OPINION.**

Enough gloom. I will look at some good stuff! Mark and I went to Morrison, to their Open House event. It rained in the morning, of course, but we had a good time. That was on Saturday, and on Sunday we were going to go to Freeport to the Sneek In but decided to go to Hillsdale and fly our big planes. Again we had a good time.

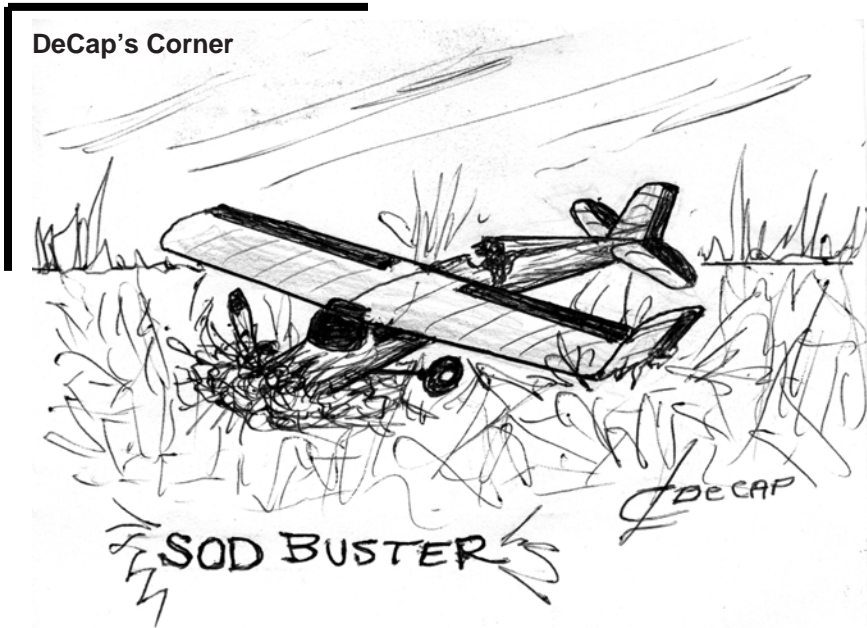
By the way you all know that we do have an invite from all the fields in the area to use their flying sites while our field is not usable. Don't let the water on our field stop you from enjoying the hobby.

The scale meet is today as I write this. I was going to take my Fly Baby and participate but my help called to help me install a picture window in my house so it had to be done when I could get the help. It is quite heavy and I can't install it by myself. The next item on the list for our club is the **CONTEST!** I hope we will be able to have the event. We couldn't have it last year because of the flood and it sure looks like we might not be able to have it this year. We will have the Float Fly, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, weather permitting. Extra water doesn't seem to enter into the equation on this event. This event looks to be getting larger each year.

When we aren't flying much there isn't much to talk about. So I'll see you at the next meeting.

Have a good one – Rick

## DeCap's Corner



### For Sale

60" Brushless ZAGI RX Ready..... has New brushless motor from zagi.com (trickrc.com) The motor and mount alone were \$100. I am looking for \$115, so its like getting a built Zagi, ESC, and 2 servos for \$15....

Let me know if you have any questions: Shawn Guilfoyle  
Quad City Toyota, 4618 Brady St. Davenport, IA 52806  
Toll Free 1-888-391-4106 Local 563-391-4106  
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Have a plane or some equipment for sale? Send your information to [mcobert@mchsi.com](mailto:mcobert@mchsi.com) to get it placed in the newsletter.

### Tips and Tricks

#### **Sandblaster Sandpaper and Foam Sanding Blocks**

There has been some recent discussion on SAM Talk about the merits of a 3M product called Sandblaster Sandpaper. It's available at Sherwin Williams Paint Stores and at Home Depot, and is supposedly

superior to all other forms of sandpaper. It doesn't like getting wet or high humidity—not usually a problem in Southern California. But it's said to last for a long time and cut very well.

The SAM Talkers had another tip about a source for sanding blocks. Apparently paint and dry wall stores carry white foam sanding blocks that are about a foot long and two- or three- inches wide. The back of the block is molded in a curved shape to fit your hand. The large block would be just the ticket for sanding an old timer wings, and the foam backer wouldn't tend to dig in. Of course you can chop that foam block up into just about any shape you want for smaller sanding blocks.  
—*From the Southern California Ignition Flyers newsletter*

### Tail Weight

During the process of building your next masterpiece, it may become apparent that tail weight is required. Lead weight for fishing lines is available at most sporting goods stores in the form of round (about 1/8-inch diameter) strips, several inches long. The strip lead is easy to cut up and embedded in the model during construction. For example, strips of lead inserted under the triangle stock can be used to reinforce the fin or stabilizer on most model designs. It can also be inserted into wing tips to provide lateral balance.

—*From the Concord Skyhawks, reprinted in Schoolcraft Skyhawks R/C Airplane Club newsletter*

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