

Plane Talk

JUNE 2009



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Next Meeting

Wednesday June 10, 2009 @ 7:00 p.m.
At the Quad City Skyraider's Flying Field
Moline, IL



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Minutes

May 13, 2009

Meeting was called to order by president Rockne Brosman at 7:03.
10 members were present.

Minutes read and approved.

Treasurer's report read and approved.

Business:

1. No one went to the Park Board meeting last month.
2. Mower need some tender love and care.
3. A list of field clean up items is being made.
4. Mike Cobert will check with Milan to find a time to meet about the 4th of July flying event.
5. The committee will meet to set the events for our contest.
6. The meeting with Dean, to see their planes, will be rescheduled at a later date.

Program:

Glen Williams put on a very informative program on respirators. He covered the correct fitting of the respirator and what type to use for the use of CA adhesives, dust and more.

Show and Tell:

Larry McWorthy had his 60 size Aeroworks Edge 540 to show. Power is a 91 OS four stroke.

Mark Cronister displayed his 101inch wingspan Yack.

Power is a twin cylinder BME 110cc gas engine. Weight is 25# give or take a bit. Mark also had a plane restraint that drops out of the way when you want to turn the plane loose.

Jim Fuller had his “Astro Hog” redone to look like a Fokker D IIV with a D VIII tail. He said he had two and a half flights. Engine stopped on the last Flight. Power is a worn out OS 91 four stroke.

Meeting adjourned 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Rick Haney - Secretary

REMINDER

Our next meeting will be held at the Flying Field at 7pm (weather permitting of course). See you there! And bring something to fly!

Calendar of Events

June 10 QCSkyraiders meeting 7PM
June 20-21 Sneek In Fun fly Freeport, IL 9AM
June 27 Scale Meet Davenport Sod Farm 9AM
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 16 Erie Fun Fly
Aug 23 QCSR Float Fly
Sept 12 Bud Miller Fly-In Davenport Sod Farm 9AM

MIDWEST HANDICAP PYLON LEAGUE

Due to unforeseen circumstances the date for the June Midwest Handicap Pylon League race must be changed. The race previously scheduled for the 7th has been pushed back one week to June 14th. I hope this doesn't cause too much inconvenience. Time and location remain the same. See

<http://sharepoint.davenportrc.org/WebPages/Race%20Schedule.aspx?PageView=Shared>

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 will start this column by looking back at the month of May. To start we all looked through rain for several weeks. I know that farmers take a ribbing about not liking the weather but it got to the point no one was happy with the weather.

I planed to go mow the field on Saturday and when I got up it was raining so that didn't happen. Then with all the rain the flood forecast was for 13.2 feet. That would put water up on the building and with the mower in the building it would be risky to leave it there. Mark and I went to the field, almost in the dark, and removed it.

May 20th I did get to the field and mowed from 7:30 to 1:45. The grass was above knee high. Saturday the 22nd five of us cleaned a little over half of the trash from the fence line. What a mess! Weather permitting we will try to get the rest of it done this coming Saturday.

The field is ready for use at this time. It just isn't as neat as we would like. Also beware of the tree trunk at the side of the runway on the West end. It might be gone by the weekend or it might not be. If it is still there please don't hit it. I couldn't move it with my tractor and I'm sure your plane will not be able to move it either.

At the meeting we talked about making a list of things that will need to be done at the field. I'm not sure the list got done but some of the items that need to be addressed is the rebuilding of the set up tables. They took a beating. Some of the boards have pulled loose and need new screws, fence posts need reset or just pulled back in place and the ground retamped around them and anything that looks like it need help go for it.

I know that I have mentioned this, probably too many times, but for your fun of the hobby check your equipment before you come to the field. It isn't much fun to find a bad servo or cracked fuel line or what ever when you get ready to fly.

I was looking forward to have our meeting at the Davenport Airport. It is always interesting to look at the airplanes that Dean flies and listen to the stories that are told. We will reschedule the meeting for a later date.

It looks like the weather will be nice for a while now so just maybe we can get in some quality flying. I'm ready!

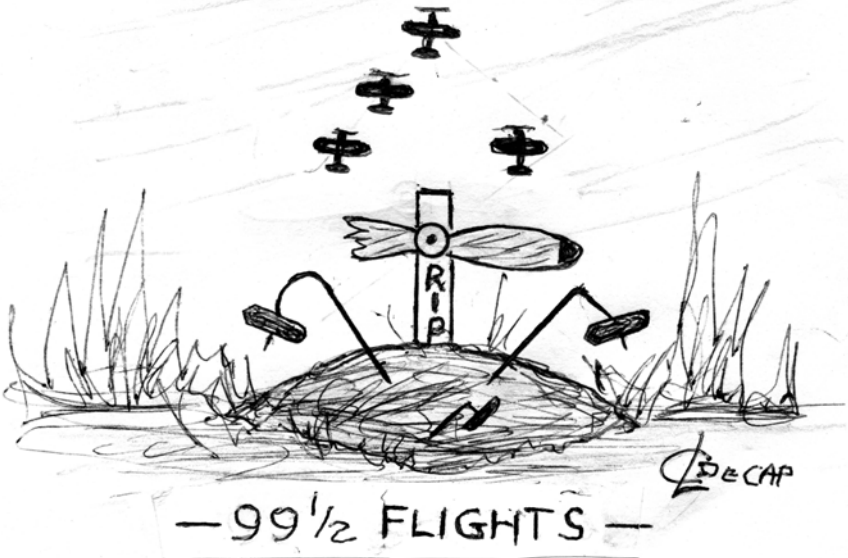
Hopefully you noticed that the minutes of the meeting were sent out right after the meeting was held. The idea was to let the members that were not able to attend the meeting would know what went on at the meeting without waiting a month to read it in the newsletter.

I'll hang this up now and get it to Mike so it can get in the newsletter.

Have a good one and I'll see you at the field.

Rick

DeCap's Corner



HELP!

Just a reminder for all our club members. When the rains finally dry up, the Rock River recedes, and the field dries off, we will need everyone's help getting the field cleaned up. It looks as though most of the clean up will be cleaning the perimeter fence and resetting some of the fence posts. The largest job appears to be the removal of a large tree trunk from the west end of the field. So watch your e-mail for when clean up will be scheduled. Also, Mark Chronister is setting up a mowing schedule, if you can help with the mowing, please give him a call or drop him an e-mail.

FOR SALE:

I am slowly making the transition from 72mhz to 2.4 ghz, so I have several very nice receivers to sell. I have a few hitec electon 6's (\$20 each), a few hitec 8 channel receivers (\$25) and a few futaba 7 channel receivers (\$25) .Contact Travis Schaeffer cell phone number 271-0780.

Tips and Tricks

Wires

Get a hold of a junk VCR and take it apart. Quite often there are a lot of wire harnesses in it. While the wire is other colors, as well as black and red, it is high quality and works very well for RC hookups.

Lite Ply Replacement

My favorite material is “doorskins” to use in place of Lite Ply. You can purchase these at your local building supply company for around 5 bucks. The sheets are 36-inches wide by 80-inches high and about 1/8-inch thick. I have used this in place of Lite Ply in fuselage sides, hatches, landing gear mounts, servo mounts, etc., and have never had a failure.

Plywood on the cheap

Also along those lines, cabinet makers have birch- and oak-faced ply pieces in different sizes 1/4-inches thick, that they will sell to you for a reasonable price. I use these for firewalls, gear mounts in bigger airplanes, and you can double them up to make firewalls for gas engines.

Hardwood

For spars, I use 1/4 x 8 feet poplar or maple. One board can be carefully cut in a table saw with a fine blade (be safe when you use power tools). You can cut these in 1/4 x 3/8, 1/4 x 1/2, etc. and make enough sticks to last for years!

—*all from the First State R/C Club, Willmington, Delaware*

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