

# *Plane Talk*

October 2008



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## ***Next Meeting***

Wednesday October 8, 2008 @ 7:00 p.m.  
at the Deere Wiman Carriage House  
817 11th Avenue  
Moline, Illinois



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### Minutes of the September 8th, 2008 meeting

President Rockne Brosman called the meeting 7:00 p.m.

The minutes were read and approved

Treasurer's report was read and approved

#### Under new business

President Rockne stated that he had attended the park board meeting and presented our desire to construct a shelter. The park board said that we could move forward on plans to lay a cement pad and construct a shelter.

The topic of having a picnic and night fly was brought up and was decided to have them on Friday September 26<sup>th</sup> starting after 5p.m.

#### Show and Tell

Bruce Trunnell showed a biplane that he had been working on for several months. He has done a very good job, and we look forward to seeing it completed and maiden.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45p.m.

*Respectfully Submitted*

#### Calendar of Events

Oct 8	QSCR Meeting 7pm at the Deere Wiman Carriage House
Oct 11	DRCS Night Fly Davenport, IA 6 p.m.
Oct 18	Des Moines Modelairs Swap meet/auction 8-11a.m.
Nov 12	QCSR Meeting 7pm at the Deere Wiman Carriage House

#### How I See It – by Rick



Just when life gets good again it starts to rain and rain and rain and rain. It just wouldn't stop. BUT we can't cry too much if you look at what caused our rain here. There are many people that will never get

back into their homes down south because the storm destroyed their houses and life as they knew it completely. We think we have a problem? I don't think so.

I'm not sure that the word got out but Larry Newbery (owner of the hobby shop on Hwy. 150 near Orion invited use to come out and use his facility to fly. Also thanks to the Erie club and the Davenport club for the use of their fields in our time of need.

Contest time has is all but done for the year. As I write this there is one more contest to participate in and that is the Bud Miller Memorial Fun Fly held at the Sod Farm. I always enjoy contests. I guess it's the competition that I like.

Just to let everyone know about the airplane we raffled at the float fly, it was given back to the club to be raffled again at a later date. I guess that there was some talk about the plane not being given away at the event. It was the wishes of the gentleman that had the winning ticket for our club to raffle the plan again at a later date. I asked him about drawing another ticket and he said no. So for anyone that thinks it was not handled correctly, it was.

I flew my Slow Survivable Combat plane last night for the first time. It is a derelict plane that I bought for next to nothing and put it together and surprise, surprise it flew just fine, with only one heart stopping moment. Just after take off and several hundred feet away it went into a spiral that wouldn't stop and it rapidly looked hopeless. As the plane was heading for the dirt, totally out of control I let go of the sticks and it stopped the spinning and I gave a bit of up elevator and SAVED THE DAY or should I say the plane. I have about 90 degrees of aileron throw and I think I might have over controlled it a small bit. I went to the Sod Farm and flew four rounds of combat the next night. This combat it is an addiction. It's kind of like the alcoholic needing another drink. Just can't get enough of a good thing.

Don't forget to check the club calendar for dates of up coming events. I will be out of town for a while but I think our club will have a picnic and night fly and also the DRCS will have a night fly. This kind of event is always fun to participate or just watch.

The Bud Miller Memorial Fun Fly contest was held Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> due to the bad weather the week before. The weather couldn't have been any better. They had 20 participants and we all had a great time. I did a bit better than I had expected considering that I entered some events that I normally wouldn't fly. The greatest flight of the day was Dirk Oosting flying the Hands Off event. Dirk took off and headed for the clouds to the South of the field. He really got the plane high in the minute that he had to trim the pane out. The judges kept telling him to turn back but he just kept going up up and away. When he set the transmitter down the plane just turned and climbed for about three and a half minutes. He won the event hands down over the other entrants.

I made the comment at the end of the event that I'll never be without a Sr. because it does most anything I ask of it. The way I treat it it's a wonder that it treats me so good! Five of use flew combat after the contest was concluded. What fun! These planes are tough! When they have an encounter with the ground or each other it only takes a new prop and you are back in the air again. I'm not sure whether it takes more skill or more luck to cut the other guys streamer.

By the way the field is in good shape again so get out there in disturb the air.

The word DISTURB brings to mind something.

Do NOT FLY GAS OR GLOW POWERED PLANES BEFORE 9:00AM. Electrics are OK. We do not want to disturb the neighborhood.

Also ----When you park at the field do not park by the fence. Park south of the road. It's a safety thing. We don't want someone walking out between cars into the path of an oncoming car.

Have a good one.

*Rick Haney*

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## DeCap's Corner



## QCSR Picnic and Night Fly

Several members came out and enjoyed the picnic and evening night fly. There were several members who did get a flight or two in after the sun went down. Members used different methods of lighting their planes, from using glow wire, LEDs, Christmas lights and glow sticks. Also what was again shown was the willingness to help out a fellow flyer when needed. Again I would like to thank Kelly Bryant for loaning a wiring harness adapter and some tape, which allowed this flyer to get at least one flight in, after leaving my flight box at home.

The flying was cut short only because the mosquitoes made their presence known. If you ever thought that trying to keep control of your plane under control during normal conditions, try flying in the dark and swatting mosquitoes all at the same time. Even with the mosquitoes, everyone seemed to have a good time. And it was heard as we were leaving “we should do this again after a good frost!”

The Davenport club will be having their Night Fly on Saturday October 11<sup>th</sup> at Seven Cities Sod Farm. If your plane is still intact, or you would just like to watch, come on out and participate.

*From the Flying Aces, Originally from Air Wars by A.C. Anson*

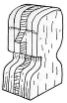
### Carve Yourself a Balsa Pilot

You don't have to be a sculptor to use this simple six-step formula to achieve realistic-looking pilots. And you'll get brownie points from some of the scale judges.

(Enlarge or reduce these drawings for different scale pilots. You can substitute blue foam for balsa.)



**Step 1:** Cut this center template out of 1/4-inch or 1/8-inch balsa or scrap. Note: Only this center section has the nose.



**Step 2:** All other laminates must conform to the center shape. Start sanding to match.



**Step 3:** Cut underside of pilot head to begin to approximate neck width.



**Step 4:** Using finished pilot in Step 6 as a guide, draw outline of face and head on flat face in Step 4.



**Step 5:** Continue sanding to finish head, neck, and shoulders. Add laminates to achieve full should width. Match drawing in Step 6. Thin nose slightly if using 1/4-inch sheet.



**Step 6:** Paint finished pilot. Paint on goggles or cut out of bond paper and glue on. Flesh tone comes ready mixed in watercolor tubes at your local art store. Detail lines in dark brown. Hollow-out base of pilot for lightness.



Use same formula for Jet Pilot or antique flier. →

## For Sale Corner

21% Midwest LIL cap 232. 62'' wing. Set up for 91 4 stroke. 8 pounds RTF. Built 5-6 years ago, and just flown ONCE on Wednesday. To snappy for me! Style of plane. Ultra coat, 12 oz tank, new fuel lines, Sullivan fuel filler, stock abs cowl and wheel pants, match good. Set up for standard servos for each control, push pull, scale Midwest dash. Nice over all plane. Needs a good covering shrinking. The diamonds were all hand applied. Built from a kit. Neat looking plane, not perfect, but been sitting in hanger for 5 years. KIT WAS \$200, MATERIALS \$150, DASH \$30, PILOT \$15. Airframe only. \$275 OR SERIOUS OFFER/ NO RX.TX.ENGINE

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