

Plane Talk

September 2008



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Next Meeting

Wednesday September 10, 2008 @ 7:00 p.m.

At the Flying Field

In case of rain at the
Deere Wiman Carriage House
817 11th Avenue
Moline, Illinois



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NOTICE

The flying field is in pretty good shape and is flyable. The park has been re-opened, so you will not have to worry about the gate. If you have volunteered to mow, please check the mowing schedule to find your next mowing time. The Tuesday evening "New Flyer Night" has resumed at the field. Anyone who would like help, please contact Mark Chronister, Rick Haney or Rockne Brosman.

Minutes of the August 13th, 2008 meeting

President Rockne Brosman called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM
11 Members were present.
The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.
The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Announcements and Business:

1. The water has receded at the flying field again...mowing has resumed. If you are on the mowing schedule but can't make your scheduled time please find a replacement. The gate is closed but you can enter using our combination lock. Please close the gate after you enter.
2. Some club members attended the Tri-State Fun Fly held in Dubuque on August 10th. They reported that they had a good time. The weather was perfect, the flying field was very nice as were the members of the Tri-State Modeling Club.
3. August and September are great flying months. Check the calendar of events for all the activities coming up.
4. New flyer night has started again at our field every Tuesday starting at 6PM.
5. Rockne will attend the Park Board meeting on August 28th to ask for permission to construct a pavilion, get electricity, and

change part of the access road.

Show and Tell

No show and tell due to rain
Meeting adjourned at 7:29 PM

Respectfully Submitted by Kelly Bryant - Secretary

Calendar of Events

Sept 6-7	E-FLI-OWA Seven Cities Sod farm Davenport, IA 8:30a.m.
Sept 10	QCSR Meeting 7pm at the Flying Field (weather permitting)
Sept 13	Bud Miller Fly In Davenport, IA 10 a.m.
Sept 19,20,21	St. Louis RC Flying Association, Eureka, Missouri
Oct 8	QCSR Meeting 7pm at the Flying Field (weather permitting)
Oct 11	DRCS Night Fly Davenport, IA 6 p.m.



How I See It – by Rick

I haven't written for quite a while so I'll give it a shot. This has been quite a year with a nasty winter, a bad spring with wind, rain and floods. After the field got cleaned up after the flood we were hit with the BIG

flood. The water just wouldn't go down. This in turn killed most of the grass and made a mess of every thing. Then the big windstorm moved our storage shed and turned over all the set up tables. But with all this said the field looks good now and is very usable. The park opened the gates so we do not have to mess with unlocking and locking the gate.

I went to several contests and had a good time. The one at Dubuque, Iowa was a bit different. We flew four rounds, each one different. Mark won two events, a member of the Davenport club won one event and I won one event. I hope they invite us back for next years contest.

I hate to sound like a broken record but you just don't know what fun you are missing out on by not going to other fields to participate or just go fly and meet other people that are involved with the hobby. The next contest that I participated in was hosted by the Erie club. Here again what a good time we all had. Every one was on their toes because of a nasty crosswind. We all had the same conditions to deal with. One plane hit the limbo pole and lost about a third of his wing.

Our Float Fly was a great success. The weather was great and the wind was not a factor. I think everyone used the retrieval boat, mostly for engine failure. One plane ended up in a tree and a brave sole climbed the tree and carried it down. The plane had no damage. One electric foam plane hit the water quite hard and ended up in five plus pieces. A new Seawind didn't survive the day. It hit a ton and broke up into several pieces.

The Electric Fly will be Sept 6-7 and the Bud Miller Fun Fly (contest) will be Sept. 13th.

Just to let the membership know, Huggy isn't doing to well. If you would like to give him a short call I'm sure he would like to hear from his friends. 608-744-3124.

Have a good one.

Rick Haney

DeCap's Corner



Tips and Tricks

Push Rods

Did you ever go through all the trouble to make up your control surface push rods only to find at installation that they were a quarter inch too short? Try this easy way to get the lengths just right. Tie a string to the control horn on the control surface. Drop the free end of the string through the fuselage. With the control surface in neutral position, tie the other end of the string to the servo arm. Cut off the excess string at both tie points. Now, cut the string at the ties and what you end up with is a

piece of string that is the exact length of the push rod you will need to fabricate.

Pellon

Fabric stores sell a product known as "pellon." This can be used for general reinforcement and is especially good for wing center sections. Be careful when you do apply it as it does have grain and should be applied in the direction that affords maximum strength.

Captured on Tape

Before cutting steel control cable, wrap it tightly with masking tape to prevent the strands from unraveling as you cut. It makes it easier to solder into a threaded push rod end too. Remember to wear safety goggles.

—Taken from the *Talon Tales* newsletter, *Schoolcraft, Michigan* (collected from various sources)



For Sale Corner

4 star 60 with a skysport 6 radio and OS 65 LA installed. It has never been wrecked or crashed and only flown a handful of times in a 2 year period. Asking \$250.00. Contact: Patrick Hutchison at seawolf61244@yahoo.com

Kaos 60 good condition with retractable gear; ME109E needs work; Sturdy birdy needs work; Fox 78 engine never used; Cub Cadet 1/3 scale frame only; Webra 61 engine; Fox 40 engine never used; Enya 35 engine never used; Futaba 7 channel AM radio; Futaba conquest 6 channel FM radio; Many parts, plans, balsa wood, etc.; All for \$300.00 dollars Call 563-370-8378 or 563-449-8076. Ask for Dale or Dkbosyu@aol.com



11th Annual E-FLI-OWA September 6-7

This is a fun fly only! \$15 pilot fee covers both days of flying and includes raffle tickets for prizes. Flying starts at 8:30am both days. For more information contact: **Orville Shields** 309-236-6167 or osrs73@yahoo.com

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- Thanks to Skip Chick for his many pictures from this event

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Quad-City SkyRaiders**

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Make check payable to:

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