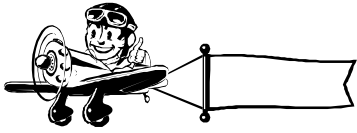




President's Report



Fall Fling



This year we have attempted to put some events together for our members and their families to enjoy. Our next opportunity is the 6th Annual Fall Fling scheduled for Sunday, October 12th. It is disappointing when so few of our members show up at club events. Perhaps it was the format, promotion, or weather forecasts. Whatever, I will accept responsibility for everything except the crazy weather this year.

Well, the 6th Annual Fall Fling has no format...anything that can fly is welcome, and we are promoting the heck out of it...and I had a very serious conversation with Momma Nature and she assures sunshine and light winds directly down the runway from the Southwest. (Would I lie to you?)

So do yourself and your club a favor and stop by the field that day to fly, work, and/or just spectate. Even if you cannot stay long, stop by and show support to the club, the event, and the people who have worked hard to provide fun events. It would be nice of you to bring your significant other(s) with you to validate that we are indeed a family oriented club ☺

Club Elections



Elsewhere in this newsletter is an article by Dave Bloomer announcing the upcoming club elections. Understandably, not everyone has the desire and time, needed to govern and administer this club, so the club will probably once again rely upon the same few members to run things. While it is nice to infuse new blood into club thinking, I understand that not everyone views the hobby with the same passion and priority, or do they have the time they can and will appropriate to the demands of club administration. On the other hand, some may view themselves as not qualified to serve in a management capacity.

If you fall into these categories, let me offer you something to think about, viz, serving on a

committee as a member. As a committee member, you can be as busy and involved as you WANT to be, but you will still be providing a valuable service to the club. That valuable service will be YOUR input into the club social fabric and mentality. For example, if the same people plan and conduct all events for the club a couple of things happen. First, we will be stuck in a rut, never trying anything new nor changing things to attract our membership to participate more. Second, we burn the people out who have to carry the whole load, and they fade away, or lose their overall enthusiasm for the club and even the hobby. That is a fact I know personally...been there, done that...I left the club for three years in the early 1990's for that reason ☺

What is my point? Well, we will fill the positions needing filled OK, but the effectiveness of our committees depend on being staffed by folks who can contribute, even if only on a limited basis. For example, get on the newsletter committee, become a roving reporter, and tattle on everyday things you see at the field, or report on stuff you are using or trying out. You have read Walt's stuff, so you see there is no need of talent, just guts and a word processor ☺ (Just kidding, Sir Walter!)

So take inventory of what you can and will offer the club and let your chosen committee chairman know that there's a new gunfighter in town ready to whup-up on apathy and boredom! See ya at the field...**Bob Groves**

Rule Reminder



General Club Rule No. 7

With our routine field mowing and the fast approaching harvest season, it is probably good to remind everyone of the rule that applies to these circumstances.

"There shall be no flight operation during periods of maintenance on the flying field and pit areas. Under no circumstances will flight operations be conducted while operating machinery is in close proximity to the flying field."

In essence, this says that when the tractors show up and start work at the field, or at the east, south, and west fields contiguous to the flying field, park your airplanes and do not fly until their activity ceases.



Congratulations to **Mike Anderson** on his promotion to flight proficiency level 3. Club instructor **Joe Fyffe** made the certificate presentation during the September 8th meeting.

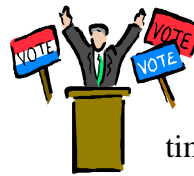


Congratulations were in order for **Mike Billingsley** at the September 8th meeting.

Mike was soloed by instructor Joe Fyffe minutes before the meeting started.
(File Photo)

Is it time to... "Stand and be counted"? Only you know for sure.

The election of 2004 club officers, (i.e., president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and two positions on the executive committee) will be conducted during the December 1st club membership meeting. Now is the time to start thinking about the role you would like and are willing to play in the operation of the club.



What time, expertise, and skill are you willing to provide to the club and its membership? Perhaps it is not an elected office, but rather an even more important role as a committee chairman. (Our current committees are Boy's School, Field, Safety, Instruction, Promotions, Events, and Newsletter.)

If not in a elected or appointed office, then how about participating as a member of one or more of the committees? This is our club and we owe it to ourselves to assure its continued prosperity, which means we need to have active members who participate in the club's operation on a regular basis.

All members, especially our current incumbent officers, executive committee members, and chairmen, are encouraged to consider serving another term in their current office, or perhaps seeking a new or more exciting leadership position. You will get more out of the club and the club will benefit from your efforts. For most club leadership positions your flying skill level and experience is not a factor. Your attitude, willingness, and



Charter member **Larry Ross** brought two of his jets to the September 8th meeting. Larry gave highlights and tall tales from the Ozark Mountain Jet event he recently attended. ☺



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managerial skills are more valued and far outweigh your proficiency or tenure in the hobby.

We would very much like to have the club's 2004 leadership defined and in place by election time so that next year's president can begin in January to direct the club's efforts to planning for the coming year. Traditionally, we spend the first few months of the year just getting committees in place and then begin the planning. We need to get a jump-start on this process so that we can be even more successful in making this a great club for all members.

We have enjoyed good growth, great leadership, and a great flying season this year. Do your part to assure our continued success – "Stand and Be Counted". Contact **Doug Fish** or me and let us know what office or capacity you are willing serve. We intend to have a full slate of candidates by the December meeting.

Dave Bloomer, Elections Committee Chairman

Congratualltions to **Rick Weddle** who was soloed on September 20th by club instructor **Doug Fish** and supported by club instructor **Dan Winship**.

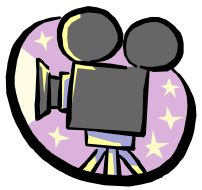


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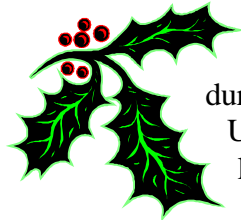
Joe Hartley and his fleet? Showing off his Corrabell, I'm sure there was some more email history behind all this but didn't get it all. If your interested I believe our lusterless leader knows something of this....

Don't forget...

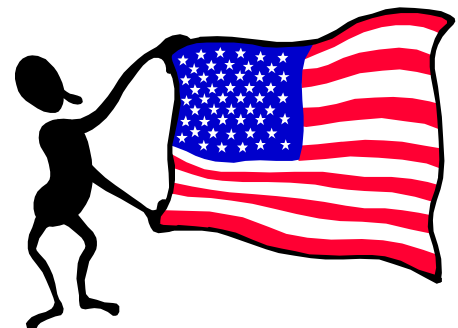


The October 6th club membership meeting will be at the **Airport Days Inn** and will start at 7:30 PM. We will have a program that evening of videos and slides taken at the field this year.

Christmas Banquet?



Our club in the past has held Christmas (or holiday) banquets during the month of December. Usually held in private rooms of local restaurants, they have been great fun for members and their guests. If we are going to have a banquet, then we need someone to lead the planning, promotion, etc. Here is a chance for someone to provide a needed service. In addition, the general membership needs to let us know the level of interest in having a banquet this year.





PARTS!!



Yup that's right parts! Out of curiosity you think of when you see the parts? Airplane parts is the thing that comes to mind, or is it parts for the factory(I work that is what I think of), parts for Parts for your house? Now interesting thought house parts...Well what about club parts? Ever think of our Club Parts? Nope probably not, or maybe one or two people I know think about that quite often but not in terms of "Club Parts". I really was struggling about an subject to write about this month, I'm not as "mouthy" as Bob really. So sometimes I have to think some about an article, and I feel that since I have the responsibility for the newsletter, editing, publishing, and distribution that I ought to have an article in there too. I get few articles from you members, but I have had some really great ones this year too and thanks to those who have written them for our memberships enjoyment! So today at lunch I took a walk out through the plant to think and maybe come up with something to write about. As I was making my way out through the facility, I was surrounded by people working, machines of all kinds, assembly lines, and yes you guessed it parts. After some thought it started coming through that wool upstairs so I'll get on with it now.

PARTS? Your asking what does parts have to do with our club? Well here it goes, stay with me now on this. Look at the word, break it down, read on and think.

P. People, that is really what our club is all about, sure it is an RC Airplane club, but how many times have you been out there by yourself no one else around, you fly once or twice and sit, then maybe fly again, then sit and think, hummm, wonder if anyone else is going to show up today? Unless I have some special work to do on a plane or engine it really doesn't take me three flights to start wondering if someone else is going to show up so we can talk, compare flights, enjoy each others company. Think about it.... There are other things

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that go along with that "P" also, Participation is the other one that comes to mind, how would it be without anyone participating? Participating in planning, working, flying, or just having fun out at the field? In no time at all we wouldn't have any club or field left if we didn't have the participation from our membership.

A.Active, or activities. Over this year we have tried to have more activities than in the past, it sometimes has been a struggle and sometimes we wonder if we are on the right track at all. But I think we are. We have had some really good programs, and some have had some good participation(there's that P word again). Some have worked really hard this year to put on programs and try and get the membership involved. Tried to get the participation out at the field up and have fun with the rest of us, really it is fun! I wouldn't kid you there, even having a work detail is fun out there, hey, you get to see all your friends and fly your planes! I very well know that time is squeezed these days, life is really busy, but, if you can, come out and join us, we'd love to see you! Hey, you could even get to "make notation" of our leader out there!

R. Resources. Just think how lucky we are as a club, the resources that we have at our disposal and we don't even think about it! To start with, our facility! It is a great facility, how many others do you know of like ours? I don't know of many, unless you want to travel to Florida or somewhere pretty distant to Indy/Plainfield. Think our leadership, well,, maybe,, no no,, we have some very good leadership that is working hard to make our club better and more enjoyable for our members, that's you and me! The other resource is our membership, what you say? Our members, what a diverse group of people we have, from all walks of life with many different talents! We even have a couple of members helping with the boys at the facility! I bet if you put 25 of our members together we could build anything! Just think about it!

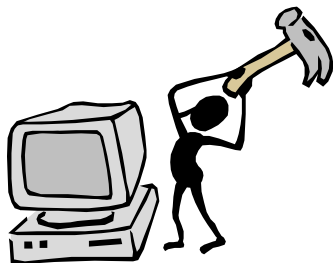
T. Time, this seems the most scarce of anything that any of us have. I know a lot of the members would love to help and be involved with the club more but time and the lack of it is what keeps them away. I know this is my biggest problem as I have very little of it, not near what I would like to have to



spend on my hobbies, I have two, airplanes and bicycling. I tell people a lot of times, "work gets in my way a lot", but I have two bad habits, I like to eat(too much there!) and live indoors! So work is a necessity. I am hoping in the near future I will have more time to devote to the club and airplanes, gosh I hope you have that thought too cause I sure would like to see you at the field!

S. This final letter has several good things about it, like, it could stand for Service, length of service? Our club has a really interesting history you know, I don't know much of it but what I do know is very interesting. Also it could mean something like putting more service into the club, and getting more out? Support is about the same thing I believe, support the activities, support the club in general and support the leadership, officers and those most important committee chairman in their efforts with the club.

Well there you have it, my blabbering for this months newsletter. Sometimes I wonder if very many folks read the newsletter but I'd like to think all the members read it. There are some good articles, ideas and thoughts and some of a lot of just plain good fun in it too. So I hope that you have read this issue, and maybe had some thoughts about it too. Tell me, I'd like to know if you have ideas or thoughts about the newsletter or club for that matter also. I hope this article has sparked a "thought" with you, maybe if you haven't had the time to be involved with the club, this will move it a bit higher on your priority list and give you a chance to enjoy our facilities and yes us too. Hey, see you at the field soon!!



Walt

Wanted: Roaming editors to supply articles, pictures, and bits for the newsletter. Must be some truth to the writings, well most of the time. Pictures can be known to the person in them, or of the "top secret squirrel" type.

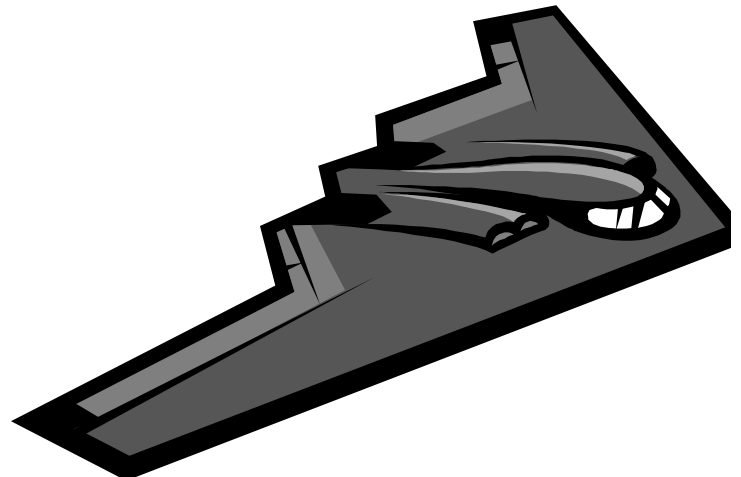
Very high pay, ben-i-fits and esteem.

Apply to the editor, email or snail or just call me! You got the number!



Walt

OH MAN! Its coming, the October fly In!!!! I know I'm not going to miss it, not even a thought there! It's going to be great! Flying, Friends and Food! I can't imagine someone not coming! See you there!!





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Thought I'd put some more pics in from this year that I have taken from time to time, yes you never can tell when your gona get "caught"? enjoy.



Joe and his fantastic looking "Red Baron"!



Well this was from the war bird fly in, I don't know the name of the person that brought it in, but it was a great looking plane! Also don't know if he put it in the air or not.



A whole group on the spring work day, planting a pole! Remembering back, the weather was not good, but we had a good time and the parking lot was packed!!! Hope we can pack that parking lot again soon.



Mika's Snoopy. Made from coroplast, this thing flies great! You should have seen it hover, and yes that IS a handle mounted on top!



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