

The Fliteline

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Next Club Meeting

7:00 PM – Monday – February 4, 2008

Plainfield Public Library - 1120 Stafford Rd - Plainfield, IN 46168



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February Meeting Program

Bill Pence's son, Staff Sergeant Aaron Pence of the USAF, has returned from Iraq with a couple of great video DVD's. These are action packed, so mark your calendar and attend the February 4th meeting!

2008 First to Fly Honors



Andrew B. Clark

Our Hero!

Well, I got out to the field at about 12:15pm. Dennis Anderson was already there, as I told him we'd meet at noon, but there's not any tracks in the pits to show anyone else had been there. It was snowing, 21 degrees, with a windchill of about 9. The winds at the field were measuring about 13, with gusts to 20. I had my Lil' Banshee, but had a problem with my Lipo charger, so only 1 of my batteries had a charge in it. I looked at the log sheet, and the only name on it was Doug Fish at 9:15 with 0 flights. Hmm, what a bunch of fair weather flyers. I hadn't missed a NYD flight in 23 years, I wasn't going to start now.

I put the battery on my plane, and check it out. Yeah, it was ready to go. I grabbed the plane and Denny grabbed my camera. We got a shot holding it, so that if it were the only picture that could be taken, we'd have one. The wind was down the runway, but blowing enough that my little 16 oz. plane wouldn't sit still on the ground. A little power and it hopped off the ground. Pulled back and set it down. Yep, that was a flight, now do we try it again, or go home. Well, might as well make a circuit of the field. Off again. I made a flight around the field, and this little light plane in that wind is a hand full to say the least. Trims? Who knows? Anyway, I put one right down the runway and yell at Dennis that this might be his only photo op. A little more flying, and I hear the motor cut out. The Lipo was drained. Luckily, it was over the runway. I was cold, and I got a flight in. Wasn't pretty, but it was enough to log a flight or 2. So, pack it up and Dennis and I head out, making what we figure was the first flight of the year. Andy Clark
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Photos by Dennis Anderson



From The President's Hanger

Mark "Crittter" Crittenden - mcritt1@comcast.net



At last month's meeting, Larry Ross made an interesting and informative presentation concerning electric flight. I enjoyed the presentation but, even more, I appreciated Larry's willingness to step up

and be involved for the club. We asked for someone to provide us something of interest for the meeting, something in addition to the normal business, and Larry came through. Thanks, Larry!

I'm still looking for volunteers to provide short programs at our club meetings. The Plainfield Library meeting site offers all kinds of multi-media capability, and plenty of room for display. If you have a new project, on area of particular interest, or a special skill like covering, building canopies, working with fiberglass, etc, we would like to benefit from your expertise! Email me and we'll put you on a meeting program of your choice!

Speaking of activities, we will be planning in February for the 2008 flying season. Although the Executive Committee has yet to meet and set the calendar, I believe we will probably continue the long history of the 4th of July Fly-in and the Fall Fling. We said last year that we would again support the Hobby Show and Swap Meet at the Fairgrounds, sponsored by the Admirals. And, if the date works better than the late date did last year, we'll put together a team for the City-wide.

Scott Black has decided to discontinue the Triathlon of Model Aviation. The folks who competed enjoyed it, but it is not practical to continue with the declining participation.

We are always looking for ways to make the Screaming Eagles a better club – for the current members, and for those who might join us in the future. There has been interest expressed in having more competitive flying events – pattern, fun-fly, etc. There has also been talk of teaching advanced flying techniques, such as aerobatics. And there is interest in more social activities. In summary, lots of people have good ideas about how we can make the club better. Bring your ideas to the February meeting, or email them to me if you cannot attend.

We need your attendance at the monthly meetings, we need your expertise, we need your ideas, we need you to volunteer to help make them happen, and we need your support as a participant. This is not about what the Executive Board or the Club Officers can do, it is about all of us. Step up as Larry did!

IF YOU WANT IT TO HAPPEN IN 2008, THEN LET'S MAKE IT HAPPEN!

January Meeting Program

Featuring Larry Ross - Rossanco@iquest.net



Charter member **Larry Ross** provided a program by demonstrating his recent venture into electric power. His Hanger 9 Frenzy ARF has an E-Flite 110 motor, Phoenix 85 speed controller, and two 8550 LiPo batteries. It flies exceptionally well, according to Larry.



Larry also showed a smaller size electric, a Little Slo Stick ARF. "Great for indoor flying, too", reports Larry. Two sizes are available...the little one sells for \$70 and the larger model sells for \$95. Give Larry a call at 839-3407 if you are interested in getting one.

Recognition Awards



2007 Vice-President **Bob "Fritz" McClure** was not in attendance to receive his certificate of service from Mark Crittenden. His wife graciously provided a wedding picture to enable us to recognize him when his hibernation ends this spring. Bob also helped with the PREF flying and building programs, so he is not as bad as he looks. Hey, Bob...nice tooth!



Club Secretary **Ron Richardson** received recognition from club president **Mark "Crittter" Crittenden** for service as Club Secretary and as chairman of the instruction committee.



Dick Dietz was recognized for service as Club Treasurer



Quintessential member **Doug Fish** carries the load for our important PREF programs, i.e., Resident flying and model building programs. He was also awarded a certificate as Past-President on the executive committee. (Hopefully, someone will explain to him what quintessential means.)



Old-timer **Dave Bloomer** served yet another year on the executive committee. Since 1970, Dave has held about every office in the club. Some several times...all with a heart that only beats about 12 times a minute. Ol' Dave is never in a hurry or a state of fluster. He denies all rumors of being a zombie or any other type of ghoul without a beating heart.



And then there is Big John "WhadJaSay?" Nyland, our many term field chairman. Since he is sooo big, thank God he has a great sense of humor. Crittter is standing on a beanstalk to be high enough to make the presentation to a most worthy club stalwart. ☺



Purdue alum, martial arts guru, and known computer geek **Andy Clark** again and forever was recognized for his tireless service as our club information chairman.



Three-time former club president **Bill Pence** was not at the meeting to collect his service award as a member of the executive committee and as the club safety officer....With no meeting picture available, a file picture of Bill was used instead. It was necessary to PhotoShop the picture to improve his looks;

otherwise, he might look like a troll or something. Bill is a superb modeler, check out his latest creation below. Heck, his planes look better than him, anyway. ☺



PREF Aviation Report

By **Doug Fish**
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We started the PREF building program on Thursday Jan. 10th. We had about 10 people in the first session and most of them completed their Delta Darts and are looking forward to flying them the next session on the 24th. It is amazing that I, not a builder, have as much fun doing this program for them, as I do. It is also amazing how much they appreciate the time we spend with them on the building and flying programs. This program goes thru the end of March and we will probably need to order more of the Delta Darts in the next couple of weeks, if they keep up with those numbers of people in the sessions. Again, if anyone is interested in helping with the building program give me a call at 839-8009 at my office, or Home at 839-9079. I will continue to keep you updated as we go forward with this. Happy flying.

PREF Music Program Report

By **Bob Groves**
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Screaming Eagle member **Carl Strohm**, on left in top picture, is an accomplished, experienced bluegrass musician. He used his talent and expertise to host a clinic for aspiring bluegrass pickers at PREF on January 26th. There were over twenty residents and staff participating, watching, and learning. Carl and his son Jason are members of the New Harvest Bluegrass Band. They have played several venues including the Bean Blossom Bluegrass Festival. Carl sings and plays guitar, mandolin, and fiddle.



The clinic was well received as attested by the close attention being paid when Carl cut loose with his mandolin on the popular "Wildwood Flower." Thanks to volunteers like Carl, the music program continues to be a favorite program with the PREF residents.

(More Photos on page 6.)

Treasurer's Report

Dick Dietz, Treasurer

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The Screaming Eagles Treasurer's Report is presented for review and acceptance at each club meeting. The Screaming Eagles Treasurer's Report

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We currently have 48 members paid for 2008 and have budgeted for 73. I'm sure we can find even more candidates to join us in our great hobby. Bring a friend to the field or meeting and let's make it happen!

Donations for 2007

As your Treasurer, I am aware of some of the donations to your club by your fellow members. These are donations made without cost to the club and do not include all the hours spent by members making the good things happen that make our club special. I'm sure these are not all of the donations, but want to thank those responsible that I am aware of.

Donations to the club that I am aware of included fuel for the PREF flying program, office supplies, returned raffle winnings, field maintenance materials, and new chairs for the shelter. I'm sure there are others that I am not aware of.

Your fellow members that have made these donations include Dennis Anderson, Doug Fish, Bill Gentry, Bob Groves, and John Nyland. I hope you will thank all the members that give of their time, talent and resources to make our club successful.

Future Field Fund

Your Future Field Fund totals \$2,883.33

These funds have been deposited in a CD for security and to gain interest. Thanks to all the members that supported our 2005 campaign or have contributed in 2006 and 2007. You made this possible and successful. Additional pledges are welcome and donations continue to be made to this fund. If you are interested in making a donation, send your check to me or bring it to a club meeting. Thanks to all forty-eight members who have renewed already! I look forward to hearing from the rest of you.

2008 Dues Schedule for New Members and Renewals

Full Club Membership		
Single	Family	Junior
\$75	\$100	\$30
Control Line Membership		
Single	Family	Junior
\$25	\$35	\$10

Make your check payable to the club and return it in the envelope that you got with your statement, bring it to a meeting, or mail to the above address.

Remember that you need a current Club and AMA membership to fly at PREF. This protects PREF and us in case of accidents.

Membership cards will be mailed after AMA membership is confirmed. Names of members that are current with the Club and AMA will be posted at the field



Classified Ads

For Sale

RAM 1000 Turbine

Electric Start – With all Updates
28 pounds of thrust

\$3,600 invested – sell for \$1,800

Like new, test ran, never flown
Larry Ross - 839-3407

- Rossanco@iquest.net

For Sale

JR 10X w/rec - 5-4131 servos 90oz / 2-517 std

\$ 600 w/ case and books

New G-62 w/Pitts Muffler and 3 1/2" spinner

\$450

Kyosho Outrage Dune Buggy

Needs radio and batts \$50

Plus all kinds hobby parts - engines and planes
What ya looking for I might have it zap me a e-mail at

mikaskyking@webtv.net

Mika Woodward

No I'm not selling out just thinning out a bit .



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

By Andrew Clark
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MCRCC Annual Swap Meet - 2/24/08 - Bloomington, IN at the Monroe County Fairgrounds. 9am-2pm. Admission \$3, tables \$10. located 2 mi west of SR37 on SR45 to Airport Rd.

Indy Sportliners Annual Swap Meet - 3/01/08 - Greenfield, IN at the Hancock County Fairgrounds 4H Building, 620 N Apple St.. Open 9am - 1pm. Admission \$3 women and children under 12 free.

RC Swap Meet - 3/15/08 - Columbus, IN at the Bartholomew County 4-H Fair Grounds. For Info: www.jcrf.net. General admission \$3 under 12 free. Breakfast and lunch kitchen, 9am to 1pm

Flight Events

E-Fest - 2/08/08/2/10/08 - Champaign, IL Site: U of I Armory. Frank Noll Jr CD Visit www.gpe-fest.com. Sponsor: HOBBICO

INTRODUCTION TO IMAC March 29th, 2008



LOCATION

Blacksheep Club Flying Field
(Heated club house on premise)
Danville, Indiana

Event Coordinator: Tim Landon

Home Phone: 317-858-1724

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Schedule of Events

- Classroom in the Morning
- IMAC Rules and Judging
- Reading and Understanding Aresti
- Planes: Setup
- What to expect tQ&A period
- Lunch provided on site
\$5.00 fee to help with costs is appreciated

Flying

(Weather Permitting)

Demo Flights

- Mike McConville, Wayne Geffon, and others
- Airplane setup
- Programming Radios

For Those Interested in stepping up to 50cc gas airplanes Dawg House R/C will have multiple planes on site for Buddy Box demo flights

Information can also be found at www.mini-iac.com IMAC's official website

More Bluegrass Clinic Photos...

