

The Fliteline

Screaming Eagles R/C Club, Inc.

AMA Charter Club No. 298 – Est. 1970
P.O. Box 694 – Plainfield, Indiana 46168
Bob Groves, Editor 317-839-5219 - rgroves827@aol.com

Next Club Meeting

7:30 PM – Monday – May 5, 2008

PREF Flying Field – 501 W. Main St - Plainfield, IN 46168



www.screamingeagles.org

• **May 3rd Lowes Avon, IN. static show**



• **May 5th club meeting at the flying field**



From The President's Hanger

Mark "Crittter" Crittenden -
mcritt1@comcast.net

Thanks to everyone who pitched in to get the field ready for the flying season. Your work proceeded a few good days of flying weather, all of which I missed due to work and other obligations. I hope someone got to take advantage of it!

There are some other important activities coming up. Saturday, May 3rd, is the static show at Lowes in Avon. Many thanks to Bill Pence for making the arrangements with Lowes, and to Doug Fish and Bob Groves for helping him put the event together! It will be a perfect opportunity to show off our aircraft, talk about our hobby, and hopefully attract some new members to the club. Everyone is needed and welcome! If you're not showing aircraft, you can help answer questions about the hobby and the Screaming Eagles. Or, you can come hang out, enjoy the time with other club members, and pick up a coupon good for 10% off at Lowes that day. That will even get the spouses interested, and get us all some "hd" projects.

We will also be inviting visitors at the Lowes

show to come to the field on Sunday, May 4th, to experience flying with our instructors. There will be opportunities for some members to fly in exhibition, and an opportunity for the instructors to get their first flights of the season with people interested in learning more about our hobby. Again, we'll need people to fly, instruct, answer questions, etc. So come out and support your club!

The first week of May also brings the beginning of the PREF flying season, and the first Instructor Night. We will again be flying 6-8 residents every Tuesday evening, as well as any students who show up. If you're an instructor and want to help, contact Doug Fish. If you're not an instructor but would like to be, this is a great opportunity to learn the ropes of instruction. Ron Richardson, our Chief Instructor, will be there to help you along.

Finally, our next club meeting will be **Monday, May 5th, 7:30 pm, at the field.** Although we don't have the advantage of the multi-media equipment like at the library, we're still interested in your show-and-tell or short presentation items. There's nothing better than learning something new at the meetings! Fly safe! Critter



Field Chairman Report

By John Nyland
jnyland@indy.rr.com

We had a good work crew who added a new rope to the flagpole, tightened the anchoring on the metal shelter, and cleaned and reorganized the two barns and the old shelter. Denny Anderson came out the next day and sprayed water protection on all our benches, tables, etc.



Thanks to the people who volunteered their services; Dennis Anderson, Mark Crittenden, Doug Fish, Steve Kientz, Karen Nyland, Steve Ragsdale, and Tim Roesler.



Secretary's Report

Ron Richardson, Secretary
ronalderichardson@yahoo.com



As the picture above and below show, the Plainfield Public Library has been an excellent meeting facility for our winter meetings. (Editor's note: Sadly, 80% of our membership do not attend our meetings.)



PREF Aviation Report

By Vice-President Doug Fish
IM FISHY5@aol.com

I don't have much to report as we are in the period between the building program and the flying program. I am getting the planes ready to go, recycling batteries, checking out to make sure everything is tight, tightening covering and cleaning up after the winter. We had a Resident at PREF that wants to do a building program and build a trainer that they could fly upon completion. Way beyond my building skills! We are going to discuss this in the Fall. We have also extended an invitation for him to help out in the flying program. I want to THANK everyone that has agreed to help with the flying program in advance of starting it up. Without them the program would not go as well as it does!!!!!! I know I always say it but, this is a great time to become an instructor, it will get you experience using a buddy box up high, and we can always use any help you could be. Hope to see everyone out at the field and safe flying



The new club banner



Scott Black writes, this gentleman, who came to the Screaming Eagles meeting from the Admirals, is **Gene Wisner**. Gene is the President of the club. His email address is IndyAdmiralsCmdr@worldnet.att.net.

Gene and Dave Hampton are long time members of the Indianapolis Admirals R/C Boat Club. Both felt a need to organize an event that would pull together all of the traditional hobby clubs in the area to promote hobbies that are near and dear to all of our hearts.

When you talk to modelers, most have an interest beyond just the current branch of hobbying that they are doing. Car guys like planes, boat guys like model railroads, airplane guys like cars, etc. So, the thought was to create a show that brought everyone in Central Indiana together.

A swap meet is a main focus of the event along with static displays and active displays. Last year was the first year for the Indianapolis Hobby Expo & Swap Meet and several Screaming Eagles members came to the event. I missed it due to my commitments at the hayrides, but I'm told the turnout was exceptional for the first year.

Gene came to the SE meeting to bring the Screaming Eagles up to date and to invite us to join as a co-sponsor. Mark Crittenden has already expressed interest in doing so. The thought is that we need to get a representative club from each branch of hobbies to help the event prosper.

One big goal of the event is also to INTRODUCE people to model hobbies of all types. We have all heard of the "Christmas Gift & Hobby Show" at the fairgrounds. I'm one

of those people that went the first time expecting MY kind of hobbies, only to be disappointed. So, the purpose of this show is to get people who think they might like to get into model hobbies and R/C hobbies to come and see and experience our passions up close. Many kids today don't even know this kind of thing exists. Cars, planes, boats, railroads...if its not on Playstation, they don't know about it. It is hoped the Hobby Expo will fix some of that and bring new people into our hobbies.



Scott Black also reported that his sailplane is an Airtronics Sagitta 900. It has a 99" wingspan and 900 square inches. Its considered "open class" for competition. It was primarily designed for thermal duration. Its longest flight was about 1 hour 15 minutes as I recall! The plane is traditional construction with Monokote covering. I'm sorry, but I don't recall the weight with radio. It was as light as possible! I built it in 1985 or so. It has flown many times when I belonged to the "East Tennessee Soaring Society" back then. A really nice club of guys in Oak Ridge, Tennessee near Knoxville.

Full-Scale Report

Jeff Stultz
jestultz@indy.rr.com

For those of you that don't know, for the last 6 months I have been restoring a 1968 E33A Beechcraft Bonanza. As of Saturday 5 April, this project is finally coming to fruition. At around 7 pm EST, 7181Ns engine fired, and ran like the finely tuned machine that she is. This is a pretty exciting occasion for me as airplanes have been a passion of mine for a very long time and this is my baby. The aircraft has been grounded at Bloomington Indiana for the past 12 years and will soon be taking to the air again.



She's not perfect yet but she will be airworthy and safe when she spreads her wings again. The picture attached is shortly after I ran her up and made sure systems were operating properly. I have relied heavily on two awesome friends; Gordon Hutchinson and Doug Cross who I could not have done this project without. These 2 guys are THE definition of friend. There has also been a list of "corporate sponsors" who have helped to make this possible. It is truly amazing what an aviation enthusiast will do to help a fellow nutcase! Rex and the crew of Cook Aviation at Bloomington has put up with us stealing their cookies and coffee and using their facilities for the last 6 months - without question. Rex even found us a hangar to work out of over the winter. Pat Robinson and the crew at Indy Aero on the east side of Indy has helped with parts, expertise and advise on the best approach to getting this aircraft back in the air (where it belongs)! To all that helped, you have my undying gratitude and loyalty. Jeff 7181N



Treasurer's Report

Dick Dietz, Treasurer
ridietz@tds.net

Future Field Fund Report

Your Future Field Fund totals \$2,789.23

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, 2007 and 2008. 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.

The Screaming Eagles Treasurer's Report is presented for review and acceptance at each club meeting. Copies are available to all members upon request. Call or email your Treasurer if you want a copy. Or you can attend the meetings with me.

We currently have 63 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!



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

By Andrew Clark
aclark@abcdigital.net

May 3rd

Steve Shoop's Annual Fly-In
Butterfly Hills
Nashville, In

May 17th

Indy Admirals Spring Fling R/C Sailboat Regatta
Avon Town Hall Lake
<http://www.indyadmirals.org/>

June 29

Warbird Fly In at Corsair Field

July 19th

3rd Annual Boyd Helstrom
Warbird Fly-in
Tracee Field
Johnson County Park

www.screamingeagles.org

Screaming Eagles R/C Club

Welcomes the public to the premier

LOWES' AIRPLANE SHOW

Radio Controlled Model Aircraft Static Show

Lowes' Avon Parking Lot

1:00 – 4:00 PM

Saturday, May 3, 2008

(Rain Date May 11th)



Introduction to R/C Flying

Plainfield Re-Entry Educational Facility

Airfield – Plainfield, Indiana

1:00 – 4:00 PM

Sunday, May 4, 2008

(Rain Date May 12th)



**For Information contact
Bill Pence, Event chairman**

317-313-4802

wpence@indy.rr.com

Fly An R/C Airplane!

Your are invited to visit the
Screaming Eagles R/C Club
Flying Field Located at
Plainfield Re-Entry Educational Facility
501 W. Main Street
Plainfield, Indiana 46168

Sunday Afternoon 1:00 – 4:00 PM

Fly on a "Buddy-Box" with Experienced Instructors
No Cost – No obligation – No Risk



**VICTOR V32 ONE DESIGN CLASS SAILBOATS &
US ONE METER CLASS SAILBOATS**

SPRING FLING!

R/C SAILING REGATTA



*Indianapolis Admirals
sailing rules shall apply to
both classes.
www.IndyAdmirals.org

**SPECTATORS
WELCOME!**



**MAY 17TH,
2008**

**10:30 AM
TO
3:30 PM**

www.INDYADMIRALS.ORG

Questions? HelloScott@aol.com



The V32 "Spring Fling"
Regatta is being held at
Avon Town Hall Park Lake
in Avon, Indiana.

THANK YOU - TOWN OF AVON!