

The Fliteline

Screaming Eagles R/C Club, Inc.

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Next Club Meeting At the Plainfield Public Library

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Well, I am about to start my sixth time as club president. I was president in 1985, 1997, 2003, 2004, and 2005. I keep trying to get it right, so maybe *this* time will be a charm. ☺ We have a mix of new and old blood in our club officials, which I hope will refresh the energy that has made our club a premier organization. Yes, we do have an agenda, which I hope the membership will support in spirit as well as participation.

- **Increase membership**...through more civic and public involvement with additional free demo flights and lessons.
- **Increase club events**...adding a spring fling, electric fly, and fun flies.
- **Increase flight proficiency**...encouraging more beginner and advanced flight training.
- **Improve the west shelter house**...making it a more useful year around asset.
- **Increased member activity**...activating the established committees and using the talents of more of our members.
- **Continue efforts**... to develop excellent relationships with area clubs.
- **Involve the ladies**...with a committee of ladies to plan and operate family activities.

Thirty-seven people came to the Christmas dinner and after a brief club meeting, enjoyed fine Golden Corral food in Plainfield, Indiana.



A special thanks to **Barb Ross**, who supervised the room layout, produced eleven table centerpieces, and then raffled them off to the lucky winners. She also has setup our 2012 Christmas dinner at Martha's Vineyard in Plainfield, who has lots of room and excellent food. Mark your calendar for December 3, 2012.



As you can see, a room filled with smiling, happy Christmas spirit faces!



We went from a mixture of the very old...



...to the very young...



...to the very cute...but, remember...



...youth and beauty are in the eye of the beholder...

President **Shea Farnsley** opened the meeting, conducted the 2012 club officer election; and then presented certificates of recognition to the 2011 club officers. Club Chaplain **Gary Cornwell** offered a word of praise...then the stampede to waiting buffet was on. ☺



Eric Mohr received a certificate as vice-president and one for promotions & events chairman.



Ron Richardson was secretary for six consecutive years, served two terms on the exec committee, and several terms as safety & instruction chairman.



Bob Groves has been president five times, treasurer two times, and on the exec committee five times.



Dick Dietz was vice-president in 1982, president in 1983, exec committee in 2005, and has been the club treasurer since 2006.



John Nyland has been on the exec committee for six consecutive years along with being the field chairman during those years.



Doug Fish has been president once, vice-president five times, and on the exec committee four times.



John & Karen Nyland being presented a meritorious service plaque for their continuing outstanding service to the club. *Well deserved!*

2003



After awarding the 2011 honors, **Shea Farnsley** then received his president's plaque from president-elect **Bob Groves**.

Down Memory Lane From Old Newsletters

1996



Winter snow flying. L to R: **Noell Nighbert, Johnnie Anderson, Dave Harris, Bob Groves, Ken Hewitt, Dave Bloomer, Steve Ragsdale.** The airplane is Groves' KAOS 60 on skis.



New Member Application...John Nyland (shown with his wife **Karen**) has submitted a senior membership application to join our club. Just getting started in R/C, John has flown with instructors **Jim Lutes, Mika Woodward, and Bob Groves.** John works as an air traffic controller with the Federal Aviation Administration assigned to the FAA tower at the Indianapolis International Scareport.

2006



New Member Application...Chris Atwood is our newest club member. He has been flying r/c for 9 years, and enjoys helping newcomers to the hobby. Previously, he served as secretary of the North side club; where he developed an instruction syllabus that club uses to teach and evaluate new members. For work he flies Cessna Citation Business Jets for AireCorr LLC out of Indy International. He is a full-

scale flight instructor and former aerobatics instructor for Indiana State University. He has experience in 48 different makes and models of full-scale aircraft. Welcome aboard, Chris!



Ron Richardson lost his mind and really got into helicopters that year...just sayin'. 😊

2007



Dawn Power Dissolver

Pictured is my 20+ year old Fox .35 control line engine. Note that is now clean and shiny thanks to the **Dawn Power Dissolver**. It was covered with the dark brown varnish crap that comes as a by-product

from burning castor oil glow fuel. That varnish is something that will not come off easily. Well, after reading about this stuff in Model Airplane News™ in a tip by Randy Byers from Bloomington, Indiana, I went to Kroger and bought a bottle. I had my doubts, but all I did was spray it on, wait a little bit, and then started brushing it with an old tooth brush. That brown gook came rolling off. After I cleaned the engine, I rinsed it in hot water; compressed air dried it, and then applied my usual after-run oil. (Marvels Mystery Oil) So if you have a varnished up engine and muffler, give it a try. It works!

(Editor's 2011 update...Doug Nastally used this on an engine he purchased with great results. A side benefit, he said, was it cleaned his watchband to looking like new again.)



From FaceBook



Nathan Carter posted this great shot from his jet cockpit...eerily neat, huh?



Dick Dietz
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We have 59 members in the club and looking for more to join us in the fun, so invite someone to go flying with you. Membership dues will remain the same for 2012, and I already have thirty-two memberships for 2012. I look forward to seeing yours. Don't forget to renew your AMA membership as well.

The bank accounts are in good shape and you can always come to the monthly meeting to hear an exciting full report. ☺

Your Future Field Fund CD is valued at over \$3300. Thanks for all the continuing contributions to this fund!

The Executive Committee has decided to establish a Capital Improvements Fund to accumulate money for necessary improvements to our field. This will operate much like the FFF fund and contributions will be accepted and deposited for these improvements. Hear more about this and candidate projects at the next club meeting

The Treasurer's report is always available to members on request.

I hope to see you at the January meeting.

Dick Dietz



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BUZZARD

If you put a buzzard in a pen that is 6 feet by 8 feet and is entirely open at the top, the bird, in spite of its ability to fly, will be an absolute prisoner. The reason

is that a buzzard always begins a flight from the ground with a run of 10 to 12 feet. Without space to run, as is its habit, it will not even attempt to fly, but will remain a prisoner for life in a small jail with no top.

BAT

The ordinary bat that flies around at night, a remarkably nimble creature in the air, cannot take off from a level place. If it is placed on the floor or flat ground, all it can do is shuffle about helplessly and, no doubt, painfully, until it reaches some slight elevation from which it can throw itself into the air. Then, at once, it takes off like a flash.

BUMBLEBEE

A bumblebee, if dropped into an open tumbler, will be there until it dies, unless it is taken out. It never sees the means of escape at the top, but persists in trying to find some way out through the sides near the bottom. It will seek a way where none exists, until it completely destroys itself.

PEOPLE

In many ways, there are lots of people like the buzzard, the bat, and the bumblebee. They are struggling about with all their problems and frustrations, not ever realizing that all they have to do is look up.

The days are now getting longer, anxious RC Pilots christen the New Year by competing to be the first in the air on January 1st, and we all hope that our flying activities will be better than ever in 2012. I am looking forward to a new flying season with a great group of 'Screaming Eagles.' As Chaplin of the club, if I can assist you in dealing with any grief that you may experience from a mid-air collision or unexpected crash, need counseling when stress occurs in your marriage from spending more time at the flying field than with your wife on a date, or need someone to visit you in the hospital after an apparent heart attack that strikes when the new airplane you've worked on all winters suddenly disappears beyond the sunset, I'll be just a phone call away.

Keep Looking Up!

Classified Ads

For Sale

- OS Max 61 engine with muffler \$75.00
- 60 size Protender red and yellow with OS Max 91 4 cycle engine \$125.00 (just needs radio and servos)

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New Year's Day 2012
Cold, extremely windy



David Jugg...first to fly at the Screaming Eagles field, 9:00 am, Sunday, January 1, 2012. Wind was gusting to 26 mph and light sleet was falling. You are all man Brother Jugg, way to go.



Doug Fish and Dave Jugg



Bob Groves and Dave Jugg

A reminder...

Please pay you AMA and Club dues, if you have not done so already.



Thanks!