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TAILSPIN NEWSLETTER

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A Word From The President:

It's been an interesting month for the club's scheduled events. The June Fun Fly was a very windy day, not too many folks braved the gusty winds. The Quickie race event was more than a little damp, although we did hold the event and we had a turnout of folks from the KC area. The Old Timers event was also very windy I did get one flight in, but decided not to pursue another. Hopefully we will have better weather the rest of the year.

July events include the Club meeting on the 1st, an Old Timer event on the 12th, and a Quickie race event on the 20th. Lets all get out to the events and enjoy our sport. Have Fun.

Thanks

~ Rick Miller

Vice-President's Corner:

Rain. That has been the operative word for our flying lately. Perhaps non-operative as we've been grounded for most of the month. Although our Springfield site is high and dry, the road in was muddy with deep ruts for a long while. With care you can easily negotiate the road. So there are no excuses for not getting out to Springfield. Remember! Safety in numbers!

Using the frequency board is important for transmitter control. It also identifies you as a current Western Flyers member with the use of your 2008 membership card. Please continue to use the frequency board.

Something we all should be concerned about and aware of is the West Nile virus that is transmitted by the mosquito. Please take the time to read the CDC article that I've included in this newsletter for your awareness. As they say, "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

Also, I am always thankful to receive photos for the newsletter that were taken by others. There are several photos that were submitted for this issue by Heather that are found on page six.

Come out and fly!

~ Nelson Carpenter

Next Meeting:

7:00pm Tuesday, July 1st, 2008

Location: Springfield Flying Site



Treasurer's Report:

To be provided at the next club meeting.

Thank You!

~ Ed Splitgerber

June Meeting Notes:

The June meeting was called to order by President Rick Miller at 7:30 p.m.

The first call to order was old business in which there were no items for the Western Flyers to discuss at the time.

The Treasurers report was given Ed Splittgerber. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the treasurer's report.

The next call to order was new business. The only new business that was discussed was the upcoming events and whether or not all logistics were in place. As of this time, all logistics are in place. However volunteers are needed to help with the upcoming August 16/17 IMAA Bud Hall Memorial Fun Fly.

Bob Burt gave the Field Marshall report. His report was a complete breakdown of this year's cost for field maintenance. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept his report.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Blue Skies

~ Dustin Anderson

Tips & Tricks

Keep Your Parts in Place

Ever had the prop nut, washer, and propeller fly off while airborne? Ever heard that sickening "crack!" when you touch the starter to the engine and then spend the next hour looking for the prop nut in the tall weeds? Well, try this solution:

Put an o-ring on the end of the engine crank shaft after you get everything secured. It may keep the prop nut from spinning all the way off next time your engine decides to be cantankerous.

By the way, I hope you have been around long enough to know that propellers, especially the wooden kind, compress after being subjected to tightening down of the prop nut. That's why you see so many coming loose early Saturday morning at the field. What was tight for the last flight on Sunday ain't tight a week later. Check 'em!

—From the Beachmasters R/C Club, Ocean Park, West Virginia

Website: <http://www.weflyrc.org/>

West Nile Virus and You

What Is West Nile Virus?



West Nile virus (WNV) is a potentially serious illness. Experts believe WNV is established as a seasonal epidemic in North America that flares up in the summer and continues into the fall. This fact sheet contains important information that can help you recognize and prevent West Nile virus.

What Can I Do to Prevent WNV? The easiest and best way to avoid WNV is to prevent mosquito bites.

- When you are outdoors, use insect repellents containing an

EPA-registered insect repellent. Follow the directions on the package.

- Many mosquitoes are most active at dusk and dawn. Be sure to use insect repellent and wear long sleeves and pants at these times or consider staying indoors during these hours.
- Make sure you have good screens on your windows and doors to keep mosquitoes out.
- Get rid of mosquito breeding sites by emptying standing water from flower pots, buckets and barrels. Change the water in pet dishes and replace the water in bird baths weekly. Drill holes in tire swings so water drains out. Keep children's wading pools empty and on their sides when they aren't being used.

What Are the Symptoms of WNV?

- **Serious Symptoms in a Few People.** About one in 150 people infected with WNV will develop severe illness. The severe symptoms can include high fever, headache, neck stiffness, stupor, disorientation, coma, tremors, convulsions, muscle weakness, vision loss, numbness and paralysis. These symptoms may last several weeks, and neurological effects may be permanent.

- **Milder Symptoms in Some People.** Up to 20 percent of the people who become infected will display symptoms which can include fever, headache, and body aches, nausea, vomiting, and sometimes swollen lymph glands or a skin rash on the chest, stomach and back. Symptoms can last for as short as a few days, though even healthy people have been sick for several weeks.

- **No Symptoms in Most People.** Approximately 80 percent of people (about 4 out of 5) who are infected with WNV will not show any symptoms at all, but there is no way to know in advance if you will develop an illness or not.

How Does West Nile Virus Spread?

- **Infected Mosquitoes.** Most often, WNV is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito. Mosquitoes become infected when they feed on infected birds. Infected mosquitoes can then spread WNV to humans and other animals when they bite.

How Soon Do Infected People Get Sick? People typically develop symptoms between 3 and 14 days after they are bitten by the infected mosquito.

How Is WNV Infection Treated? There is no specific treatment for WNV infection. In cases with milder symptoms, people experience symptoms such as fever and aches that....

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...pass on their own, although illness may last weeks to months even in healthy persons. In more severe cases, people usually need to go to the hospital where they can receive supportive treatment including intravenous fluids, help with breathing, and nursing care.

What Should I Do if I Think I Have WNV? Milder WNV illness improves on its own, and people do not necessarily need to seek medical attention for this infection though they may choose to do so. If you develop symptoms of severe WNV illness, such as unusually severe headaches or confusion, seek medical attention immediately. Severe WNV illness usually requires hospitalization. Pregnant women and nursing mothers are encouraged to talk to their doctor if they develop symptoms that could be WNV.

What Is the Risk of Getting Sick from WNV?

- **People over 50 at higher risk to get severe illness.** People over the age of 50 are more likely to develop serious symptoms of WNV if they do get sick and should take special care to avoid mosquito bites.
- **Being outside means you're at risk.** The more time you're outdoors, the more time you could be bitten by an infected mosquito. Pay attention to avoiding mosquito bites if you spend a lot of time outside, either working or playing.
- **Risk through medical procedures is very low.** All donated blood is checked for WNV before being used. The risk of getting WNV through blood transfusions and organ transplants is very small, and should not prevent people who need surgery from having it. If you have concerns, talk to your doctor.
- **Pregnancy and nursing do not increase risk of becoming infected with WNV.** The risk that WNV may present to a fetus or an infant infected through breast milk is still being evaluated. Talk with your care provider if you have concerns.

For more information, visit www.cdc.gov/westnile, or call CDC at 800-CDC-INFO (English and Spanish) or 888-232-6348 (TTY).

Source: Dept of Health and Human Services
Center for Disease Control and Prevention

REWARDS PROGRAM

Remember to use [Hobbytown's Reward Program](#). With every purchase by a WF member, the club receives a credit for an amount equal to 1 percent of your purchase. Be sure to mention your [Western Flyers affiliation](#) when making a purchase at either Hobby Town location.



WeFlyRC.org - Items for Sale Page

Several For Sale /Trade items are newly listed.

If you are interested in posting a free ad for your for sale/trade /or wanted items.

Send a photo, detailed description, your email address & phone number to: Weflyrc10@yahoo.com

Joe will get them posted as soon as possible. Remember, we have a world wide presence with our website, so be sure and declare if you are willing to ship or not.

As always, buyer beware, investigate before sending money!

OIL SUPPLY AFFECTS MODELING?

Below is a message that was forwarded to Bob Boumstein a short while ago. Interesting and maybe a little alarming if you use glow fuel:

Subject: Sig Fuel

Leonard,

I just wanted to give you a heads up and you might pass it on to the club that ALL of the fuel by every manufacturer is going to be very hard to find over the summer. I placed an order with Sig on the 20th of May for a fuel restock and hadn't received it yet so I called them this morning and they said that they wouldn't be able to fill the order until mid August, maybe early September due to China shutting down most of the Nitro plants leading up to and during the Olympics.

I talked to Cool Power as well and it is basically the same story.

I don't want to panic you guys but I did think that you should know.

Thank you,
Daniel and Chelsy Schmidt
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SCHEDULED 2008 FLYING EVENTS

Quickee 500 Races



Sponsored by the Western R/C Flyers AMA 857
Omaha Nebraska

Location:
Mead Flying Site, U.N.L. field lab. grounds, 3.5 miles South of Mead and 1/3rd mile East on the East side of the large storage building. Mead is located west of Omaha on hwy. 92. Spectators welcome! AMA membership required to fly.

3 Classes:
Sportsman, Thunder Tiger 40 Pro, **428**, Nelson, Jett
Quickee, MVVS, Rossi

Time:
Check In 9:30 Racing 10:00

Field may be available on Saturday afternoons for practice also, check our event schedule at www.weflyrc.org or contact the good folks below!

Entry Fee:
\$10.00 Sportsman \$20.00 Quickee, 428
Money returned to winners each race day!

Dates:
May 18 June 8 July 20 August 24 September 21

Contacts:
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www.WeFlyRC.org



OLD - TIMER Fun -Flies

Hosted by
**Western R/C
Flyers**



www.WeFlyRC.org 

AMA Card Required

Location: Western R/C Flyers Mead Field 20 minutes west of Omaha, Ne.

2008 Schedule	
MAY 10th Saturday 9:00am till 2:00pm Open flying	AUGUST 9th Saturday 9:00am till 2:00pm Open Flying
June 14th Saturday 9:00am till 2:00pm Open Flying	SEPTEMBER 13th Saturday 9:00am till 2:00pm Open Flying
JULY 12th Saturday 9:00am till 2:00pm Open Flying	OCTOBER 11th Saturday 9:00am till 2:00pm Open Flying

All AMA pilots & spectators welcome. Flying limited to Old-Timer type aircraft. Open flying from 9:00am till 2:pm. Food & Pop served to pilots. Bring your lawn chairs and portable shades welcome! Unisex Porta-Pot, plenty of flight line parking.

Western R/C Flyers Mead field 3.7 miles south of Mead on highway 78F. Take Center street (Omaha, Highway 92) west, past Yutan to Mead. Turn South on Highway 78F. Go approximately 3.7 miles turn left at sign.

For more information contact: Bob Burt Phone: Email: reburt@yahoo.com
or
Visit our Western R/C Flyers website!
www.WeflyRC.org

2008 19th Annual Bud Hall Memorial IMAA Fun Fly



284 Aero Squadron IMAA 284
Sponsored by the Western R/C Flyers
Omaha Nebraska - AMA 857

Location: Western R/C Flyers Field - Mead Nebraska
When: Saturday & Sunday August 16th & 17th 2008
Time: Registration begins at 9:00am - Open Flying from 10 a.m. till 3p.m. *Both Days!*

Details: All AMA - IMAA rules apply. *Open flying both days!* Aircraft limited to minimum of 1/4 scale or 80 inch & up monoplanes, 60 inch & up biplanes as per IMAA rules.

All pilots must present AMA & IMAA membership cards upon sign up.
AMA pilots may join the IMAA at the field and fly the same day!

\$10.00 Landing fee includes a great pilot lunch, drinks

RAFFLE!

Spectators Welcome! - Bring your lawn chairs & Sunshades!
Transmitter impound. - Large well maintained *low cut* grass runway!

Back up pit parking! - Large Spectator parking area next to white building.

Take Highway 92 (Center Industrial Road) west from Omaha to Mead Nebraska. Turn south on County road 78F, go south 3.7 miles watch for signs at Mead & field entrance, 20 minutes west of Omaha.

Info: Bob Burt reburt@yahoo.com 402-339-7482
Randy Tentinger rtentinger@cox.net 402-734-0947

Go to www.WeflyRC.org for maps & details
Downloadable maps available at the Western R/C Flyer's website!

Fall Fun-Fly and Swapmeet

Outdoor - Weather Permitting
10am - 3pm
Sunday
September 7th, 2008
Western R/C Flyers - Mead Field

Hosted by the Western R/C Flyers Omaha, Nebraska - AMA 857.

Open flying for any R/C aircraft!

Scale - Non-Scale! Electrics to the Giant Gassers!

No Contest! - No Prize! - Just a good old fashion "Open Flying" & Swap Meet Fun Day!

Bring your own lunch, your sunshades, and your lawn chairs & enjoy the day!

All pilots MUST be a card-carrying member of the AMA, bring your 2008 card for check-in.

Open Flying and Outdoor Swap meet from 10am - 3pm!

Have airplanes or equipment for sale or trade? Bring 'em out & hang a sign!

- *Flying pilots/swapers - Will set up behind your vehicle in the pit area!*
- *Non-Flying swapers only, set up in designated areas, see Joe Halamek for set-up details day of event. Swap meet set-up will start after 9:00am.*

Free, NO Registration Fees!
AMA membership required to fly!

Visitors and Spectators are always welcome!

Western R/C Flyers Mead Field - Highway 92 west to Mead, turn south on 78F, go 3.7 miles. Watch for signs from 78F.



Sorry, No Rain Date!
www.weflyrc.org

Contact:
Joe Halamek
weflyrc@ed.com
410-592-7876
email preferred

CLUB FLYING ACTIVITIES – JUNE 2008



Tuesday Night Flying Photos by Heather

Heather had her camera on one of the few Tuesday nights we were able to fly at Springfield due to the weather. She caught some candid action by those flying that night. Including the "peanut gallery" in their very relaxed and *stretched out* state who were ever so critical of everyone else's flying... Guess we should go easy on their cooking of the hot dogs next Tuesday night.



~ 2008 Western R/C Flyers Event Schedule ~

2008 Tuesday Night Fun-Flys, Springfield, Every Tuesday night May 1st through September 4th! 2008

(Weather Permitting)

Food – Fun – Flying – Friends!

**January
2008**

Tuesday, Jan 8th - Meeting
- 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.
(CAP meeting room, basement, far left of entrance)

**February
2008**

Tuesday, Feb 5th - Meeting
- 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.
(Board Room, just inside right of main entrance)

**March
2008**

Tuesday, Mar 4th - Meeting
- 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.
(Board Room, just inside right of main entrance)

**April
2008**

Tuesday, Apr 1st - Meeting
- 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.
(Board Room, just inside right of main entrance)
Friday, April 18th - WRCF Auction Set-Up
- 7pm, BJS Building - Bellevue
Saturday, April 19th - Annual R/C Auction
- BJS Building - Bellevue - Sign in at 8am
Auction Starts at 10am (Members should be there no later than 7:45am Auction day)

**May
2008**

Tuesday, May 6th - Meeting
- 7pm, Springfield Flying Site, bring a plane, open flying & food
Saturday, May 10th - Old-timers Fun Fly
Spring Round-up
- Mead Field 9am
Sunday, May 18th - Quickee Racing
- Mead Field - Check in @ 9:30am, Racing starts @ 10am

**June
2008**

Tuesday, Jun 3rd - Meeting
- 7pm, Springfield Flying Site, bring a plane, open flying & food
Saturday, Jun 7th - Spring IMAA Fun Fly
- 10am Mead Field (Limited to Giant scale IMAA aircraft, \$5.00 landing fee, Open Flying)
Saturday, June 14th - Old-timers Fun Fly
- 9am, Mead field
Sunday June 8th - Quickee Racing
- Mead Field - Check in @ 9:30am, Racing starts @ 10am

**July
2008**

Tuesday, Jul 1st - Meeting
- 7pm, Springfield Flying Site bring a plane, open flying & Food
Saturday, July 12th - Old-timers Fun Fly - 9am, Mead field
Sunday, July 20th - Quickee Racing
- Mead Flying Site - Check in @ 9:30am, Racing starts @ 10am

**August
2008**

Tuesday, Aug 5th - Meeting
- 7pm, Springfield Flying Site - bring a plane, open flying & food
Saturday, August 9th - Old-timers Fun Fly
- 9am, Mead Field
Saturday & Sunday, August 16th & 17th - 19th Annual Bud Hall Memorial IMAA Fun Fly
- Mead Field -9am both days, aircraft limited to IMAA members, large scale aircraft all AMA - IMAA rules apply. May join IMAA at the field. (80inch & up monoplanes, 60 inch up biplanes)
Sunday, Aug 24th - Quickee Racing
- Mead Field - Check in @ 9:30am, Racing starts @ 10am

**September
2008**

Tuesday, Sep 2nd - Meeting
- 7pm, Springfield Flying Site - bring a plane, open flying & Food (Last Tuesday food will be served)
Sunday, September 7th - Open Fun Fly and Outdoor Swap meet - Mead Field - Swap Meet set-up after 9:00am, Open Flying @ 10am - 3pm
Saturday, September 13th - Old-timers Fun Fly
- 9am, Mead Field
Sunday, Sep 21st - Quickee Racing
- Mead Field - Check in @ 9:30am, Racing @ 10am

**October
2008**

Tuesday, Oct 7th - Meeting
- 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.
(CAP meeting room, basement, far left of entrance)
Saturday, October 11th - Old-timers Fun Fly - 9am, Mead Field

**November
2008**

Tuesday, Nov 11th - Meeting
- 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.
(Board Room, just inside right of main entrance)
- Nominations taken for 2009 Officers

**December
2008**

Tuesday, Dec 2nd - Meeting
- 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.
(Board Room, just inside right of main entrance)
- 2009 Officer elections

Want to schedule a 2008 event? Contact any officer or attend a club meeting with a proposal.

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Tailspin Newsletter
Western RC Flyers
Omaha, Nebraska

TO:

Western R/C Flyers Inc. 2008 Membership Application

Please print clearly!

Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

Evening Phone: _____ Day Phone: _____

Email: _____

AMA Number: _____ IMAA Number: _____

Dues Paid: \$ _____

2008 Dues: \$35 (2008 Renewals must be paid by **February 1**) New/Renewal: ___ New ___ Renewal ___ (Check One)

Sign Here: _____ Date _____

AMA membership is required
Make Checks Payable to: Western R/C Flyers

Print this form and send check to WR/CF Treasurer:
Ed Splitgerber 5046 S. 174th St. Omaha, Nebraska 68135