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A Word From The President:

Well another Auction is behind us and it was a successful financial endeavor, with the funds raised. The radio raffle went very well this year, thanks to all that helped with the raffle. A special thanks to all those who helped us with the Auction event and supported the fund raising activities. (*Salute*) The final money results of the raffle will be reported by our very own Ed Splitgerber at the May meeting.

The Auction is in trouble, and it seems that our annual fund raiser is in jeopardy. We need to seriously look at how we can man this activity in the future and if we are going to have it at all. There was not enough help at the event. We need to evaluate this for next year and take a hard look at how we are going to make up the funds.

Now that the warmer weather is here, let's go fly. The fields been rolled plane benches have been installed. Mowing equipment is ready so ,,.,Lets have fun.

Thanks

~ Rick Miller

Vice-President's Corner:

The annual auction had 113 registered and paid attendees with 224 items on the block. It was a struggle mainly due to a lack of help, but we accomplished another fund raising auction for the club. Scott Molck won the radio raffle.

So with the auction behind us, we can now focus on getting out to the field to fly our airplanes. Remember! Don't fly alone!

Within this newsletter you will find an aerial photo of our Springfield flying site. It shows the delineation of the designated flying zones. It is most important that you take note of where we should not be flying our airplanes.

Related to the flying zones is the need to keep our airplane engines from being too loud. Make sure you have a good muffler on those engines. The club has a sound meter which Joe Halamek will bring to the field occasionally so that you can check the sound level of your engines for compliance.

Come out and fly!

~ Nelson Carpenter

Next Meeting:

7:00pm Tuesday, May 6, 2008

Location: Springfield Flying Site



Treasurer's Report:

To be provided at the May meeting.

Thank You!

~ Ed Splitgerber

April Meeting Notes:

The April meeting was called to order by VP Nelson Carpenter at 7:05 P.M. on April 1st. We started out by hearing the Treasurers report given by Treasurer Ed Splitgerber.

As far as old business Ed gave a report on the mower situation. A mower that had been found to purchase, but was not acceptable by all committee members so it was declined.

Discussion was heard on whether or not we need to pay....

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April Meeting Notes Cont...

.... anything to IMAA as far as dues or sanctioning are concerned. Dean Copeland is to look into the matter and report back at the next meeting.

A motion was made by Jim Drickey to buy a brand new mower. That motion was seconded and passed unanimously. A motion was made by Dean Copeland and passed to budget the purchase for no more than \$2000.00 including tax. Secretary Dustin Anderson informed club members that April 5th and 6th the fields would be rolled and that the cost for the roller would be roughly \$115.00. A motion was passed to reimburse Bob Boumstein the fuel cost for use of his vehicle and trailer for transporting the roller.

As far as new business is concerned, discussion was heard on how to reduce the number of returned auction flyers that are mailed out. One suggestion that was accepted is to get e-mail addresses, and that would save on postage next year as well.

Ed Splittgerber reported on radios available to purchase for the raffle. Our Hobbytown credit would be used to offset the cost. The club voted to purchase the Futaba 6EX FSST radio.

Ed also reported that we had purchased the computer auction program and discussed whether or not we needed to make available additional computers for the auction.

Motion was made and passed to continue with the numbered item stickers for the auction. Bob Burt volunteered to be the person to put stickers on the auction items.

Discussion was held on making a sign for the entrances of both fields to inform people that we are a members only club and that without membership not to trespass. It was suggested that the signs say "WRCF Members Only". Dean Copeland volunteered to have the signs made.

Discussion was also heard concerning an individual non-member who has been intruding on the Springfield site. This person usually shows up on Sunday mornings. Beyond that, flying is not allowed before noon on Sundays. *If any member observes this person at the field, try to get his name and vehicle license number.* Then please discretely report him to the Sarpy County Sheriff and have him escorted off the field.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:37 P.M.

Blue Skies

~ Dustin Anderson

News, Rumors, and Gossip



Well Toledo has come and went for 2008, and once again I was in the Swap Shop for two days. The overall attendance seemed to be down at the show, but it did not deter us as we did fine at the Swap Shop. I sold nearly 140 Indoor Heli's for the cheap price of \$15 each. If anyone wants one I have a few

left I will bring them to our Auction.

The Auction on Saturday night was pretty much a sad affair. The quality of what we saw was far less the in the years past. Perhaps the advent of electric planes and ARF's is taking a toll. I can't really say as in the past we would see marvelous aircraft commanding thousands of dollars, which was not the case this....

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News, Rumors, and Gossip Cont....

....year. This is a strange auction anyway as the buyer must pay the seller directly at the front immediately upon the sale. I guess it works as they have done this way for years.

Neither Steve Peck nor I made it into the main show, so I do not have any report on the action. I did not see people carrying out planes, kits etc as in years past. Perhaps the economy has taken an effect or the fact that there are several East Coast shows is in play. The answer may be in the magazine reports to come out.

Keep your wheels on!

~ Bob Boumstein

REWARDS PROGRAM

Remember to use Hobby Town'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.

Photo Essay of Auction 2008



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APRIL 2008 SHOW 'N TELL

Approximately 22 club members were present at the April meeting which focused on the auction activities and organization. Yet we had two show n' tell projects presented to the group.



Bob Burt brought a plane from out of the past. The classic Joe Bridi Kaos was designed as a sport pattern plane back in 1970. It has a wingspan of 59 inches and a length of 55 inches. It is meant for a .60 size two stroke engine. Bob told us that his intent was to get it covered and ready for the April 19th auction. But he first wanted to get one flight on it. This is one nice airplane that somebody is happy to have bought at the auction by the time you read this newsletter.

Dustin Anderson brought this large box to the meeting for Show N' Tell. Of course we all knew right away that it contained an



airplane of sorts. But the reason behind the box was that he wished to surprise his better half **Jennifer** for her birthday. Opening the box revealed to Jennifer and the rest of us the Modeltech Dragon Lady ARF. She was truly surprised and happy to get it. We can expect to see it ready and flying at our next gathering at Springfield. The Dragon Lady is a sharp looking ARF has balsa sheeted foam core wings. It is entirely covered with Monokote with a factory-painted cowl. Wingspan is 66 inches and powered by a .60 to .90 glow engine. It takes four servos and setup as a tail dragger. Jennifer should easily be able to fly this plane given the number of flight simulator hours she has in front of their widescreen television.



SPRINGFIELD FLYING FIELD BOUNDARIES

As a refresher for everyone, below is an aerial photo of our Springfield flying site. We have a specific area that must be flown in, with restrictions in the adjoining sections. Please review the boundaries closely, and if you have any questions speak to one of the club officials. Being considerate of our neighbors is important for the longevity of this flying field. Do your best to abide and stay within our designated Open Flying Area. Another related consideration is the noise generated by our motors and the need to minimize it.



Western R/C Flyers Spring Fun - Fly

Saturday June 7, 2008

Open Flying from 9:00am - 3:00pm

OMAHA, NE - AMA 857
AMA card required to fly

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

Any type or size of airplane, gas or electric may fly!

Trainers & Trainees welcome! Plenty of qualified help available.

Come check us out!



All AMA pilots & spectators welcome. Bring your lawn chairs and portable sun shades are welcome! Unisex Porta-Pot, plenty of flight line parking and spectator space. Spectators must remain behind the flight line.

Location: 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:

Visit our Western R/C Flyers website for maps & info!
www.WeflyRC.org

~ 2008 Western R/C Flyers Event Schedule ~

2008 Tuesday Night Fun-Flys, Springfield, Every Tuesday night May 6th through September 2nd 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 13th - 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