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A Word From The President:



Hello everyone, I hope all of you have those new planes ready to go, and the batteries checked and charged for the new flying year.

We have some events planned for this year, and we need to talk about them at the next meeting. These include our big Fun Fly meets

and of course the Auction.

The auction is our big fund raiser, and we need to have everyone help to raise the club operating funds. We can use help with our activities. If you could, please attend the next meeting to learn more about our club events and how you can assist.

Also, bring something for show and tell. We have had some great updates, and new projects shown at the meetings. It doesn't have to be a completed project for a good show and tell item. As a matter of fact, an in-progress type project is excellent.

Thanks to all of you who have your dues paid up for 2010. As a friendly reminder to others, please get them in when you have the chance. An easy way is to use the renewal form at the bottom of the newsletter and send it in with your check.

Best Regards

~ Rick Miller

Vice-President's Corner:



I hope everyone is getting their auction items ready. It is definitely a buyer's market as we saw at Lincoln this year. But don't let that discourage you sellers. Just think of it as "Spring Cleaning". We need volunteers for the auction so come to the April meeting if you wish to help. It doesn't have to be all day, but part of the day would help. See you in April.

Let's Fly!

~ Dustin Anderson

Next Meeting:

7:00 PM Tuesday – April 6, 2010

Location: NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills, 8901 S. 154th St.

(Board Room, upper level south)



HELP WANTED: Assemblers to make quick work of auction flyers for mailing at April meeting.

Treasurer's Report - April 2010

We have a total of 37 members to date including one new member, **Randy Fields** of Omaha.

A copy of the March Financial Report will be passed out at the April 6th meeting.

Thanks!

Dean Copeland



*A sneak peak at **Dave Kelly's** latest Mustang project soon to be revealed at a Show N' Tell.*

Rumors, Gossip and other Signs of Decay



Well finally an indoor Heli that flies worth a darn! Yes, I have an E-Sky V4 that is soooo much fun! It flies great and is stable right out of the box. You can get one for about \$100 and not be disappointed at all. I have to say my Eflite 2.4 is not half as good as this one.

So I bought an Esky Big Lama (do you not love the names the Chinese give these copters!) This Co-axial helicopter is 20" long and will fly outside in light winds. I guess that means 5 MPH or less. We Will see!

Auction 2010: I have an article to appear in our sister club the Omahawks next issue. The purpose is to ask for help at our Western Flyers auction. For that matter, we need all club members to help at our once-a-year fund raising event. Remember there is no auction impound this year, so check out will be fast. What we do need is top-notch front door security. Also need someone who is fast with money to cashier the food, and we need that kind of help.

See you at the Auction!!!!

~ Bob Boumstein

~ DONATIONS ~

FELLOW CLUB MEMBERS, PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING AN R/C RELATED ITEM THAT COULD BE USED TO RAISE MONEY IN THE WESTERN FLYERS AUCTION. THESE FUNDS WILL HELP TOWARDS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SECOND FLYING FIELD AND OTHER NEEDS OF THE CLUB.
THANK YOU.

Meeting Minutes - March 2, 2010

- **Rick Miller**, President, called meeting to order. Eighteen members present.
- Old Business:
 1. The search for a second field continues. Real estate companies have been contacted.
 2. Kudos to **Joe Halamek** for his efforts with the club's website. It is getting many visitors.
- New Business:
 1. All supplies for auction being gathered. Auction flyers will be assembled at the April meeting. Mailing the next day.
 2. Motion made and passed to make payment to **Kevin Hyde** for auction computer program to be used this year.
 3. Approval received for purchase of hot dogs and chips to be sold at the auction. Price to be \$3.00 for combo.
 4. Membership agreed that costs to print and mail newsletter could be cut. Those who have e-mail will no longer receive printed newsletter by postal service.
 5. Calendar of events 2010 will be finalized at April meeting. Last call.
- Treasurer's Report: **Dean Copeland** presented and members present accepted.
- Show & Tell.
- Meeting adjourned.

~ Bob Boumstein

REWARDS PROGRAM

Remember 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 Hobbytown location.

~ 2010 Auction Update ~



The Western Flyers Auction will be on **Sunday April 25th** at the Firemen's Hall located at 60th & Grover Streets in Omaha.

The "*Buy it Now*" feature will be used this year. This is for only those items valued at \$100 or more, and there will be a \$5.00 buyer's premium. As items are auctioned, it is the buyer's responsibility to check out which included taking the item immediately. An impound will not be used.

Extra hands will be required for moving and staging auction merchandise. Computer help will be needed too.

Everyone who helps with this important event is appreciated. This is the only fund raiser the Western Flyers hold each year.

If there are any questions feel free to contact me and I will answer to the best of my ability. Thank you in advance to everyone who plans to help. Even if your help is for just a few hours.

See you at the auction!

Bob Boumstein

Insurance Only Costs too Much When You Don't Have It

By Dustin Anderson

Sorry I missed last month's meeting. I wasn't feeling very social at the time due to mine and Heather's \$5,000 lesson in trailer insurance. The lesson I learned is that everything of value has to have a separate insurance writer.

This prompted us to re-evaluate our property and it's insurance. We don't have receipts for everything we have, so we are making video documentary of items with estimated values as proof of ownership. I suggest that titles and certificates of origin be scanned and saved on a flash drive as well. As for insuring model airplanes, don't forget that AMA insurance is only supplementary. Homeowners insurance doesn't always cover theft away from the residence.

In these economic times I would suggest that you keep a close eye on all your stuff when at the airfield. Thieves lurk in crowds. If you don't need it out then put it in your vehicle and lock it up. Locks only keep honest people honest, insurance takes care of the rest, as long as you have it. If you have anything of substantial value, you may want to set up a meeting with your insurance agent. Please share your insurance findings so we can pass it on to those who need to know.

~ NEW FIELD FINDER'S FEE ~

A \$500 FINDER'S FEE WILL BE PAID TO THE PERSON WHO LOCATES A SECOND FLYING FIELD THAT MEETS THE CLUB'S CRITERIA AND RESULTS IN A FIVE YEAR CONTRACT. FURTHER, ELIGIBILITY FOR THE FINDER'S FEE REQUIRES THAT THE PERSON(S) HAVE NO PRIOR OR CURRENT AFFILIATION WITH WESTERN FLYERS.



Show N' Tell at February Meeting

This winter we have had some interesting projects brought to the meetings for Show N' Tell. **Fred Becker** has proven to be a prolific builder of his own design models. Not to be undone at the last meeting, Fred brought along his Micro Fighter ducted fan jets. Yes, made of foam. The foam he used was that purchased at Menards, and sold as attic roof vent spacers.



These models have aileron and elevator control. Fred had not yet flown them at the time brought to the meeting. The small jet uses a 6mm pager motor 4.1v, in a stock Air Hog 30mm EDF fan. 22g AUW w/battery, 18g without. 10" wingspan. The larger jet uses a 12mm motor, 7.2v, flat can motor. Mounted in a stock Silverlit (Air Hogs) e-charger EDF from a free flight plane. It has 40g AUW with battery, 32g without. 11.5" wingspan.



The sheet of foam Fred used to build these models can be seen on the table. He actually used the preformed "V" to make the top of the fuselages.

Joey Thompson brought the fuse of his Hangar 9 Mustang. He had some questions that he bounced off the group. He is used an electric motor for power.



Bob Burt's twin PBV had a lot of interest.



Figuring out where to add wings to his rock climber was **Bob Boumstein**.

Bob Burt's PBY Project

Bob's PBY was built from plans over the winter. Plans came from Classic Plans Service. The wingspan is 72 inches with power from two Turnigy C3542-1100 electric motors. The ESC used is also a Turnigy rated at 40 amps with 5,000 mah battery. Bottom of fuselage is fibreglassed and the entire model is covered with Monokote. Bob says: "No water rudder, so I will have to figure how to control it on the water." This is a water version of the BPY and no landing gear installed. Paint scheme was taken from a book that depicted the PBY in an Air Force air, sea, rescue version.



Props used on this twin engine PBY are Master airscrew 8x6 , one regular and one pusher.



Western R/C Flyers
29th Annual R/C Auction Buy & Sell
 Sunday - April 25 - 2010

Firefighter's Union Hall - 6005 Grover Street Omaha, NE

\$5.00 Adult Admission
(Sellers, Buyers, Spectators, admission required)
 Children Under 12-Free

- Buyer/Seller Number & 1 Free Raffle Ticket
(Included with each Paid Admission)
- All Items will be sold in order of check in.
- Bidding Starts at \$20.00 - Sellers **MUST** group your Small Items!
- 10% Sellers Fee for all items sold
- If you buy back your own item there is a 10% Selling Fee
- Sellers may designate a **Minimum Selling Price** on Item Registration Card - \$5.00 "No Sale" Fee on Items not making minimum bid
- All items with no designated minimum bid will sell to the highest bidder!
- NEW "BUY IT NOW" OPTION for Sellers/Buyers!
- Checks or Cash only please!
- Fast Computer Check Out!

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From Iowa: I-40 West from Council Bluffs love to Exit 450 (60th St) turn North 2 blocks

From Lincoln: I-80 East to exit 450 (60th St), turn North 2 blocks

Tons of Bargains! Food, Friends & Fun!
Western R/C Flyers Inc. www.westflyrc.org

Detailed Maps and info on our Website
www.WeFlyRC.org
Door Prize Raffle!
\$1.00 dollar a ticket!
 Tons of Bargains!
 Food, Friends & Fun!

Convenient Location!
Just 2 Blocks North of I-80 Exit 450
 South 60th Street Omaha NE

Doors open at 7:30am
Auction 10:00am - 4:00pm

NEW "BUY IT NOW" Option!
Buy It Now" option will be offered for items worth \$100 or more prior to the Auction starting. A \$5 buyers premium will apply per item, simply bring the Buy It Now card to the CheckOut Computer and then pay the amount plus \$5, and remove the item.

Airplanes, Hel's, Engines, Radios, Cars, Boats, Tools, Supplies & More!

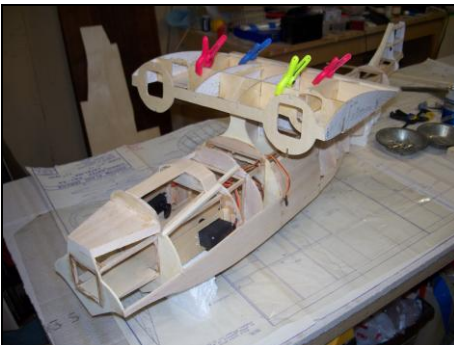
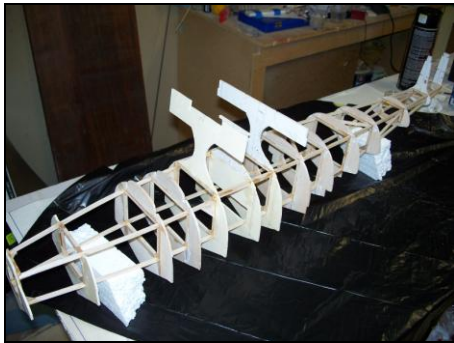
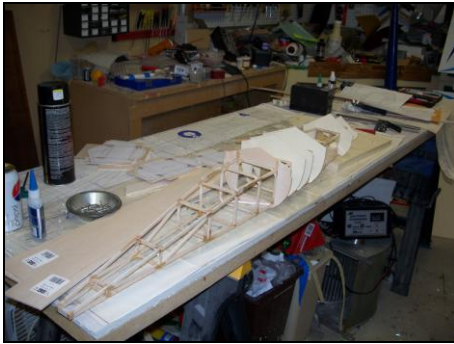
Food and Drinks Available! BEER sales after 12 Noon!

All Items will be considered in "AS IS", "unknown condition" by the Western R/C Flyers. As always, inspect the Items closely **BEFORE** the auction begins!
 All Bids are FINAL and no warranties or guarantees are expressed, or implied by the Western R/C Flyers.

PLEASE NOTE: This will be your last newsletter unless dues have been paid for 2010.

Bob Burt's PBY Build

Additional photos taken in Bob's workshop. These show the construction steps taken over the winter months on his electric powered PBY project.



~ 2010 Western R/C Flyers Event Schedule ~

TENTATIVE

January **2010**

Tuesday, Jan 2nd - Meeting
- 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.

February **2010**

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

March **2010**

Tuesday, Mar 2nd - Meeting
- 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.
(Downstairs meeting room – north end bldg)

April **2010**

Tuesday, Apr 6th - Meeting
- 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.
(Board Room, just inside right of main entrance)

- Sunday Apr 25th – Western RC Flyers 29^h Annual R/C Auction at Fireman's Union Hall located at 6005 Grover St. in Omaha. Doors open at 7:30am with bidding starting at 10:00am. Admission \$5.00 per person.

May **2010**

Tuesday, May 5th - Meeting
- 7pm, MEAD FIELD, bring a plane, open flying & food
- Sunday, May 8th – Old Timers event at Mead. Registration at 9:00am with flying until noon.
- Sunday, May 16th – Q500 races at Mead. Registration at 9:00am.

June **2010**

Tuesday, Jun 8th - Meeting
- 7pm, MEAD FIELD, bring a plane, open flying & food.
- Sunday, Jun 6th – Annual Spring Club Fun Fly at Mead Field starting at 10:00am. Open flying.
- Sunday Jun 20th – Q500 Races at Mead Field. Registration at 9:30am. Racing starts at 10:00am.

July **2010**

Tuesday, Jul 6th - Meeting
- 7pm, MEAD FIELD bring a plane, open flying & Food.
Saturday, July 10th - Old-Timers Fun Fly - 9am until noon Mead field.

Sunday, July 18th - Quickee Racing
- Mead Field - Check in 9:30am, Racing 10am

August **2010**

Tuesday, Aug 3rd - Meeting
- 7pm, MEAD FIELD a plane, open flying & food.

- Saturday, Aug 7th – Old Timers Fun Fly 9am until noon, Mead Field.

- Saturday and Sunday, Aug 14/15th – Bud Hall IMAA Fun Fly. Aircraft limited to IMAA criteria and membership. May join IMAA at field. Criteria 80" wingspan monoplane, 60" wingspan biplane, or a true ¼ scale aircraft. Landing fee \$10.00 provides lunch both days and flying.

- Sunday, Aug 22nd – Q500 races at Mead. Registration at 9:30am. Racing starts at 10:00am.

September **2010**

Tuesday, Sep 7th - Meeting
- 7pm, MEAD FIELD - bring a plane, open flying & Food (Last Tuesday food will be served)

- Sunday Sep 5th – The 4th Annual Fall Fun Fly and Swap Meet. Mead Field. Free to WRCF members, \$5.00 for non-members. Swap meet setup after 9am. Open flying 10am through 3pm.

- Sunday, Sep 11th – Old Timers Fun Fly – 9am until noon. Mead Field.

- Sunday, Sep 19th – Q500 races at Mead. Registration at 9:00am. Racing starts at 10am.

October **2010**

Tuesday, Oct 5th - Meeting
- 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.

November **2010**

Tuesday, Nov 2nd - Meeting
- 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.

December **2010**

Tuesday, Dec 7th - Meeting
- 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.

Want to schedule or sponsor a 2010 event? Contact any officer or attend the next club meeting with a proposal.



Tailspin Newsletter
Western RC Flyers
Omaha, Nebraska

TO:

Western R/C Flyers Inc. 2010 Membership Application

Please print clearly!

Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

Evening Phone: _____ Day Phone: _____

Email: _____

AMA Number: _____ IMAA Number: _____

Dues Paid: \$ _____

2010 Dues: \$35 (Renewals are due by **March 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:
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