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A Word from the President

Well the weather continues to get warmer, and prime flying time is nearer. The club's lawn mowers are serviced, and the new yard trailer is in the shed.

I have a couple of maiden flights to do soon, and I hope all of you have some new planes to go too. We can look forward to a great new season of fun and camaraderie.

Hope to see all of you at the next meeting.

Thanks

~ Rick Miller

Next Meeting:

7:00 PM Tuesday - April 3, 2012

Location: Papio-Missouri River NRD Bldg
(Lower level, enter bottom left side of building.)

Vice-President's Corner



Did you get some flying in during the month of March. If you didn't, you should have with the weather being decent as it has been. Further, don't fall behind as we enter into the flying season. Have your aircraft, radios, and equipment ready.

Note that your annual dues should be in by April 1st. Please do so if you haven't already. Thanks.



Jim Henley would like to politely remind everyone that the upcoming August 25th event is not a typical club fun fly. It will be a sanctioned AMA competitive event under rule 520 for scale aircraft.

The Burda Super Cub belongs to Loren Blinde as seen cruising the skies at Mead a week ago.

Lastly, if you have any photos and/or write-ups for the newsletter, please send them my way. Especially photos!

Come out and fly!

~ Nelson Carpenter



Treasurer's Report



It is the end of the first quarter and as of this date we only have 30 membership renewals for the 2012 flying season. With that said, I would urge you to send in your dues so that you will be able to enjoy one of the best flying fields in the area. With the great weather we have already had this year who knows what will be waiting for us,

maybe not so good but I like to be optimistic and am expecting a whole summer of great flying weather. So get those dues in and come out and join the rest of us doing what we like to do best, fly-fly-fly.

Don't forget to bring something for show and tell, we have one more gift card to Hobby Town.

A copy of the March 2012 Financial Report will be available at the April 3rd meeting.

Thank You!

~ Dean Copeland

February 2012 Meeting Minutes



Attendance: 9 Members including 2 guests.

Old Business:

- **Jim Albin:** (Who donated kits, etc. for Winter Drawings) is in a care facility due to struggles with his

memory. Club members were interested in his well-being.

- **Utility Trailer For Tractor (Mead Field):**

Motion was made and approved to find and purchase one.

- **KC Van Out:**

A Cross Country event was proposed to fly from Mead Field to Waverly Field or other direction.

Date: Sometime in May 2012.

Details: Motion was made and approved for the Mead Field to be used for this type of event.

- **Scale Aircraft event:**

Organizer: Jim Henley is heading it up.

Description: This is a fun event so any type of scale model can be brought and flown.

Contest Director: Rick Miller was nominated and accepted.

Sponsors: Western Flyers, Omahawks, Lincoln Sky Knights
Pilot Registration: Early Pre-registration and Field Registration was discussed.

AMA Event Number: AMA Event Number is 520.

AMA Event Registration: Rick Miller will be handling this.

Date: 25 August 2012; rain date 26 August 2012.

- **Show-N-Tell Discussion:**

A question arose about the continued offering of prizes/gift certificates for *Show-N-Tell* items that are brought in. Is it continuing? Answer was that "yes" it is continuing. It seems that it had slipped off the radar. It will continue and a prize/gift certificate will be brought to the next meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

Dean Copeland gave the treasurer's report which was accepted, seconded and approved.

New Business:

- **AMA Business:**

Club President Rick Miller had completed the AMA documents for the 2012 club charter and insurance. Dean Copeland (club Treasurer) will send it in with a check.

- **SAC Museum Show:**

Ed Paasch made a follow up report on the 2nd annual *Strategic Air & Space Museum Indoor Air Show* to be held on Saturday March 31st

Date: 03/31/2012 (Only one day this year.)

Time: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Club Entrance For Setup: 7:00 am.

- **Scale Aircraft event:**

Dean Copeland reported on the Scale contest, all necessary AMA paper work has been submitted. Final brochures will not be printed until the sanction number has been received. Once the flyers have been printed a mailing will be sent to all clubs in a 150 mile radius.

- **Third Party RC Receivers:**

Rick Miller enlightened the members of compliance issues with using a third party manufactured receiver with name brand transmitters. It is the sole responsibility of the flyer to make sure that his equipment will operate properly and in a safe manner.

- **Utility Trailer For Tractor (Mead Field):**

Rick Miller is in the process of acquiring a small trailer to be used at the field to transmit misc. equipment from the storage area to the field.

- **Field and Equipment Notes:**

Rick Miller has placed the club mower batteries on maintenance charge so that they will be ready for mowing when the time comes. Rick was also going to look into having the mowers serviced and ask for money to do so. The membership approved a limit of \$150.00 per mower.

- **Misc:**

- Guest Michal Moriarty's father Tom Moriarty who has passed away was a member of the WF several years ago, and was an avid free flight modeler, as well as restored/repared old engines. Michael is looking for help in disposing of the many items that Tom left behind and maybe getting some help in deciding on what he might want to keep with the possibility of getting into RC himself.

- Rick Miller talked about finding a place to have our monthly club meeting with a indoor fun fly to follow, so if any of you have a place in mind that would suffice give Rick a call.

- Terry Pollard brought some fudge for all with a sweet tooth, it was very good.

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Show-N-Tell:

The meeting was adjourned and followed with Show and Tell. See photos on page 4.

1. **Joey Thompson:**
Brought a L-39 ducted fan jet.
2. **Dean Copeland:**
Had an all foam Parkzone "Habu" ducted fan jet as well.
3. **Tim Peters:**
Showed his Old timer "Power House",
4. **Bob Burt:**
Showed his "Seniorita" w/OS 48 four cyl,
5. **Jeff Jacobs:**
Brought a Carl Goldberg "Comet Clipper" that he has been working on over the past two years and
6. **Rick Miller:**
Brought an Eflite "Extra 330" bind & fly indoor foamy.

A drawing was held for the *Show N Tell* for those bringing something, and **Dean Copeland's** name was drawn, Dean declined and his name was drawn again and declined. **Rick Miller** ended up with the \$25.00 gift card to Hobby Town.

That's it!

~ Rick Johnson



Rumors, Gossip and other Signs of Decay



Good News! I will see all of you soon as we return on 4/3. Look forward to flying out at Mead on a great grass field. The spring and summer are going to be marvelous this year. Hopefully there is still a strong interest in Old Timers (*Bob's talking about airplanes - editor.*)

If you're looking for a good brand of LiPo batteries, at good prices, *GEN Ace* is terrific. The Company is called *Hobby Partz* and they are reliable, and follow up with shipping info quickly. The batteries are top notch and perform extremely well. Unlike *Hobby King* from which I ordered again only to be shorted 1 item, I cannot reach customer service, their on line help is nonexistent and generally they are awful. I am really done with them after this last horrific experience.

On March 31st, the local RC groups are having an open house at the *North Las Vegas Airport*. Static displays, some indoor flying, and a general meet and greet. It made me think that perhaps we could partner with the *Millard Airport* if they were interested in an event. Does anyone have any contacts THERE? If so, upon my return, perhaps we could meet with them and see if we could come up with a community event.

It seems that next fall when I return to Las Vegas, I will be involved in *Cutting Edge Hobbies* by putting in some RC airplane equipment. They have heli stuff and some *Eflite* items now. But it seems the *Airplane Hobby Shop* in the center of LV is closing May 1st. This leaves a void in RC airplane stuff here, my partnership with CEH hopes to take up the slack. Plans are made and we will give a 5 month test to see if it is worthwhile for us.

See you Shortly!

~ Bob Boumstein

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

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.

March Show N' Tell



Joey Thompson shows his half-winged L-39 ducted fan jet. Holding his ARF Parkzone Habu is Dean Copeland.



The recently built Powerhouse "ol' TIMER" was presented by Tim Peters. Jeff Jacobs displayed his Carl Goldberg Comet Clipper. (NOTE: This will be a great year for old timer aircraft gatherings at Mead!)



Holding an EFlite Extra 330 bind and fly indoor foamy is Rick Miller.



Displaying the club's newly acquired trailer is Rick Miller's son Austin.



~ 2012 Western R/C Flyers Event Schedule ~

2012 Tuesday Night Fun-Flys at Mead, **Every Tuesday evening May 8th through September 2nd!** (Weather Permitting)

January 2012

- **Tuesday, Jan 3rd** - Club Meeting 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.
(CAP meeting room, basement, far left of entrance)

February 2012

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

March 2012

- **Tuesday, Mar 6th** - Club Meeting 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.
(Downstairs meeting room – north end bldg)

April 2012

- **Tuesday, Apr 3rd** - Club Meeting 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.
(Downstairs meeting room – north end bldg)

May 2012

- **Tuesday, May 8th** - Club Meeting 7pm, at MEAD FIELD, bring a plane, open flying & food.
- **Saturday, May 19th** – Old Timers Fun Fly with Glider Fly - Starts at 9:00am with flying until 3:00pm.

June 2012

- **Sunday, Jun 3rd** – Annual Spring Club Fun Fly at Mead Field starting at 10:00am. Open flying.
- **Tuesday, Jun 7th** - Club Meeting 7pm, MEAD FIELD, bring a plane, open flying & food.
- **Saturday, June 16th** – Old Timers Fun Fly with Glider Fly - Starts at 9:00am with flying until 3:00pm.

July 2012

- **Tuesday, Jul 3rd** - Club Meeting 7pm, MEAD FIELD bring a plane, open flying.
- **Saturday, Jul 21st** - Old-Timers Fun Fly with Glider Fly - Starts at 9:00am with flying until 3:00pm.

August 2012

- **Tuesday, Aug 7th** - Club Meeting 7pm, MEAD FIELD a plane, open flying.
- **Saturday and Sunday, Aug 11 and/or 12th** – Bud Hall Large Aircraft Fun Fly. Aircraft restricted to IMAA criteria.. However, IMAA membership NOT required. Criteria 80" wingspan monoplane, 60" wingspan biplane, or a true 1/4 scale aircraft. Landing fee \$10.00 provides lunch both days and flying.
- **Saturday, Aug 18th** – Old Timers Fun Fly with Glider Fly - Starts at 9:00am with flying until 3:00pm.
- **Saturday, Aug 25th** - Multi-club Fun Scale Event at Mead Field. Various classes. Rain date 26th. Details soon.

September 2012

- **Sunday Sep 2nd** – The 5th Annual Fall Fun Fly and Swap Meet. Mead Field. Free to WRFC members, \$5.00 for non-members. Swap meet setup after 9am. Open flying 10am through 3pm.
- **Tuesday, Sep 6th** - Club Meeting 7pm, MEAD FIELD - bring a plane, open flying.
- **Saturday, Sep 15th** – Old Timers Fun Fly with Glider Fly – Starts at 9:00am with flying until 3:00pm.

October 2012

- **Tuesday, Oct 2nd** - Club Meeting 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.
- **Saturday, Oct 6th** – Old Timers Fun Fly with Glider Fly – Starts at 9:00am with flying until 3:00pm.

November 2012

- **Tuesday, Nov 6th** - Club Meeting 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.
- Nominations taken for 2012 Officers

December 2012

- **Tuesday, Dec 4th** - Club Meeting 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.
- 2012 Officer elections



Tailspin Newsletter
Western RC Flyers
Omaha, Nebraska

TO:

Western R/C Flyers Inc. 2012 Membership Application

Please print clearly!

Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

Evening Phone: _____ Day Phone: _____

Email: _____

AMA Number: _____ IMAA Number: _____

Dues Paid: \$ _____

2012 Dues: \$35 (Renewals must be paid by **April 1**) New/Renewal: ___ New ___ Renewal ___ (Check One)

Sign Here: _____ Date _____

Subject to approval. AMA membership is required

Make Checks Payable to: Western R/C Flyers

**Print this form and send check to WR/CF Treasurer:
Dean Copeland 15668 Fountain Hills Dr.. Omaha, Nebraska 68118**