

# Western R/C Flyers



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## A Word From The President



Warm winter greetings, folks! This tends to be a slow time of the year for our hobby. Unless you have buckled down and devoted your hobby time to building. I know of several projects under construction by club members, and it will be great to see these at the field this Spring.

Our outdoor flying season is only 12 or so weeks away. Make sure your equipment has been maintained and serviced over the winter. Replace those old batteries that are questionable. Better safe than sorry.

I don't know of any other news really. Just anxious for winter to be over with so we can get back to things important to us --- flying!

*Best Regards*

*~ Rick Miller*

## Vice-President's Corner



I was looking through the Contest Calendar of the February issue of Model Aviation. What stood out were the number of auction and swap meets going on across the country. February must be the month for holding these. In neighboring states there are some big auctions. Davenport, Iowa; Columbia, Missouri; and Denver, Colorado. The Denver auction flyer states that there will be around 1,000 items up for bid. Almost makes a trip to Denver enticing, if it were not for the changeable weather.

Closer to home we have the Sky Knights auction just down the road in a few weeks. This is the last known auction in the area until the Omahawks do theirs in the Fall. Could be some bargains waiting for us, or a good place to reduce your inventory.

## Next Meeting

**7:00 PM Tuesday – February 1st, 2011**

**Papio-Missouri River NRD Center  
Chalco Hills, 154th Street & Giles Road  
North end lower level of building**



Still no progress on finding an additional field. Ads were run in the local Sarpy County newspapers. But they did not generate any calls at all. Suggestions or help with finding a second field are welcome.

Anyone up for a "Gathering of Cubs" fun fly this year? There are at least seven Piper Cubs belonging to members that I know about. At the next club meeting we'll discuss it and pick a date where everyone with Cubs (members or non-members) can participate. Cubs that are small, large, electric, glow, or gas -- no matter.

The raffle at the January meeting for the \$25.00 gift card to HobbyTown was won by **Fred Becker**. The raffle served well with getting folks to bring their Show N' Tell projects. The projects shown became the focus of the meeting.

*Come Fly!*

*~ Nelson Carpenter*

## Treasurer's Report - January 2011



A copy of the January 2011 Financial Report will be passed out at the February 1st meeting.

Thanks!

Dean Copeland

## Rumors, Gossip & Signs of Decay

Sunday January 9<sup>th</sup> proved to be a lousy day to go to the Grand Island auction. I really wanted to go as I always have a good time with those guys. Maybe next year! However Saturday Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> is the Lincoln Sky Knights auction. I do not have the details but my guess is that doors will open 7or 8am. The auction will begin at 10am at the Waverly Community Center in Waverly. **Steve Peck** and I will auctioneer.

As some of you know I have decided to sell off all my airplanes except Old Timers. So if you are looking for a good deal, contact me. I have several planes all in good shape ready to go. I am willing to negotiate a price to get them sold. Examples of what I have include the following:



- *Wild Stick* - Large Gas powered z-20 with ignition & Radio \$350
- 40 Size *Sweet Stick*, never flown by me Thunder Tiger 40 /old Futuba Radio all works \$100
- ¼ Scale *Tiger Moth* with Futaba ES Radio New OS 120 4 cycle all \$450 amazing!
- Large *Big Stick* type with Sup Tiger 2500/3000 and radio hasn't flown in 2 years \$200
- E-Flite *Blade SR* RTF with Transmitter Like new in Box \$150
- Exceed *Falcon 40* Heli with Radio Excellent shape \$100
- 60 Size *Trainer* no engine, Futuba Servos, with ailerons Nice \$85
- Beat up *Power House* Old Timer 2 Wings Still flies \$75
- G Scale *Train Stuff* various Prices
- Several *RC cars* prices vary. Includes Rock Crawlers.

Call me at 334-0122 to arrange time see stuff; bring CASH.

Ok that's a lot of stuff, but I have more yet as I cleaned out my office. It may never end.

Regards!

Bob Boumstein

## Club Meeting Minutes 4 Jan 2011



Several club members were present for the monthly meeting. Vice President **Nelson Carpenter** called meeting to order at 7:15pm.

### Old Business:

Attendance - Efforts and/or ideas to increase attendance at Monthly Club Meetings.

Active Duty Military - The Club Enrollment Discounts for Active Duty Military was approved and finalized.

New Hobby Store - The new hobby store in Benson area was discussed. It was mentioned that they did not have much inventory.

SAC Museum - The RC Expo at the SAC Museum was discussed further.

### Treasurer Report:

Club had a gain of \$233.03

### New Business:

Raffle: \$25 Raffle for Hobby Town Gift Certificates will continue as discussed. Motion made and seconded.

Calendar of Events: Discussions over the Club Monthly events was discussed. Motion made and seconded to add an Old Timer Event to the calendar to every 3rd Saturday beginning at 10 am.

Mead Field Map Online: Motion made and seconded to give more details/directions for the map to the Mead Field on the web site. Details for "dummies".

### Upcoming Events:

- 1.) January 9, 2011 - Grand Island Auction
- 2.) February 1, 2011 - Western Flyers February Club Meeting
- 3.) February 6, 2011 - Lincoln Sky Knights Auction

### Show-N-Tell:

Winner of \$25 Gift Certificate to Hobby Town was **Fred Becker**.

### Adjournment

Dismissed at 8:30pm.

Thanks!

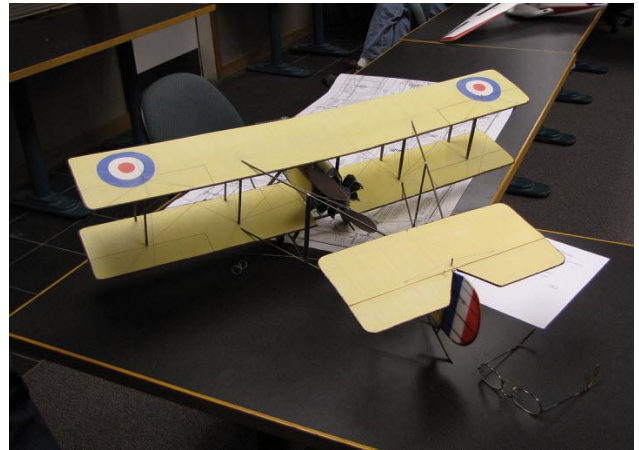
~ Rick Johnson

**RAFFLE for \$25.00 Gift Certificate HobbyTown  
Club Monthly Meeting  
Show N' Tells = 4 free tickets  
Tickets \$1 each or \$5 for six.**



## January Show N' Tell

An 80" twin engine amphibian under construction by **Bob Burt** was shown to us. It is a Widgeon that Bob is building from a set of Vintage RC Plans. In the third photo he is demonstrating how the "mechanical" retracts operate with a socket driver. Bob has a pair of Enya .80 four strokes he will use. It will be equipped with operating navigation lights. Nine servos total.



Above you see **Bob Rogge** with his scratch built 1916 Vickers FB5 Gunbus. The model spans 36" and weighs 11 ounces. Covering used is Hallmark tissue paper with Pactra paint. Following the last two Thursdays at the Center, Bob has determined that the Vickers is underpowered and needs a bigger electric motor. Nice detail with the model!

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## January Show N' Tell Cont....

A small foamy Hobby King ELC Spitfire with brushless motor was shown by **Rick Johnson**. It is very light weight at 82 grams, and probably ideal for indoor flying with its 16" wingspan.



**Western RC Flyers Website**  
**<http://www.weflyrc.org>**



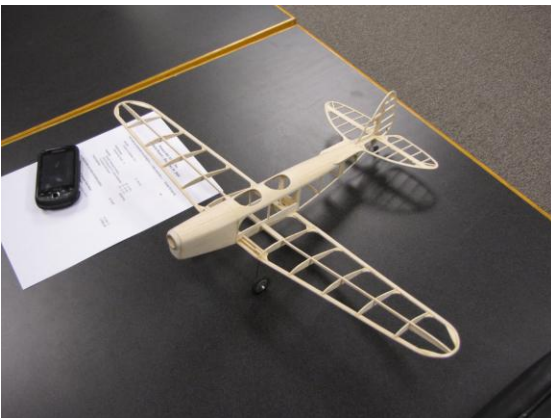
The Icon A5 seaplane was shown by **Marvin Goldberg**. The ARF is one that he bought from Nitroplanes, and like the full scale featured on the first page of last month's newsletter. It is an electric-job that could even be flown off snow.

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## January Show N' Tell Cont....

**Fred Becker** brought two of his projects to the meeting. They were a barebones 1937 Moth Minor built from plans. It weighs 20 grams empty, and 40 grams with power. The other was an A-10 Warthog that Fred is testing for a company in China. It has built-in outrunners powering the ducted fans. Anticipated weight is 160 grams flyable.



A most unusual engine was brought to the meeting by **Bob Boumstein**. An open rocker arm/push rod Saito .40 four stroke vintage 1975-80. Bob also showed his cheap but quality pocketcam that he will mount on his airplanes.



A barebones fuselage held by **Nelson Carpenter** is of the Balsa USA 1/4 scale Cub. He is converting 104" span model into an L4J Grasshopper complete with "greenhouse" behind cabin. It will be powered by a Saito 1.50 four-stroke and has a target weight of 15 pounds.



# Thursdays Indoor Flying

There are approximately six to ten club members who gather at the indoor soccer center for a few hours on Thursdays during the winter. We meet there around 1pm to get out the cob webs, and try to maintain some proficiency with our flying. Keyword "try".

Photos shown are self-explanatory of the aircraft we fly and who is flying. Come join us.





## ~ 2011 Western R/C Flyers Event Schedule ~

***NOTE:** Additional fun flies and other club events will be determined and dates posted in this schedule as they become available. This calendar can be found on the club's website too.*

**January  
2011**

- **Tuesday, Jan 4th** - Club Meeting 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154<sup>th</sup> St.

**February  
2011**

- **Tuesday, Feb 1st** - Club Meeting 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154<sup>th</sup> St.  
(Board Room, just inside right of main entrance)

**March  
2011**

- **Tuesday, Mar 1st** - Club Meeting 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154<sup>th</sup> St.  
(Downstairs meeting room – north end bldg)

**April  
2011**

- **Tuesday, Apr 5th** - Club Meeting 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154<sup>th</sup> St.  
(Board Room, just inside right of main entrance)

**May  
2011**

- **Tuesday, May 3rd** - Club Meeting 7pm, MEAD FIELD, bring a plane, open flying & food.  
- **Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>** – Old Timers Fun Fly at Mead. Registration at 9:00am with flying until noon.

**June  
2011**

- **Tuesday, Jun 7th** - Club Meeting 7pm, MEAD FIELD, bring a plane, open flying & food.  
- **Sunday, Jun 5<sup>th</sup>** – Annual Spring Club Fun Fly at Mead Field starting at 10:00am. Open flying.  
- **Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup>** – Old Timers Fun Fly at Mead. Registration at 9:00am with flying until noon.

**July  
2011**

- **Tuesday, Jul 5th** - Club Meeting 7pm, MEAD FIELD bring a plane, open flying & Food.  
- **Saturday, July 16th** - Old-Timers Fun Fly - 9am until noon Mead field.

**August  
2011**

- **Tuesday, Aug 2nd** - Club Meeting 7pm, MEAD FIELD a plane, open flying & food.

- **Saturday, Aug 20<sup>h</sup>** – Old Timers Fun Fly 9am until noon, Mead Field.  
- **Saturday and Sunday, Aug 13/14th** – Bud Hall Large Aircraft Fun Fly. Aircraft limited to IMAA criteria and membership. IMAA membership NOT required. Criteria 80" wingspan monoplane, 60" wingspan biplane, or a true ¼ scale aircraft. Landing fee \$10.00 provides lunch both days and flying.

**September  
2011**

- **Tuesday, Sep 6th** - Club Meeting 7pm, MEAD FIELD - bring a plane, open flying & Food (Last Tuesday food will be served)  
- **Sunday Sep 4th** – 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.  
- **Saturday, Sep 17<sup>th</sup>** – Old Timers Fun Fly – 9am until noon. Mead Field.

**October  
2011**

- **Tuesday, Oct 4th** - Club Meeting 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154<sup>th</sup> St.

**November  
2011**

- **Tuesday, Nov 1st** - Club Meeting 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154<sup>th</sup> St.

**December  
2011**

- **Tuesday, Dec 6th** - Club Meeting 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154<sup>th</sup> St.

**Want to schedule or sponsor an event? Perhaps you have an idea for a fun fly or 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. 2011 Membership Application***

Please print clearly!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

AMA Number: \_\_\_\_\_ IMAA Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Dues Paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**2011 Dues: \$35** (Renewals are due 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**