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A Word From The President



Welcome to the new year! My forecast is that the club will have a great year for flying, and enjoyment of each other's company at the flying field. Fun flies are going to be emphasized and they won't necessarily be competitive. The fun flies will be a means of getting our membership together at the field.

Well one tradition may be coming to an end for the club, or at least postponed to another year. The club will not hold its annual spring auction. This is primarily due to lack of interest by club members, work involved, and small profit made for the club. That and the fact that our auction honcho **Bob Boumstein** is now in retirement, and will be residing part of the year in Las Vegas. He'll be missed in a big way.

I'd like to thank **Dustin Anderson** and **Bob Boumstein** for holding positions as club officers last year. Also, please welcome our newest officer **Rick Johnson** who will be filling **Bob's** office as club secretary. **Nelson Carpenter** returns as VP this year, which is welcomed too.

Membership in our club remains a bargain as dues are held to a low \$35.00 which is the lowest in the area.

Best Regards

~ Rick Miller

Vice-President's Corner

Another year can be scratched off as we are now in the year 2011. Winter is well underway as well. I decided to build a 1/4 scale Cub from a BUSA kit. Only I am modifying it to be other than just another yellow Cub. It will be the military version known as an L4 Grasshopper in olive drab color. Unique to this build is the "greenhouse" that needs to be constructed for the rear cabin area. I need to make sure it is structurally sound.



Perhaps by now you are aware that there will be a raffle...

Next Meeting

7:00 PM Tuesday – January 4th, 2011

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



...drawing at our winter club meetings. The club will present a \$25.00 gift certificate to HobbyTown to the winner. Of course you have to be present at the meetings to... be eligible. Tickets a dollar, while those bringing Show N' Tell projects getting four free raffle tickets. The whole purpose of this raffle is to increase attendance as well as introduce more projects at the Show N' Tells. So, let's see you at the next meeting with your project!

This year you will realize more fun flies for the club. Ones already in the works include the old timer gatherings that went so well last year. Someone has asked about a glider fun fly, and that will be entertained at the next meeting. Bring your ideas to the meeting too.

Finally, our 2010 membership held strong finishing out the year with a count of 45 which is typical of what we've carried the last few years. Happy New Year!

Come Fly!

~ Nelson Carpenter

Treasurer's Report - December 2010



A copy of the December 2010 Financial Report will be passed out at the January 4th meeting.

Thanks!

Dean Copeland



Rumors, Gossip & Signs of Decay



This is time that us Nebraskans stay indoors to build, repair, and plan for flying in warmer dry weather. Kinda "balsa & beer" weather so-to-speak.

For that matter, I am planning on selling off most everything but my old timer airplane stuff in the Spring, as I just want easy-to-fly stuff these days.

You will hear more about my "Hobby & Toy" sale early in the Spring. Further, I am moving out of my office on Deauville Drive, and all my stuff there has to go too! So, the plan is a BIG garage sale in April. A few others may be selling some stuff at this garage sale also! It will be a great event I promise!

I am planning to work the Sky Knights auction (Feb 2011 I believe) and might be going to GI auction in January, weather permitting. **Steve Peck**, **Bob Turner**, and I went to the KCRC swap meet earlier in December. It was okay, I only got ½ dozen engines. Not really a big deal, but I had a good time. I think what this hobby is about is having a good time. So I am planning to work that plan in 2011.

My wife and I wish everyone a Happy New Year.

Regards, Bob & Meryl

Club Meeting Minutes 7 Dec 2010

President **Rick Miller** called meeting to order at 7:05pm.

Old Business

- **Nelson Carpenter** led discussion of ideas on how to increase meeting attendance.
- It was moved and seconded to give a \$25.00 gift certificate to HobbyTown as a raffle prize for the next meeting. Four free raffle tickets for those bringing a Show N' Tell item; also tickets \$1.00 each or \$5.00 for six. Motion passed.

Treasury Report

- **Dean Copeland** presented the Treasurer's report, which was accepted by the membership.

New Business

- A motion was made and accepted that any recently discharged or active duty military personal with an AMA membership will be offered a free one-year membership to the Western RC Flyers. This is to show our appreciation for their service, and promote our club.
- Someone announced that a new Hobby Shop has opened at 63rd & Maple, but are not fully stocked yet.
- **Steve Peck** invited the club to participate in the SAC Museum Indoor RC Festival on March 27-28, 2011. This will involve all area model airplane clubs. It was agreed that it would serve as a good incentive for us to promote the club.
- Elections were held for 2011 and results: **Rick Miller** Pres. - **Nelson Carpenter** VP - **Dean Copeland** Treas. - **Rick Johnson** Secretary
- Club events for 2011 need to be added to calendar by the end of this month.

Show & Tell

Adjournment

My Final Report

~ Bob Boumstein



December Show N' Tell

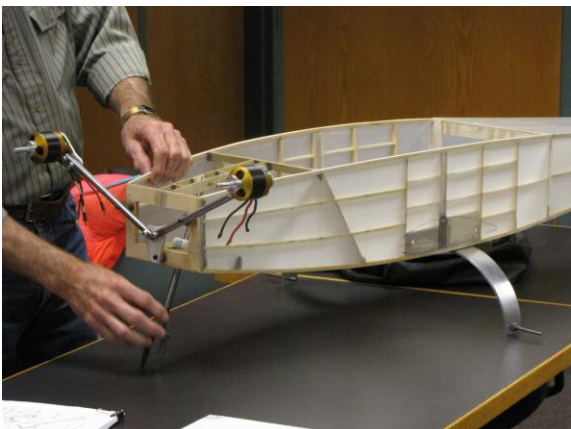
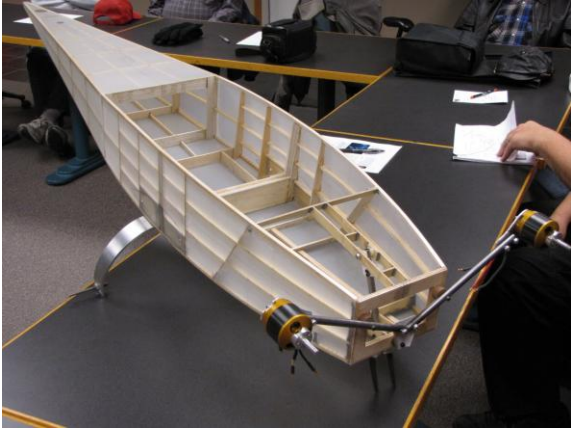
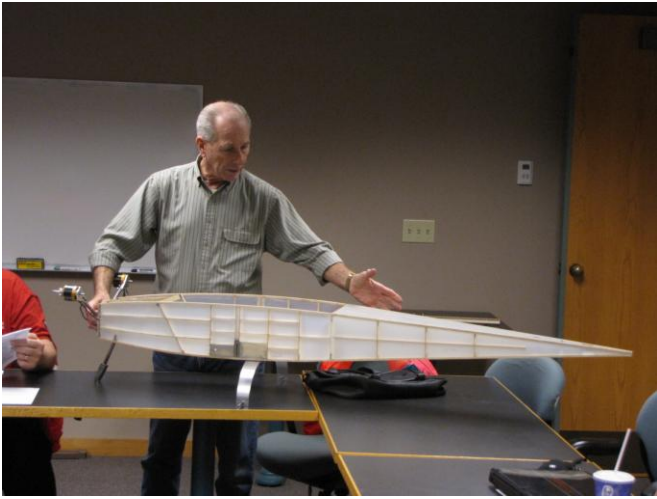
First to present his project was **Bob Turner** with a discus-type glider called a "SuperGee II." Discus because you launch it into the air by the wingtip like a discus thrower. With a wingspan of 59" it weighed a mere 8 ounces with four servos, and a 200 mAh battery pack. It is made of carbon fiber and Kevlar for a strong light aircraft. It really floats too!!



Above you see **Bob Boumstein** assembling his "Vector" kite with the able assistance of **Steve Peck**. As strange as it might appear, this "kite" is an agile flyer with an articulating motor located in the center of the aircraft. **Bob** purchased this from an eBay seller, and he's quite happy with it. Unfortunately **Bob** forgot to charge the batteries, and we were not able to see it demonstrated. No, it doesn't require a kite string.

December Show N' Tell Cont....

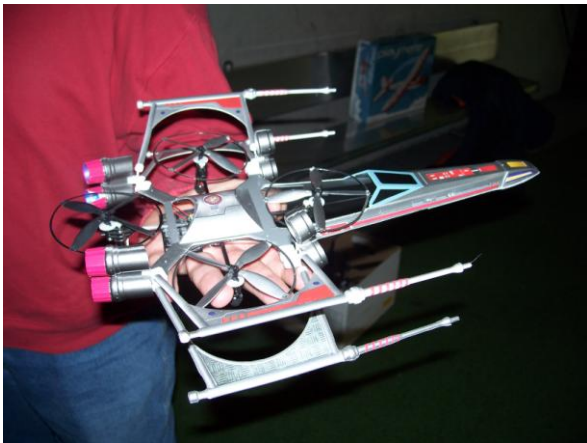
A most unusual project being built for this year's Top Gun Invitational was shown by **Dean Copeland**. The twin engine "Cri-Cri" (*Cricket in French*) is being built at 50 percent scale from the exact plans and drawings of the full scale aircraft. That results in a wingspan of 100 inches. It will weigh 22 lbs when completed. Power is with two AXI 4120-18 electric motors using a 7S4P A-123 battery. The two motors will swing 13X8 propellers. A very interesting project that hopefully we'll see more of at Show N' Tell as Dean progresses. To learn more, attend the next few meetings.



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

Winter Indoor Flying

Here are photos of club members flying their electric model airplanes indoors. The airplanes range from one extreme to the other as you'll see. **Bob Boumstein's "Luke Skywalker"** ship actually flies and hovers --- believe it or not.



Winter Indoor Flying Cont.....



~ 2011 Western R/C Flyers Event Schedule ~

NOTE: Dates shown for club monthly meetings are accurate. Fun flies and other club events will be determined, and dates added to this schedule which can also be found on the club website.

**January
2011**

Tuesday, Jan 4th - Meeting
- 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.

**February
2011**

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

**March
2011**

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

**April
2011**

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

**May
2011**

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

**June
2011**

Tuesday, Jun 7th - Meeting
- 7pm, MEAD FIELD, bring a plane, open flying & food.

**July
2011**

Tuesday, Jul 5th - Meeting
- 7pm, MEAD FIELD bring a plane, open flying & Food.

**August
2011**

Tuesday, Aug 2nd - Meeting
- 7pm, MEAD FIELD a plane, open flying & food.
- Saturday, Aug 7th – Old Timers Fun Fly
9am until noon, Mead Field.

**September
2011**

Tuesday, Sep 6th - Meeting
- 7pm, MEAD FIELD - bring a plane, open flying & Food (Last Tuesday food will be served)

**October
2011**

Tuesday, Oct 4th - Meeting
- 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.

**November
2011**

Tuesday, Nov 1st - Meeting
- 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.

**December
2011**

Tuesday, Dec 6th - Meeting
- 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th 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**