

# Western R/C Flyers



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## TAILSPIN NEWSLETTER

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## A Word From The President



Greetings Western RC Flyers!! I hope all of you have been getting in some good flying time these past several weeks.

The field looks great Terry! I was out there last Tuesday evening and the runway and pits area were terrific.

We have our big fun fly event coming up in August, and we need to think a bit of how we want to conduct it. That's the Bud Hall event.

I have been out-of-town for the past few weeks, but I should be back after the 4th of July.

Let's go flying and have some fun.

Thanks

~ Rick Miller

## Vice-President's Corner



Summer is officially here, and our flying season has been well underway despite the rain and wind. Did I say wind? The *Sun Gods* must have been looking down on the Old Timer Fun Fly at Mead Field in June. Most of the area, including Omaha, received 3/4s inch of rain that morning, while Mead stayed dry until noon. That allowed the six who ignored the radar to get in some good flights. Regretfully I was paying attention to the radar..... I am still catching flak for that one.

As far as I'm concerned, we cannot compliment or thank Terry Pollard enough for the way our field looks. Over the years, it has always been mowed and well kept receiving many compliments. Thanks Terry! Also thanks to Rick Miller who pulled the field out of winter dormancy with his grooming of the field early on.

If you or anyone is concerned that nobody will be at Mead Field when you want to go fly, then don't hesitate calling your fellow club members and arrange a time to meet at the field. Picking up the phone and calling others, not just e-mailing, works!

The *Bud Hall Large Airplane Fun Fly* is just six weeks away. Although the IMAA membership requirement has been dropped, your airplanes must meet IMAA criteria with minimum wingspan of 80 inches for monoplane, and 60 inches on the biplane. A true 1/4 scale airplane with less than these wingspans would qualify. Also, your aircraft need not be scale. Other than that, all you....

## Next Meeting:

7:00 PM Tuesday - July 5th, 2011

Location: Mead Field

(Flying starts 5pm and lasts until dark; brief meeting, bring an airplane!)



....need to do is produce a current AMA membership card as you sign in.

Hope you all like to see pictures of airplanes. For June I was able to get quite a few into the newsletter. But I'd sure like to include some of your own photos. Please send some my way!

Reminder, if the ground is wet at Mead and surrounding area, then you can expect the dirt road from the county highway into the field to be wet. Take the next improved road that's about 1/4 mile further south on the county highway. Turn east there. You'll recognize where you are once arriving at the long white building. The flying field is on the opposite side of that building. Also, take care as you drive into the pits. Try your best not to create or enlarge any ruts with your vehicle. Usually those roads are dried out in a day or two. But since we're entering a drought, you can ignore for now what I said about the wet roads.

Come out and fly!

~ Nelson Carpenter

## Treasurer's Report



A copy of the June 2012 Financial Report will be passed out at the July 5th meeting.

Thank You!

~ Dean Copeland



## June 2012 Meeting Notes



I was out-of-town during the June meeting. There are no meeting notes for this issue of the newsletter.

~ Rick Johnson



### 23rd Annual Bud Hall



### Large Airplane Fun Fly

Sponsored by the Western R/C Flyers  
Omaha Nebraska - AMA 837

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**Location:** Western R/C Flyers Field - Mead Nebraska  
**When:** Saturday & Sunday August 11th & 12th 2012  
**Time:** Registration begins at 9:00am - Open Flying from 9 a.m. till 3p.m. *Both Days!*  
**Details:** **IMAA NOT required to fly.** *Open flying both days!* Aircraft limited to minimum of 1/4 scale or 80 inch & up monoplanes, 60 inch & up biplanes.  
All pilots must present AMA membership card upon registering.

\$10.00 Landing fee includes a great pilot lunch, drinks



**PILOT RAFFLE!**

Spectators Welcome! - Bring your lawn chairs & Sunshades!  
Transmitter impound. - Large well maintained *low cut* grass runway!  
Back up pit parking! - Large Spectator parking area next to white building.

Take Highway 92 (Center/ Industrial Road) west from Omaha to Mead Nebraska. Turn south on County road 78F, go south 3.7 miles watch for signs at Mead & field entrance. 20 minutes west of Omaha.

Info: Rick Miller rick.miller@kellogg.com Phone:402-624-2530 cell: 402-510-6714

Go to [www.WestyRC.org](http://www.WestyRC.org) for maps & details!  
Downloadable maps available at the Western R/C Flyers website!

## CLUB MEMBER'S FEATURED AIRCRAFT



### Tom Floyd's Old Timer Elf

An unusual old timer airplane was flown by Tom Floyd at the June 16th gathering. This interesting biplane is called an *Elf*. It is powered by an Enya 4-cycle turning a 12.25 X 3.75 prop. The top wing spans 60" and the lower wing 38 inches. Tom says "*It flies okay, but is not a great floater.*"

## Rumors, Gossip and other Signs of Decay

A couple of weeks ago I went to the club's *Spring Fun Fly*. The weather was very decent, unlike the gale force winds of today 6/19/12. I had my trusty *Quaker* with me and looked forward to several very nice flights. I even had a fresh batch of rubber bands (a *big mistake*.....) and lashed the wing securely with several. I actually think about 14 (7 per side.) I really felt confident with flying. My take off was one of my best, a sure sign that disaster will follow.....



Flying along nicely for what I estimate to be around 10 minutes, I was pretty content while sitting comfortably in my chair. Just as I flew the *Quaker* across the field,



probably 100 feet high, my freakin' wing pops off, and the rest of the airplane corkscrewed into the ground.



This was not my plan, as that *Quaker* had become my favorite plane. ....I have a wing and tail section should someone be in need; the rest went out in the trash.

So now I am looking to buy a large old timer airplane in excellent condition should someone have an extra and be willing to sell it. Please call me on my cell at 402-306-6151. Thank you.

By the way; Rick Miller cheffed up some yummy brats and dogs at the Spring Fun Fly!

Some of you might have heard, others not, that my wife and I have put our home on the market. We have a ranch (total finished: 4,100 sq. ft.) with a 10-car garage set-up. It is a hobbyist's dream! So if you know someone, or you want to see or buy it, let me know. It's shown strictly by appointment and there are some rules. NP Dodge is marketing it, and by the time you read this it should be on the web. When the house sells, we will make our decision on staying or going to Las Vegas on a permanent basis.



**Need an Old Timer! Help! ~ 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.

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



## Scale Modelling Prize Raffle



**Win \$500.00 in cash while supporting scale aeromodelling in eastern Nebraska and western Iowa!**



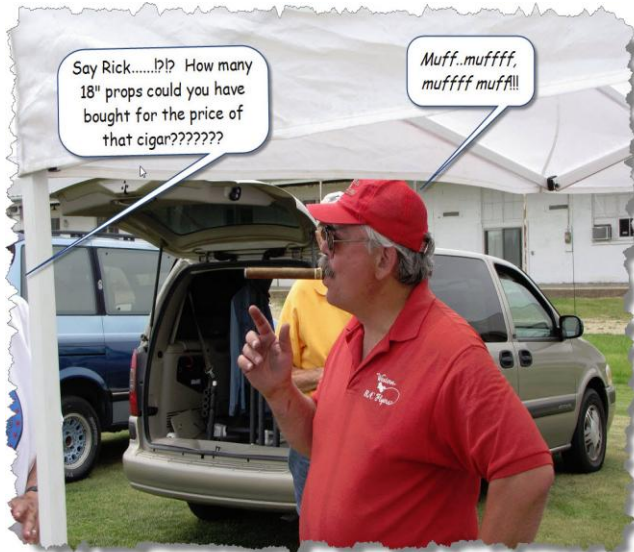
We're giving one lucky winner \$500.00 in cash to help raise money for the largest scale radio control flying contest in the area. Help launch the newly-expanded Don Neill Memorial Scale Contest by purchasing your raffle tickets today! Raffle tickets will be sold for \$5 each, and there will only be a limit of two hundred tickets sold, so your odds of winning are strong!

Net raffle proceeds will go directly toward funding the tri-club sponsored Don Neill Memorial Scale Contest both in 2012 and in the future. Help keep this great tradition strong as it grows into an even bigger event. Get your Don Neill Scale Raffle tickets today! Contact event organizers Dean Copeland or Jim Henley for your chance to win:

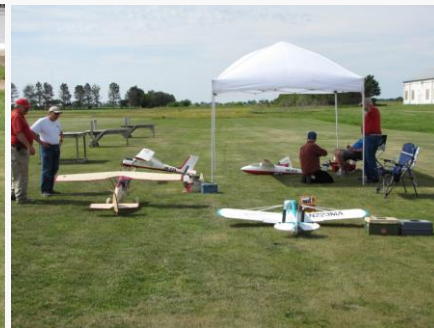
Dean Copeland (402) 334-2787 dcopeland@tconl.com

Jim Henley (402) 445-0948 jhandmehenley@q.com

\*By "strong chance of winning" we mean better odds than winning a lottery jackpot or being struck by lightning. Actual odds of winning are 1 in 200 per ticket.



# SPRING FUN FLY AT MEAD FIELD



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## ~ 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** - Don Neill Scale Contest. Multi-club Fun event hosted at Mead Field. Various classes. Rain date 26th.

#### September 2012

- **Sunday Sep 2nd** – The 5th 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.  
- **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**