



### OMAHA NEBRASKA AMA 857 - IMAA 284

## TAILSPIN NEWSLETTER

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## A Word From The President



Hope everyone has been able to squeeze in some flying sessions with this great weather we had during October. The season is about to come to an end, except for the die-hards who don't mind cold weather.

At the November meeting we will take nominations for club office. I am willing to stay another year in office. **Rick** 

**Johnson** has expressed to me his interest in serving another year in office as well. If there is anyone who would like to run for office, please feel free to raise your hand.

So nominations will take place at the November club meeting, and elections at our December meeting. Hope as many of you as can get involved with our election of officers.

See you at the next meeting!

Thanks

~ Rick Miller



### Vice-President's Corner

Things will start to slow down a little now. Flying will not be as often, if at all over winter. I'll be cleaning up my airplanes and winterizing engines. What I will build this winter is still up in the air.

Maybe an old timer like the *New Ruler* that has some interesting lines.

As **Rick Miller** stated his willingness to stay in office, I am also if that's what the club wants, and will continue another year with the newsletter. But if anyone wants to take a more active role in the club, we welcome you to run for office. There's nothing difficult about holding office within the Western Flyers' club. Sometimes it is good to have new blood. So consider running. I'd gladly step aside.

The runway and pit area has been improved at Mead. The width of the runway has been increased by 20 feet to the east, and the pit area extended further south by Treasurer: Dean Copeland email: <u>dcopeland@tconl.com</u> Address: 15668 Fountain Drive, Omaha 68118 Phone: 402-334-2787

Secretary: Rick Johnson Phone: 402-676-3054email: rcbrunch@exite.com

### **Next Meeting:**

### 7:00 PM Tuesday – November 1st, 2011

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



approximately 100 feet. This may help relieve some flyers' anxiety about the trees at the far north end of the field.

If not the November meeting, one or two meetings later we will be setting the 2012 schedule for flying events at Mead. Got an idea for a fun fly? Send it our way or come to the meeting.

As the October meeting minutes state, the Show n' Tell is back along with the raffle drawing. Bring something, bring anything! Surely it will be entertaining.

Hope you can make it to the next club meeting.

Come out and fly!

~ Nelson Carpenter

## **Treasurer's Report**



A copy of the October 2011 Financial Report will be available at the next meeting.

Thank You!

~ Dean Copeland

#### Mead Field (New Info):

- 1. The Porta-Potty will be available through 10/31/2011 according to **Rick Miller**.
- Assistance for Mowing Loren Blinde has volunteered to mow but asked to have someone else as primary mower at the field for the 2012 season. Bob Z. has offered his assistance. Thanks Bob.

#### Show-N-Tell:

**Bob Boumstein:** 1.) Brought an OS Max K6 Ignition Engine that was brand new and never run. It had a serial number on it that carried significance to OS and they wanted to buy it back from Bob or offered free products. Ask Bob about it if you are curious about the details.

That's it!

~ Rick Johnson

## **October 2011 Meeting Notes:**



#### Old Business:

This was our first indoor meeting following our 2011 flying season. 🛞 It was held at the usual location at the Chalco Hills Recreation Center.

#### Field Changes:

• The runway was widened about 20 feet east along the length of the runway.

The pit area was extended further south about 100 feet.

#### Flying Attendance:

 We will continue with contacting/informing each other about going to the field to fly on the weekends as it appeared to be beneficial to have a group of pilots to fly with.

#### Treasurer Report: Not available.

#### New Business:

**<u>Elections:</u>** Elections will take place next month for the 2012 calendar year.

#### Events:

- 2. Saturday, October 8, will be the last *Old Timers/Glider Fun Fly* for the 2011 flying season at Mead. It has taken place by now so hope you were able to attend and had a great time.
- 3. Be thinking about the events you enjoyed over the past years and any new events that you would like to have on the calendar for the 2012 flying season.

#### Meeting Raffle:

- The Raffle Drawing for Hobby Town Gift Certificate will begin next month. Tickets will be given for Show-N-Tell planes and projects and additional will be available for sale. It is the same arrangement as last year.
- 2. Bob Burt mentioned that he has some kits he will donate for the raffle from **Jim Albin** and that there is a brand new field box in the shed that can be used. A motion was made to accept these as raffle items and it was unanimously approved.

## PAPIO-MISSOURI RIVER NATURAL RESOURCES CENTER





### Rumors, Gossip and other Signs of Decay



Sunday October 23rd was the Omahawks annual auction. There was one great old timer airplane called a New Ruler. It was nice and sold, I believe for \$130.00. A pretty fair price considering all the

work that went into this one. I saw **John Anderson**, the guy from Grand Island who has built about 50 Quakers (*of which mine is #35*.) He said the run was done and he will not be doing anymore. If you get a chance to own one of his Quakers, you will be happy as they are well done!

Other airplanes at the auction were good buys, and a few great deals. There was the usual junk and a few neat items. Someone brought an original full scale Stearman propeller which had a clock in the hub. It sold for approximately \$450. Truth is I have seen these go for well over \$1,000.

The auction attendance was medium, and as usual the crowd thinned out by 2PM. There were just 10 buyers for the last 5 items. There were approximately 280 items, and the auction was over by 5PM.

The food at the auction was good and served promptly. Pop came from Digs, and the facility was fine. They have good parking there as well. The cost of that facility is \$500. Good I think for today's market.

My next report will be from Las Vegas. I will try to include a couple of pictures if I can. I was everyone a great Holiday Season and good health.

Best Regards to Everyone!

~ Bob Boumstein

### REWARDS PROGRAM

Remember <u>Hobbytown's Reward Program</u>. 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 <u>Western Flyers affiliation</u> when making a purchase at either Hobbytown location.



## MEAD FIELD FROM ABOVE

Aerial Photo by Jim Welshons



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

## **ROADS TO MEAD FIELD**

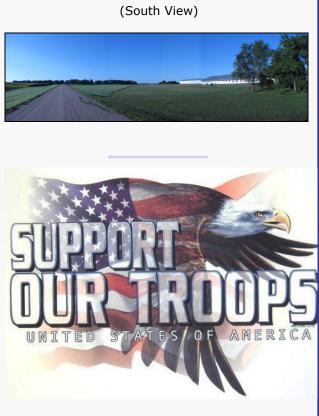
Trouble getting to the field? At the Town of Mead corner on Highway 92, turn south driving <u>3.7 miles</u> on the hard surfaced state road to a dirt access road leading to field. Turn east here in direction of water tower, then take short winding road to east side of long white warehouse building. See aerial below. However be advised that there are 3 routes from the county road into Mead Field. Those are shown on enlarged aerial to the right.

Primary route into the field is the **dirt road**, unless conditions are too wet. Route "**A**" is an improved gravel road few hundred yards south of the dirt road turnoff that takes you through the university facility. Continuing further south on the county road is alternative route "**B**" (*addt'l 2.5 miles*) that is a hard surfaced road on 3 of its legs. On last leg, turn at the white block building and follow road around to field.

*Note: Increase newsletter page size on your PC to minimum 150% for best view of aerials and notations.* 



(Enlarged View)



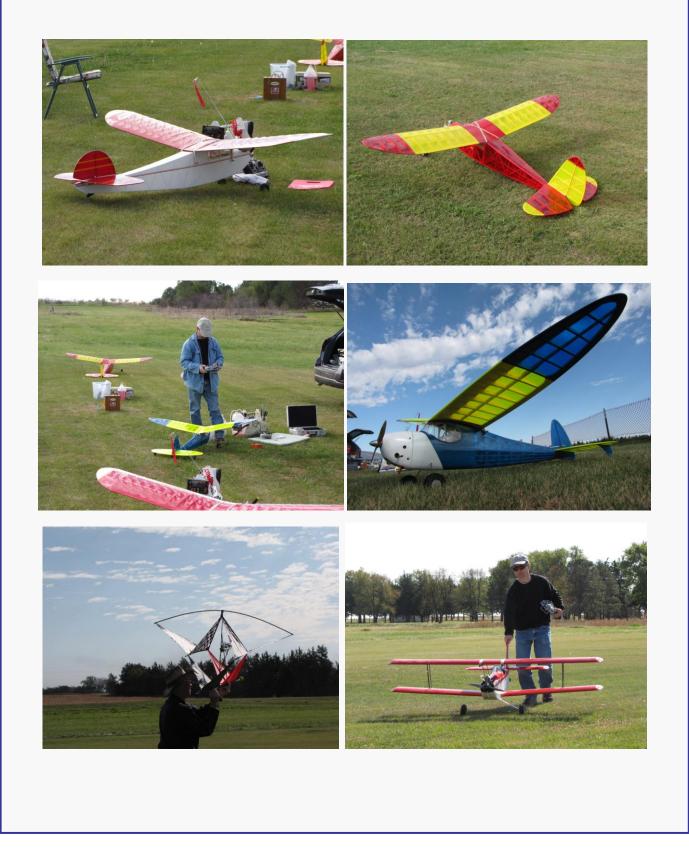
**Mead Field** 

# **OCTOBER FLYING AT MEAD FIELD**





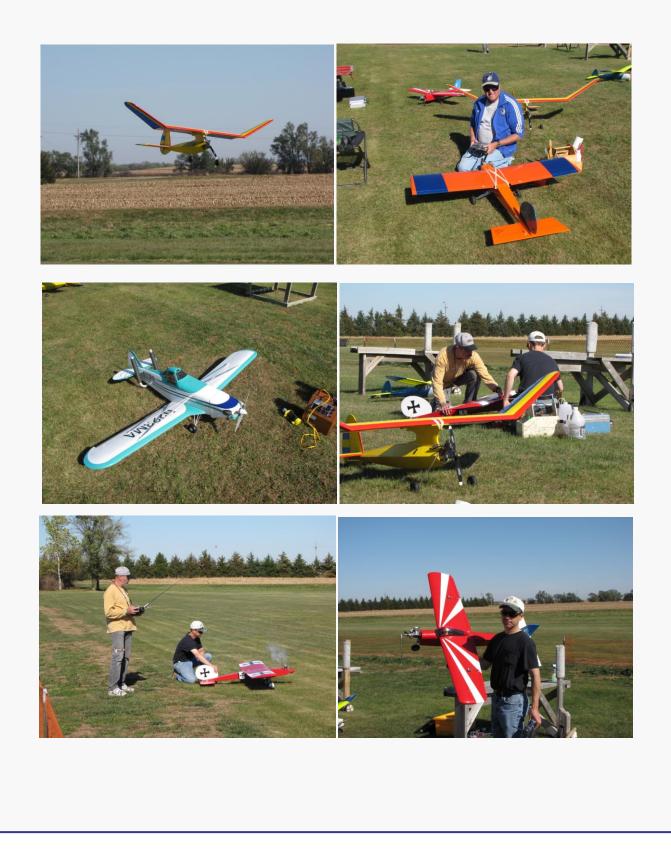
















## ~ 2011 Western R/C Flyers Event Schedule ~

## 2011 Tuesday Night Fun-Flys at Mead, <u>Every</u> Tuesday night May 3rd through September 6th! (Weather Permitting)

January <u>2011</u>	- Tuesday, Jan 4th - <i>Club Meeting</i> 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St. ( <i>CAP meeting room, basement, far left of entrance</i> )	July <u>2011</u>	- <b>Tuesday, Jul 5th</b> - <i>Club Meeting</i> 7pm, MEAD FIELD bring a plane, open flying. - <b>Saturday, Jul 16th</b> - <i>Old-Timers Fun Fly</i> - Starts at 9:00am with flying until noon or later.
February <u>2011</u>	- Tuesday, Feb 1st - Club Meeting 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.		
March <u>2011</u>	(CAP meeting room, basement, far left of entrance) - Tuesday, Mar 1st - Club Meeting 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St. (Downstairs meeting room – north end bldg)	August <u>2011</u>	<ul> <li>Tuesday, Aug 2nd - Club Meeting 7pm, MEAD FIELD a plane, open flying.</li> <li>Saturday and Sunday, Aug 13/14th – Bud Hall Large Aircraft Fun Fly. Aircraft limited to IMAA criteria and membership. IMAA membership NOT required.</li> <li>Criteria 80" wingspan monoplane, 60" wingspan biplane, or a true ¼ scale aircraft. Landing fee \$10.00 provides lunch both days and flying.</li> </ul>
April <u>2011</u>	- <b>Tuesday, Apr 5th</b> - <i>Club Meeting</i> 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St. ( <i>Downstairs meeting room – north end bldg</i> )		- <b>Saturday, Aug 20</b> h − <i>Old Timers Fun Fly</i> Starts at 9:00am with flying until noon or later.
Мау <u>2011</u>	<ul> <li>Tuesday, May 3rd - Club Meeting 7pm, MEAD FIELD,</li> <li>bring a plane, open flying &amp; food.</li> <li>Saturday, May 21st – Old Timers Fun Fly at Mead.</li> <li>Starts at 9:00am with flying until noon or later.</li> </ul>	September <u>2011</u>	<ul> <li>- 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.</li> <li>- Tuesday, Sep 6th - Club Meeting 7pm, MEAD FIELD - bring a plane, open flying.</li> <li>- Saturday, Sep 17th – Old Timers Fun Fly – Starts at 9:00am with flying until noon or later.</li> </ul>
June <u>2011</u>	<ul> <li>Sunday, Jun 5th – Annual Spring Club Fun Fly at Mead Field starting at 10:00am. Open flying.</li> <li>Tuesday, Jun 7th - Club Meeting 7pm, MEAD FIELD, bring a plane, open flying &amp; food.</li> <li>Saturday, June 18th – Old Timers Fun Fly at Mead.</li> </ul>	October <u>2011</u>	<ul> <li>Tuesday, Oct 4th - Club Meeting 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St.</li> <li>Saturday, Oct 8th – Old Timers Fun Fly with Glider Fly – Starts at 9:00am with flying until noon or later.</li> </ul>
	Registration at 9:00am with flying until noon.	November <u>2011</u>	- <b>Tuesday, Nov 1st</b> - <i>Club Meeting</i> 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St. - Nominations taken for 2012 Officers
		December 2011	- <b>Tuesday, Dec 6th</b> - <i>Club Meeting</i> 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154th St. - 2012 Officer election





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