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A Word from the President



It's hard to believe that November is here. The flying is winding down and the Christmas lists are starting to be written. I know I have a long list already so for those interested in getting me a few presents, I'll email you a copy. I'm sure there will be some nice flying days left so I won't be putting anything away just yet. It's been a fantastic and yet forgettable season for me. I've had some wonderful new experiences but also wrecked too many airplanes; some of them multiple times. By the way, ZAP and epoxy are on my Christmas list!

Moving on, we still have a few things to do club-wise for the rest of the year, so I'll get going with to-do list.

First up are the nominations of Officers meeting on November 8th, at 7:00 P.M. I have a ZOOM meeting planned on the website listed below. I know it's election night but you should be able to pry yourself away from the tv for 40 minutes.

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/5327848662?pwd=V2NrZWxTNGdkQjFZZWhZNUlHU0s0UT09>

Meeting ID: 532 784 8662
Passcode: bwE5p1

Individuals who have agreed to be nominated for another term in office include:

- Safety Officer: Mike Lawver
- Secretary: Tim Ryan
- Treasurer: Dean Copeland
- Vice President: Scott Kuhns
- President: Brian Peterson



Others wanting to be nominated, or nominate someone else, can do so at the meeting.

Next item of interest is a proposal put forth by the *Omahawks*, for a "3-Club Holiday Special". The proposal includes a reduced membership rate to three area clubs, which include the *Omahawks*, the *Lincoln Sky Knights* and the *Western R/C Flyers*. The reduce rate for joining two clubs would be \$5.00 off each membership if two clubs are joined and would increase to \$6.67 off for joining all three clubs. This offer only runs in December and then the membership dues go back to full price. We will be voting on this at the November 8th meeting, so please make sure you attend.

In last month's newsletter I told you that the FAA was going to release the updated rules for applying for field certifications (*FRIA*). As of right now, they have not done that, so I don't have any new information to pass along. As soon as I do, I will get with the Officers and AMA and determine what we need to do for compliance.

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President Cont.

The weeds at the field were sprayed on Oct.22 at a cost of \$400.00. We will get some estimates for any further applications and determine if we want to continue this next year.

While I'm thinking about it, for every purchase you make at *HobbyTown*, you can request points to be donated to the club you belong to, or any club you want. The concept being that the points acquired can go towards purchases of merchandise for Fun Fly prizes, or *Christmas gifts to a certain President*, should that be the case. I will find out more about it the next time I'm in there and let you all know the particulars.

Lastly, I bought an "Old-Timer" airplane at the *Omahawks* auction on Oct. 16th. It's my first one, so I'll have to get used to flying without ailerons, but should be a lot of fun. For those of you who know something about a *Dallaire - XL - E*, I'd be interested in getting a little background on the plane. Perhaps some of the "old timers" out there can give me some insight.

Well, that wraps it up for this month. Remember the meeting on the 8th, and especially remember to ask for my new Christmas list. Until next month,

See you at the Field - ***Brian Peterson***

Vice President Notes



As many of you know, I have only been a WRCF member for a few years. All of them have been positive but I have to say that this past year has been the most fun so far. I have attended every fun fly that we had and enjoyed all of them, got to know several of the other members a bit more than I had and learned a lot from them...some more than others... lol. So, I just wanted to say thanks to all of you for a great summer!

Now that summer is over and Fall has come and is nearly gone already, flying season is winding down fast and many of us are preparing to burrow in for a long winter of building. I have several projects that I have planned and will most likely be commenting on them in the near future but I would very much like to hear from anyone else doing projects this winter.

Someone (*can't remember who*) has proposed an "Advice column" or a "Tips and Tricks" section for the newsletter and I think this is a FANTASTIC idea. So...even though I might be overstepping my extremely limited authority, I would like to encourage anyone that has a building/flying tip that they feel may be helpful even if they just learned it themselves to forward that little morsal to Nelson so he can include it in the next newsletter. Personally, I need all the help I can get and would love to hear them. See "Tips & Tricks" column.

That being said, I'll start it off with a little tip that I just heard last week. I will keep secret the name of the person who shared this with me as to not throw **Mike Lawver** under the bus...oops!

That's all for now, there are still some great flying days to be had, let's not waste them talking,

Fly Large - ***Scott Kuhn***

Treasurer's Report



What can I say? The weather has not been very friendly to WRCF members. The only activity in the treasurer's dept. is our monthly potty invoice.

Just so you know membership renewals are approaching and feel free to start sending those in any time. We ended up with 62 paid up members for the 2022 season.

Let's keep our fingers crossed that we will have some decent weather before the dreaded snow ends our flying season. In spite of all that has happened over the last year or so, the club's treasury is in great shape and we will be entering the 2023 season ready for another great year.

Happy Landings - ***Dean Copeland***



TIPS AND TRICKS

The tip is: When priming a gas engine, it is not necessary to flip the engine over (*in spite of what is stated in most manuals*) but just bounce the prop back and forth against the compression stroke. As long as you can hear the "bump bump bump" sound of the piston, that is enough to run the pump of the carburetor and prime the engine for starting.



I know this may not seem an important tip for some but for me, a person new to gas engines, it is a HUGE labor saver. Thanks again Mike! I appreciate it greatly.
Scott

SEND ME A PHOTO OF YOUR LATEST, OR OLDEST, AIRPLANE. A ONE LINE DESCRIPTION IS ALL YOU NEED IF NOT WANTING TO SAY A LOT ABOUT IT. I WOULD LIKE TO RUN THESE IN THE NEWSLETTERS. THANKS, NELSON



http://www.metrorcflying.com/metro_newsletters.htm

FLASH BACK NOVEMBER 2007



Club member Bob Burt takes a pic at one of the fun flys.

MEAD FIELD WEATHER

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CLUB WEBSITE

<https://westernrcflyers.org>



Joint Membership Proposal

Presented is the "*Joint Club Membership Proposal*" for your review. This was brought forth by the *Omahawks* for our club's consideration. It would involve three clubs: *Omahawks*, *WRCF*, and *Skyknights*.

Details can be found in the proposal. Read and understand in its entirety. **Discussion and a vote (for or against)** will be taken at the club's **November 8th Zoom meeting**. Please attend and take part in the voting.

Brian Peterson is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Nominations

Time: **Nov 8, 2022 07:00 PM** Central Time (US and Canada)

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Proposal

Fellow Western R/C Club Members,

We have received a proposal to offer a reduced membership rate to three area clubs which include the Omahawks, the Western R/C Flyers and the Lincoln Sky Knights. By joining two or all three area clubs at one time, the membership dues rate will be discounted. For example, if a person joins the Omahawks and the Western R/C Flyers, their membership dues will be discounted by \$5.00/ea. for the two clubs joined. If a person decides to join all three clubs, the dues will be discounted by \$6.67/ea. Membership dues for the Omahawks is currently \$75.00, The Lincoln Sky Knights is \$100.00 and the Western R/C Flyers is \$35.00 so if all three clubs are joined, then the total dues paid will be \$190.00. This offer will only be available from November 25 through December 31.

Please note that this is not a merging or a consolidation of clubs. Each club will remain sovereign with its by-laws, regulations, and autonomy intact. This offer was proposed to build comradery and improve communication between our members, as well as save a little money for those who wish to have multiple memberships.

We will discuss and vote on this at our November 8th meeting, in addition to nominating officers, so please make plans to attend. Also keep in mind that this meeting will be limited to 40 minutes in length due to restrictions enacted by ZOOM meeting protocols, so lengthy discussions will not be possible. If you have any questions, please contact me. The link to the zoom meeting is listed below, but it will also be provided in the November newsletter. Thanks for your consideration and I hope to see you at the meeting.

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2022 Membership thru October 31st

	<u>2022 Members</u>		<u>AMA</u>
1	Doug	Lichti	239294
2	Luke	Hughes	1137442
3	Rick	Sessions	105968
4	Dean	Copeland	700148
5	Bud	Kilnoski	7572
6	Jim	Hoff Jr.	858014
7	Tim	Peters	41409
8	Loren	Blinde	91210
9	Tim	Ryan	1151475
10	Tom	Floyd	130852
11	David	Reiber	281
12	Brian	Peterson	112922
13	Tom	Wild	129512
14	Dan	Fitzgerald	1189735
15	David	Wirka	626413
16	Robert	Boumstein	N/A
17	Doug	Clemetson	1079758
18	Jim	Drawbaugh	1215297
19	Jack	Barry	741022
20	Nelson	Carpenter	5730
21	Barry	Rubin	525069
22	Rich	Jonas	997091
23	Larry	Inness	883391
24	Jack	Wilhelmi	49304
25	Mark	Derby	1046242
26	Skip	Brown	90624
27	Jim	Simonitch	108012
28	Jim	Henley	816592
29	Dean	Howard	n/a
30	Don	Pieken	491585
31	Frank	Trouba	54712
32	Mike	Lawver	1010979

	<u>2022 Members</u>		<u>AMA</u>
33	Rick	Haneline	445993
34	Michael	Watson	794778
35	Ruel	Roy	313239
36	Bud	Mitchell	747892
37	Gary	Striplin	621001
38	Ricky	Majors	441663
39	Mike	Vlcek	101775
40	Rich	Setlak	735901
41	Larry	Woscyna	1061039
42	Earl	Pollard	865026
43	James	Ogden	390498
44	Scott	Kuhm	509990
45	John	Mille	390177
46	Jud	Bock	558416
47	Skip	Prusha	333250
48	Jacob	Brown	596446
49	Jeff	Jacobs	422320
50	Bernie	Baker	928732
51	Steve	Rasmussen	1086761
52	Rich	Walker	923881
53	Bob	Wheeler	775001
54	Don	Fiedler	1082603
55	Carroll	Jolly	847183
56	Duwayne	Schmelzer	655512
57	Rene	Mayo	1038588
58	Gary	Vohnout	162708
59	Casey	Vohnout	774226
60	Tracy	Willits	681955
61	Don	Moss	1204151
62	Brian	Buchanan	991217

Source: Dean Copeland, Treasurer

Aviation Weather Forecast at Wahoo Municipal Airport, Nebraska



<http://www.usairnet.com/cgi-bin/launch/code.cgi?Submit=Go&sta=KAHQ&state=NE>

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<https://westernrcflyers.org>



Galloping Ghost!

By Tim Peters

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It's a spooky time-of-year. I have been guilty of creating somewhat unusual and occasionally unnerving aircraft. Earlier this year I experienced failure with the 'Insane Hovering RC Jet' project. Before that it was the it was the *Capstan T-53* sailplane with the forward-swept wings and the creepy flight characteristics. And there was the 'Sig Astro-Hog' that (due to builder-error) made several short and unstable flights followed by a quick trip to the local auction. You get the idea.

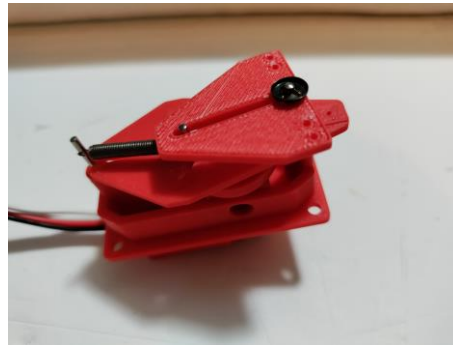
This time around, it's a ghost. A 'Galloping Ghost'. My best friend **Robert LeBaugh** and I started the R/C airplane hobby in 1971. We (jointly) purchased a molded foam glider (foam aircraft were just starting to be available at that time) along with a single-channel pulse proportional radio system from *Bud's Hobby* in Council Bluffs, IA. Control of the glider used a magnetic actuator that oscillated back and forth. It worked ok and we enjoyed afternoons at the top of a hill outside of Crescent, IA, chucking the glider for brief flights. This was not 'slope soaring', it was launch the plane, attempt to control it as it coasted down the hill, walk down, retrieve the plane, then back up the hill and repeat. Lots of exercise, but fun and simple. I lost track of the radio and the plane, it's probably in Bob's basement somewhere.

There is some world-wide interest in the 'nostalgia' R/C movement. People are resurrecting their antique radio equipment and reliving the past. Since misery loves company, I purchased a 'Galloping Ghost' actuator online. The unit plugs into the aileron channel on a modern R/C receiver. This way you get the signal reliability of a modern R/C transmitter/receiver along with the nostalgia of the old-time actuator. Instead of normal servo motion, the actuator operates like the original pulse proportional device that we used back in '71. You can see the operation of this unit by following this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xSaB8CNv0AQ>

The actuator will control the rudder on a yet-to-be-built "Aeronca Chief" kit (see the photo). Wingspan is about 4' and is intended for rubber power, I will use a small electric motor and 'cheat' with an ESC and traditional R/C motor control. Not sure about elevator control. More will be revealed as the project gets closer to completion.

Don't worry.....if plan "A" fails, there are 25 more letters in the alphabet.



Storage Shed Repaired

A huge "THANKS" to **Mike Lawver** (some of us call him "Wahoo Mike") who recently repaired the deteriorating wood siding above the garage door of our storage shed. Good work Mike!



Wilson Lake

By Tom Wild

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Wilson Lake is located in central Kansas and has been a premiere location for slope flying gliders. Several from Nebraska, including myself and other Western Flyers members, travel there for an annual gathering. Jack Barry and his wife also attended. That was September 17th this year.

The SSE winds were right up the main slope for the two days I was there, Friday and Saturday. It sounded like the guys who were there all week got plenty of flying on the main slope. The winds varied enough that we were able to fly the lighter planes in the morning and bigger faster planes later in the day. About 10 to 20 pilots were in attendance for this fall fun fly. Included are my photos.



Ty from Texas...



Sorry I don't know the names of the slope gliders very well, I will just put a few images on this page and caption them if I can. Blue wing plane is a DAW126 from Magnum Models.



Brian Lorenz from Wisconsin. He celebrated his birthday with us on Oct 1st.



Dream-flight Ahi on the left, Weasel in the rear and a Moth from North Country in Southern CA. EEP foam slope gliders.



FW190 "Warbird" racer



"Bad Voodoo" one design racer (ODR) from Magnum Models.

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Jim Baker from Lincoln Ne



Mark Dennis from Kansas City Ks launches his P63 warbird.



Thane Kirchhoff launching for Jim Baker, both from Lincoln Ne.



Jack and Linda Barry with their dog Sadie.

Midwest AT6 Texan

By Bernie Baker

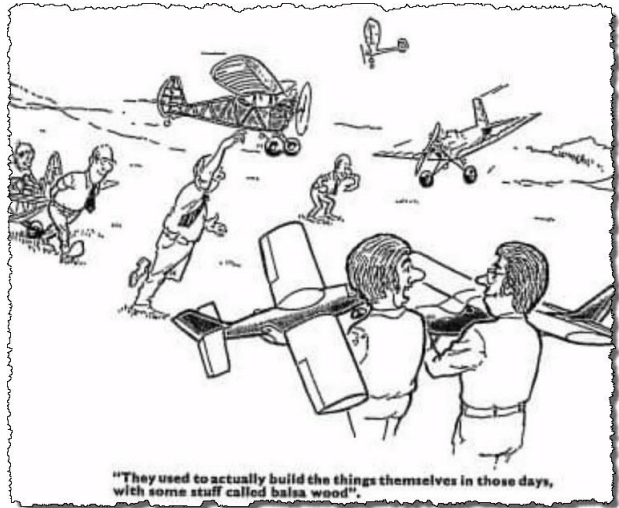
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I finished the *Midwest AT6* and applied the *Callie Graphics*. I didn't need to add any nose weight, but still seems a little heavy. (*I still need to weigh it.*) Initial taxi tests were all good and the Robart retracts held air, which is always a good thing. The VVRC 30cc *Twin* ran great and should be plenty of power.

I've decided I'll wait until next spring for the maiden flight. I want to enjoy looking at it over the winter months before I ding it up once I start flying it.

There may be a few good flying days left before winter sets in and the field is in great shape, but very dry.



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Autumn in the Ozarks

By Dave Kelly

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It's been a month of near perfect weather. I have been flying an electric *Turbo Timber*. It's a great airplane for touch and go landings. Its "safe" mode characteristics has taught me a thing or two. It's a lot of fun. Our field is surrounded by trees (*everything in Ozark's is that way*) so this little guy is easy to keep nearby.

Our local regional airport hosts an air show every other year. Renae and I made it out the Friday prior before crowds, and I was able to walk around all the warbirds. Spent a lot of time around two P-51s. Got a lot of detail pics for one of my current projects. An all-composite kit in true 1/5 scale. Saturday's show was excellent.

My B-26 is still on the board as well, just needed something else to get my mind off it for a while. That happens on big projects, leastwise it does for me. I get to spend a lot of time in shop. So, I can take my time on many details, and it makes for a better model in the end.

Short and quick, take care all!!

Dave





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Western R/C Flyers Event Schedule*

*Western RC Flyers calendar: <https://westernrcflyers.org/a/szz/r/rc/calendar>

*Metro Area RC Flying calendar: http://www.metrorcflying.com/metro_schedule.htm



Western R/C Flyers Inc.



Membership Renewal and Application 2022

Membership application subject to approval. Current AMA/FAA membership are required.

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

AMA Number: _____ FAA Number: _____

2022 Dues: \$35.00 (Renewals due by **April 1st**)

Sign Here: _____ Date _____

Checks Payable to: Western R/C Flyers

Print and complete this form (new applicants only); Current members send payment and include AMA & FAA registration numbers, e-mail, and postal mailing address. Applicants also provide same info. send to:

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