

#### TAILSPIN NEWSLETTER

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#### A Word From The President



I can't say often enough what a great year it has been at our Mead flying field. We've seen just about the best usage and flying at the field in a long time. Whatever we are doing, seems to be working!

A change you will see at the field is the widening of the runway, and lengthening of the pit area. We went east 20 feet

along the length of the runway, and the pit area was extended further south by about 100 feet. You should find this to be a very good improvement to the field.

Remember, starting Tuesday October 4th our monthly meetings move indoors for the winter. Same location as we've had them for several years. All meetings this winter will be in the lower level of the NRD building.

See you at the next meeting!

Thanks ~ Rick Miller

#### **Vice-President's Corner**



Everything went well at Mead this year. The weather cooperated for the most part, and everyone got the word out to each other when they'd be flying at Mead. That made a big difference in that you have a group to fly with, and not just showing up to be the only one at the field on a given time. Making those phone calls and

sending out e-mails was the key. We'll continue that next year.

The increased activity at the field has also brought several new members into the club. They like what they see, and the type of flying we do as well as how well our field is maintained. Also the openness of Mead Field is attractive to these new comers.

Starting next April we could use a couple of volunteers to help **Terry Pollard** with the mowing. Terry has willingly done this task by himself all year, and would like a break next flying season. Typically the field is mowed once a week during the summer with the riding lawn tractors the club uses. One person gets the field mowed in two hours.

### **Next Meeting:**

7:00 PM Tuesday – October 4th, 2011
Location: Papio-Missouri River NRD Bldg
(Lower level, enter left side of building.)



If a couple of you wanted to team up, the time it took to mow would be cut in half with the two riding mowers. Contact Rick or myself if you are interested in helping out.

We have been thanked more than once by the handful of "flooded out" flyers who were allowed to use our flying field. They were very appreciative and will not forget this kind act.

A final *Old Timers/Glider Fun Fly* has been scheduled for <u>October 8th</u> with a makeup date on the 15th. The Huskers play an evening game, so you shouldn't have an excuse for not getting this last fun fly in. The usual food and beverage will be at noon for participants.

The October meeting is indoors this coming Tuesday evening. Contact one of the officers if you need directions to get there. Also, this meeting starts our sessions of Show n' Tell.

Welcome new club members! We are glad to have you!

Come out and fly!

~ Nelson Carpenter

### **Treasurer's Report**



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

Thank You!

~ Dean Copeland



# PAPIO-MISSOURI RIVER NATURAL RESOURCES CENTER







### Rumors, Gossip and other Signs of Decay

In the latest issue of Model Aviation there are two articles I want to address:

- 1. The first is the new engine column. The author is reviewing the new YS 140 Sport. He fails to mention this is a \$460 motor, kind of; like the car magazines, he reviews a motor that very few modelers may ever buy due to cost. Additionally the up-keep or repair on these motors is big bucks. I am puzzled by the trend in engines these days anyway. OS gets \$160 for the new 55AX; do they think that is a little pricey for that motor? We are seeing a big increase in OS pricing as they position themselves to be a "Packard" (high priced cars of the 1930's that did not survive) in a world of really great priced engines from China.
- 2. The fellow who writes the scale column then added a remark that he "told a friend who was having engine problems to throw away everything that was not OS or Saito." He thinks all else is junk. Wrong, wrong, wrong. Thunder Tiger, Magnum, Super Tigre etc are good motors; there are guys that love Fox too!

The point of my dissertation is that whatever works best for you is fine. I was at the field a few weeks ago and five used engines were being flown (yes, they were all bought from me) they worked great. Rick Miller's open rocker arm OS 60 runs like a bear! Look -- whatever you like is your business but I read any and every article I see on engines and I am getting upset with reviews that are not truthful. I have seen a lot of bias over the years. Only RC Report treated things fairly -- the good, the bad, and the price.

Lastly I think we had great success this year as a club. Flying at Mead has never been better, the field is in great shape, and the friendship has been outstanding. I want to take a moment to thank everyone. It is my intention to continue my column from Las Vegas over the winter.

Best Regards to Everyone!

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

#### 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.





### **ROADS TO MEAD FIELD**

Trouble getting to the field? At the Town of Mead corner on Highway 92, turn south driving 3.7 miles 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 (South View)



## **SEPTEMBER FLYING AT MEAD FIELD**





















































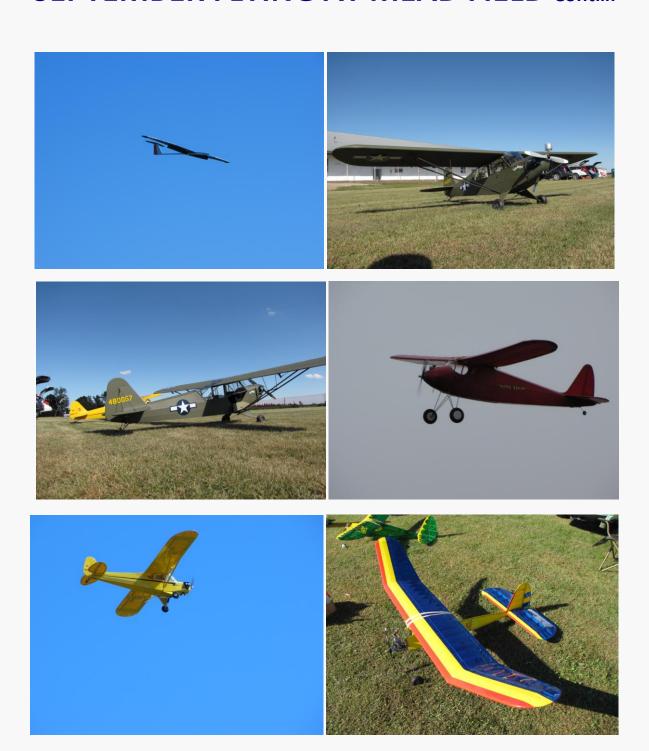












### ~ 2011 Western R/C Flyers Event Schedule ~

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

January	
2011	

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

(CAP meeting room, basement, far left of entrance)

### July <u>2011</u>

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

- **Saturday**, **Jul 16th** - *Old-Timers Fun Fly* - Starts at 9:00am with flying until noon or later.

## February 2011

- Tuesday, Feb 1st - Club Meeting 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S.

(CAP meeting room, basement, far left of entrance)

## March 2011

- **Tuesday, Mar 1st** - *Club Meeting* 7pm, NRC, Natural Resources Center, Chalco Hills Recreation Area, 8901 S. 154h 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. 154b St

(Downstairs meeting room - north end bldg)

### August 2011

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

- 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.

- Saturday, Aug 20h – Old Timers Fun Fly Starts at 9:00am with flying until noon or later.

### May 2011

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

- **Saturday, May 21st** – *Old Timers Fun Fly* at Mead. Starts at 9:00am with flying until noon or later.

### June 2011

- Sunday, Jun  $5_{th}$  – 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 18**th – *Old Timers Fun Fly* at Mead. Registration at 9:00am with flying until noon.

### September 2011

- **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.

- Tuesday, Sep 6th - Club Meeting 7pm, MEAD FIELD - bring a plane, open flying.

- **Saturday, Sep 17th** – *Old Timers Fun Fly* – Starts at 9:00am with flying until noon or later.

### October 2011

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

- **Saturday, Oct 8th** – *Old Timers Fun Fly with Glider Fly* – Starts at 9:00am with flying until noon or later.

### November <u>2011</u>

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

- Nominations taken for 2012 Officers

## December 2011

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

- 2012 Officer election





### **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 must be paid by <u>April 1</u>*) 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:
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