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President's Prop-Wash



Larry Lewis

Hey guys. My comments will be short and sweet this month, as I really need to get this to Brandon in a hurry. Like every month before, the deadline has jumped on my back (so did Brandon!) The weeks are really going by fast now and the first sanctioned fly in will be here before you know it. Our April 19th event is just around the corner as well. Lots to do before then, so I'll jump right in to that. Mainly, the runway! Our grass runway repair project has been a hot topic in recent weeks, and it looks like we're set to move on it. A lot of things had to be lined up like equipment, prices, and more importantly, where could we

get the fill dirt needed. Well, I please to say I've been in direct contact with our new land owner this past week, and he has given us the go-ahead to use dirt from another part of the property. Now all we need is to set the day, and line the equipment up. We'll talk more details at this month's meeting, but I will say this, we need to act fast. We have a fly in approaching fast, and need as much time as possible to grow some weeds in the filled areas.

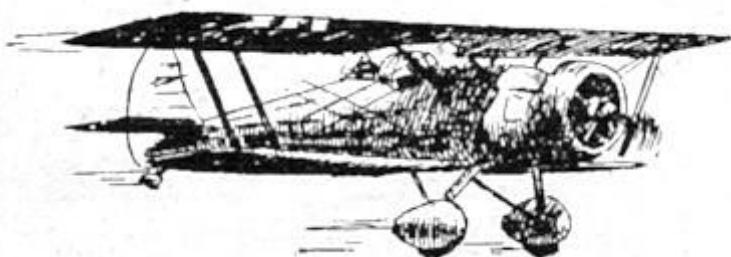
Though the weather hasn't been the best in recent weeks, it hasn't stopped folks from filling the skies. We've seen a lot of new projects taking to the air, and folks are really gearing up for the 2008 summer season. I still have plenty of building to do myself, but have enough to start me out this season. Next on the building block is my new Yak 54. I'm really missing Yak#1, and I can't wait to get this new one going. Things are going well with my new Python, but I have a lot of flying to do before I'm in the comfort zone. It's been 4 months since I did any 3D stuff, and my flying really shows it! Yea,,,,,, I'm skeeered!!!!!!

OH oh oh,,,,,,BIG NEWS! Just in case you haven't heard, the Outlaw ARF's are HERE! I just got my first look at the final version, and it looks GREAT! Chris Hinsen at "Extreme Flight RC" has done an outstanding job with this plane, and he's made all the needed corrections from version two that is sure to make this plane a huge hit with modelers everywhere. Hmmmmmmmmmm,,,,,, maybe I'll bring one to the meeting this Wednesday for "Show & Tell"?

As for this month's meeting, we don't have a whole lot of business to discuss, but what we do have is very important, so we hope to see you there. I'm sure Josh Bunn has more info to pass on about the up-coming IMAC event, and we need to talk a little about our event as well. Of course, we always welcome any input from any of our members, and always have "New Business" to discuss. So please make a point to attend. And let's not forget, our meetings are supposed to be FUN also. So bring those "Show & Tell" items folks!

Hope to see ya there!,

-Larry



Visit the club website at www.rd-rc.org

*See y'all at the meetin'!!!
This Wednesday!!!
February 27th!!!*



Josh Bunn

A Few Words from the VP

Another month has past and things are going great for the club. Membership is strong and everyone is getting their dues in for the most part. If you have not paid them yet, please get them sent in. As most of you know, it takes a lot to keep a club this size up and running. One of the tasks for this year is getting the grass runway in better shape. I know Larry has been hard at work with getting all the ducks in a row so we can make these improvements. I think Larry has called me at least six to ten times just about the runway. I know everyone wants it done now, including me. I think he has got most ever thing ironed out between the land owner, the roller, the dump truck, the back hoe, and trying to get a date set, etc. So please try to make an effort to come and help with this project. The more people that come out and help, the less time it will take to get it done. I hope to see ever one out at the field soon.

-Josh



Minutes of RDRC meeting January 23rd, 2008

By: Secretary Dave Hockaday



- The meeting was called to order by President Larry Lewis at 7:35 p.m.
- President Larry Lewis checked for any new members and guests that might have been present. There were 31 members were present. New members present were: Frank Moore, Vinod Matthew, & Mark Jones.
- The minutes for the November meeting were read and approved as written.
- Safety Officer Jay Benson had no reports of safety violations at the field.
- Dustin Hedrick gave a treasurer's report and reported a great 2007, with money in the bank and starting 2008 in good condition.

Old Business

- A short discussion was given on the Jan 1 Club Fun-Fly. It was very low key, and lots of great food was prepared and eaten.
- Dues are DUE... The new security code was printed on membership cards, and the code will be changed on Feb 1st.
- It was reported that drink money/sales is now under control and working well.
- Plans are being made to place gravel on the main road.
- Sanctions have been applied for an approved for all RDRC events (Spring Flyin, Fall Flyin, and IMAA)
- Sign at entrance of path needs to be reworked, and is still in progress.
- 2-color membership badges were approved, and are now being made.

New Business

- Mowing contracts need to be in by Feb 20, so field maintenance can be kept up.
- RDRC approved up to \$3000 for cost of getting the equipment to roll the field.
- RDRC voted to make Jim Steffens an honorary member, for his lifelong contributions to R/C modeling.
- Discussion was made about the electrical wire depth that supplies the shed, and the size of same. Randy Long & Charlie Thompson have knowledge of this.
- Many members have tables at the Burlington swap meet. Don't forget to go!
- The meeting was closed at 8:55 p.m.

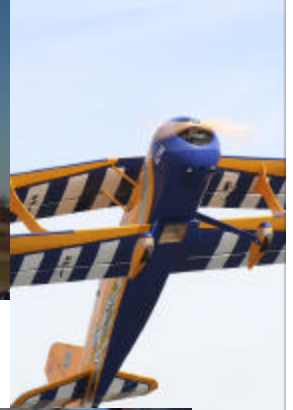
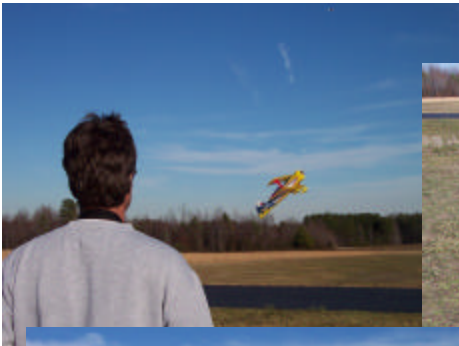




Now For The Fun!!!



Feb. 2nd @ RDRC



Feb. 3rd @ RDRC



Feb. 15th @ RDRC



Feb. 16th @ the Field

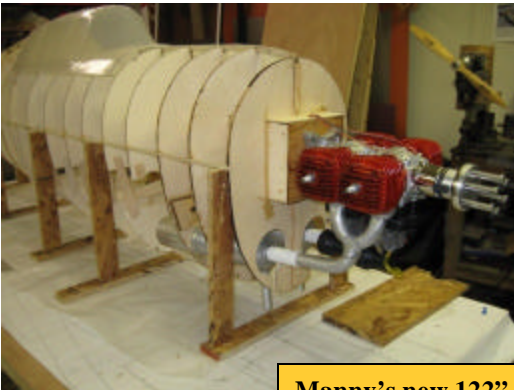


Feb. 10th, Slope Soaring @ Neal's





Some Members New Planes



Manny's new 122" P-47 with a 3W 212cc



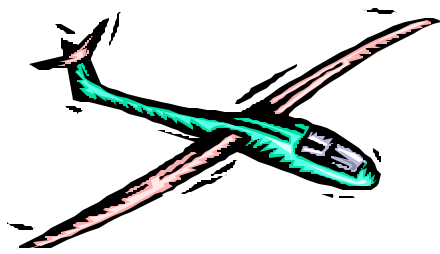
Jason and his E-Ultimate



Larry's new Falcon 120 with 14 lb. Thrust Turbine



Josh's new Carden 40% Extra 330M



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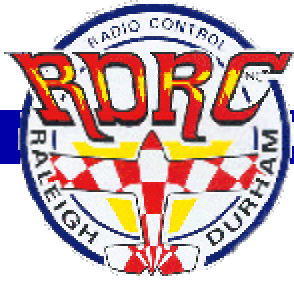
All club members are urged to submit material to be published in the newsletter. The material must be received by the second Saturday of each month. Text is easily submitted in the form of regular mail or e-mails sent to my address above, photos can be attachments in any format that your camera produces (or scanned photos).

Note from the Editor

What's up everyone? This year has definitely been off to an awesome start! I have a weird feeling that we're gonna have some kind of late winter blast come through sooner or later. But for the most part, it's gonna be a great flyin' year! Hope to see everyone at the meeting this Wednesday night because we really need to finalize the plan for fixing the grass runway. So I guess I'll see ya then!

- Brandon Hockaday





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