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COMING IN JULY & AUGUST

July 9th, July Meeting, 7:30pm, Bloomingdale Public Library

July 22nd, Fun-Fly #3, 10:00am start, Pratt's Wayne Woods

Aug 12th, Memorial Giant Scale, Pratt's Wayne Woods

Aug 13th, Club Meeting, Monday, 7:30pm, Bloomingdale Public Library

Aug 19th Fun Fly #4, 10:00am start, Pratt's Wayne Woods

What Happened in June?

NOTES OF BARNSTORMERS MEETING OF JUNE 11, 2001

ATTENDANCE

There were 22 members present.

OFFICER REPORTS

President: John Howe asked about visitors and new members at the meeting. Drew and Curt Oswald joined the club this evening. Curt put together a plane in March and anxious to fly it and is looking for an instructor.

Treasurer: Bob Elsner said we still have money in the bank. Next time we'll see if we can get him to tell us how much!

Vice President: John Janninck said that "Butch" would provide the entertainment at the next (July 9th) meeting. Butch is going to tell us what all of these features our on our computer radios and tell us how to set them.

Secretary: Scott Taylor said he was looking for volunteers to display their models and answer questions about modeling at the EAA Chapter 153 Pancake Breakfast at Schaumburg airport. Jim Walden volunteered to bring his Stinson Reliant and Curtis Robin.

Scott also reminded everyone about the Open House on June 24th. He asked those members with trainers and trainer boxes bring them for student flights in the afternoon. Everyone else was invited to bring their planes and just enjoy flying them.

COMMITTEES

Fun Fly: Jim Paroline reported on Fun Fly #2 held on June 10th. This event was a combination timed flight (60 seconds) with spot landing and a wiffle ball touch and go. All maneuvers were accomplished without a crash! First place went to Ron Myer, second to Scott Taylor, third to Jeff Peca, and fourth to David West.

Fun Fly #3 is scheduled for July 22nd. Touch and go poker and a climb and glide are on the agenda. Last year the T&G poker was loads of fun. Just a reminder, you don't have to be an expert to fly in these events. You may not take first place, but you will definitely improve your flying skills.

Combat: David West said 6 pilots flew in the combat event following the Fun Fly. The event consisted of three rounds with a carrier landing. Top spots went to Scott Hurley, Dave West, and Jim Paroline taking first, second, and third, consecutively.

Safety: Charlie Baxa said there have been some incidents of transmitters being put back on the stands still turned on. He reminded everyone to be careful when putting transmitters back on the stand and to do a quick scan of all transmitters when taking one off the stand.

Charlie also mentioned that aircraft equipped with gas engines should have a working kill switch that is easily accessible.

Finally, fly the pattern! When more than one plane is in the air, be sure to fly the established pattern or fly well clear of other aircraft.

ENTERTAINMENT

Members were given the option of watching a videotape or cutting the meeting short. In a word, "Good Bye".

PLANES

David West brought in his most recent clever design. His "Pepto Bismo" (because it is all pink), was assembled from one quarter inch foam insulation used under home siding. The insulation is available at home supply stores and comes fan folded. He took advantage of the fold for the leading edge of the wing. Dave is also experimenting with molding the foam around forms in the oven. He finds 275 degrees about right. This plane was equipped with a 10 cell electric power plant and performed very well at the fun fly.

DOOR PRIZES/ROLLOVER

Jeff Peca and new member Curt Oswald to home the door prizes. There was no winner in the rollover.

Fathers Day Pancake Breakfast

Jim Walden and Scott Taylor brought models to display at the EAA Chapter 153 pancake breakfast on Father's Day. Almost 800 breakfasts were served. This was a great opportunity to educate some people already interested in flying about RC modeling. Jim brought his partially completed Stinson Reliant and Curtis Robin. A very big THANK YOU to Jim for spending his morning talking to visitors.

Results From Fun Fly #2

The Barnstormers second fun fly was held on June 10th at the flying site at Pratt's Wayne Woods. The sun was shining, the air was warm, and the breezes were moderate. We did two events, a 60 second timed flight with spot landing and the wiffle ball touch and go. Jim, once again, cooked us a great lunch on the portable grill. Here are the top contenders.

1 st Place	Ron Myer
2 nd Place	Scott Taylor
3 rd Place	Jeff Peca
4 th Place	Dave West

The next event will be a poker spot landing. You do touch and goes to land on the card you want. Best hand wins. This one is lots of fun.

Don't miss it!

2001 Open House

We had another beautiful day for our Open House. There were plenty of planes on-hand. Everyone enjoyed the flying. Unfortunately, there weren't enough combat planes or Four Star 40's for a combat or pylon event. Jeff Peca, once again, demonstrated his RC control line plane. You have to see this, it always take the crowd by surprise. Scott Taylor regularly loses plane during training flights. This was no exception. He got to low and inverted with a student and was unable to recover.

We gave about 15 introductory flights. Several were heading straight for the hobby shop afterwards and at least one new member signed up. That's why we do this event. I'd call it another success!

Pictures from Open House – June 24, 2001

(photos by Bob Elsner)





June 10th Fun-Fly



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