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## Coming in December & January

December 9<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting (Christmas and Charity Raffle), 7:30pm, Bloomingdale Library  
December 16<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting, 7:30pm, Bloomingdale Library

January 1<sup>st</sup> New Years Fun Fly, 12pm/Noon, Pratt Wayne Woods

January 13<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting, 7:30pm, Bloomingdale Library

January 27<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting, 7:30pm, Bloomingdale Library

## Santa Pays a Visit at December Meeting

With the exception of the Swap Shop, the biggest single expense for the club is the Christmas Raffle. This is a chance for members to get a little back for the support and contributions they make to our club.

We gave Santa a budget of \$1000 to spend and he'll be bringing a bag full of goodies.

You have to be a 2002 member and present to win, but you can't beat the odds. Last year, everyone went home with a gift. Some even got two! So get out of those armchairs and head to the Library next Monday December 9<sup>th</sup>.



## Help a Family, Win Some RC Stuff!

Once again, **Debbie Howe** has volunteered to track down contributions from RC vendors and organize a raffle to benefit the Bloomingdale Wish Tree Foundation. This organization provides meals to needy families during the holiday season. You can help by buying tickets to win some of the RC stuff donated by many of the local vendors, manufacturers, and shops.

How does it work? You buy raffle tickets for \$1 each. There will be several batches of prizes that will each have a corresponding cup. Decide which batches of stuff you'd like to win and put your tickets in the cup. The more tickets you buy the better your odds. And you can drop tickets in the cup for any or all the batches.



Last year our donations totaled \$680 and brought meals and holiday cheer to 13 families plus 6 additional children. Let's see if we can outdo ourselves this year!

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## Officers Elected in November!

This reporter has witnessed many SRCB club elections, but this election was one of the most impressive in recent years. No "hens teeth", no "needles in a haystack", just a room full of willing and competent volunteers offering up their service. A great big "**thank you**" goes out to those who volunteered for a position. And a great big congratulation goes to the newly elected officers and board members.

Although most of the positions had a single candidate, two positions had challengers. The most memorable quote of the evening was from Tom Lyons, who upon learning he had lost his Vice Presidential bid for office, was heard saying, "*Just how many Hurley's are here tonight!*"

Here are your new officers and board members:

**President:** John Howe  
**Vice-President:** Scott Hurley  
**Treasurer:** Bob Elsner  
**Secretary:** Scott Taylor  
**Safety Chairman:** Jim Paroline  
**Flight Instruction:** Jim Scahill  
**Fun-Fly/Board:** Steve Dietrich  
**Newsletter/Board:** Mike Bargman  
**Board:** Ron Hilger  
**Board:** John Janninck (previous officer)  
**Board:** David West  
**Board:** Charlie Baxa

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# What Happened in November

## NOTES OF BARNSTORMERS MEETING OF November 11, 2002

### ATTENDANCE

There were 43 members present. Shewen Smith has been to several meetings and introduced himself again, this time as a new member (for 2003).

### OFFICER REPORTS

**President:** John Howe said the date had been secured at the Dupage Fairgrounds for the 2003 Swap Shop. We will hold the event on April 12<sup>th</sup>. Our event will be on the same day as the Civil War show, again this year.

**Treasurer:** Bob Elsner reported a balance of \$2958. Bob also said we had 182 pounds of turkey to give away.

Next meeting would be the Christmas raffle. We would love to have a little extra food, if you have something to share, please bring it.

Bob will be preparing the budget for review at the next Board meeting. A copy of the budget will be printed in the December newsletter. The budget will be voted on in January.

Bob said there was a \$90 surplus in the rollover raffle fund. We hope to get a nice item for the next raffle.

Bob also added he was accepting 2003 membership renewals.

**Vice President:** John Janninck said we would not have a rollover since we would be having the turkey raffle. However, John Krygier donated a telescoping magnet that we would use for a door prize.

**Secretary:** Scott Taylor showed the Barnstormer/Lisle Fun Fly plaque that now shows the Barnstormers as the 2002 winners. The plaque will be placed back in our display case at the library.

Scott said he had 2003 EAA World of Flight calendars for sale. They were \$10 each.

### COMMITTEES

**Fun Fly:** No report.

**Safety:** Charlie Baxa said he received a call from the President of the club at Shoe Factory Road. They are looking into improving their frequency control system and were asking how other clubs control their fields.

**Flight Instruction:** No report.

### OTHER

**Forest Preserve Election Results:** Calvin Defenbau read off the names of the recently elected Forest Preserve officials. We should keep these names in mind when thinking about management of the field. The new officials are:

President: D. "Dewey" Pierotti  
Commissioner District 1: Marsha Murphy  
Commissioner District 2: Joseph F. Cantore  
Commissioner District 3: Wallace H. Brown  
Commissioner District 4: Gwen Henry  
Commissioner District 5: Carl Schultz  
Commissioner District 6: Roger G. Kotecki

**Charity Raffle:** Debbie Howe said she has made some contacts with RC manufacturers for items for the raffle. She also asked if the club would donate a one year membership as part of the raffle. The membership moved and passed a motion to grant the gift membership.

**Elections:** Additional nominations were accepted for officers prior to election. Steve Dietrich accepted his nomination to Fun-Fly Chairman, Scott Hurley accepted a nomination for Vice-President, and David West accepted a nomination for Board. Since there was one more Board candidate than positions, Mike Cannata withdrew his nomination acceptance in an effort to simplify the election process. With this change, only two positions had more than one candidate. The candidates left the room and a vote was taken to choose a Vice-President. Scott Hurley won the Vice-President position over Tom Lyons. Upon returning to the room, Tom could be heard saying, "**Just how many Hurley's are here tonight!**" This left only one candidate for Fun Fly Chairman. A motion was made and seconded to accept the candidates for the remaining positions. The election results are as follows:

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**Vice-President:** Scott Hurley  
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**Safety Chairman:** Jim Paroline  
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**Greg Ostdick** suggested having an indoor fun fly and said he had some contacts at the Odeum. He will find out what it would cost to rent the facility for an evening. Keith Egging added there was a recent article on a Golf Dome Fly Night, which might be another possibility. If we couldn't get the dome for ourselves, he suggested a Zagi try and hit it, night!

**Jim Scahill** said he was interested in having a Delta Dart building night with a Scout troop in Plainfield. Sounded like a good idea for early next year. Scott Taylor and Hugo Mosquera said they had delta kits and building supplies from the RCHTA shows.

**Steve Dietrich** has been looking into a supplier for club shirts, hats, jackets, and other articles. He did a quick poll on what types of items

members would be interested in. Sounded like polo shirts embroidered with the club logo and persons name were high on the list.

### PLANES AND OTHER STUFF

**Scott Hurley** showed us a new plane in his PCP hanger. The design is very similar to a plastic version of the Brick Knife. His new design has not flown yet and weighs in at about 5 – 5½ pounds. The prototype is powered by a Rossi .40 and he is using servos on all control surfaces.

**Ron Hilger** brought in a Light Stick electric park flyer that he has modified by cutting 10 inches of the wing. Ron is hoping the reduced drag and higher wing loading will make the flying a little sportier. Power and radio has not been changed.

**Mike Bargman** found a Pelican gun case that makes a great transmitter case. It is waterproof and tough enough to handle a truck running over it. The case retails for around \$75, but he says he can get them for about \$15 less. Let him know if you're interested in one.

### DOOR PRIZES/ROLLOVER

**Don Lansu** won the telescoping magnet door prize.



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