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Coming in November & December

November 11th Club Meeting (Elections and Turkey Raffle), 7:30pm, Bloomingdale Library
November 25th Board Meeting, 7:30pm, Bloomingdale Library

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

Special Prizes “Flown” in for November Meeting

Members attending the November meeting can expect to find a number of special prizes to be given away. These prizes had been “flown” in for just this occasion. And boy, are their wings tired! They are of course the

traditional Thanksgiving turkeys! And we will be giving them away at our next meeting. But you’ve got to be there to win, so mark your calendar today.

Officer Elections in November

At the October meeting, a full complement of officers, committee, and board candidates were selected. Now the rest is up to you, the members. In order to make it “official”, we need your vote. Please plan to attend the November meeting. Not only will you be supporting your club and the members who’s efforts make the club work, but you will have a chance to win some turkeys, too!

Here is the election lineup.

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

What Happened in November

Membership Meeting October 14, 2002

ATTENDANCE

There were 26 members present. New member Adrian Pamintuan said he recently completed his first solo take off and landing with Scott Hurley's help.

OFFICER REPORTS

President: John Howe reported on some upcoming swap shops. The Winnebago RC Flyers swap shop is in Oshkosh, WI, on October 20th. The Pot O' Gold swap shop is in South Bend, Indiana, on November 9th.

Treasurer: Bob Elsner reported a balance of \$3326.

Vice President: John Janninck said we had a great door prize for the evening, a battery smart tester. Also, the Hanger 9 Super Stick ARF rollover was going to go this evening.

Secretary: Scott Taylor added to John Janninck's comments in that the Board had agreed to spend some of our budgeted but unspent funds on a better door prize. Also, it was agreed by the Board to try experimenting with eliminating the two dollar limit on the rollover prizes. The hope is increased participation will allow an increase in the value of the prizes.

COMMITTEES

Fun Fly: Jim Paroline reported on the interclub fun fly. The event was well attended by both clubs and was great fun. We were caught off-guard when we were told that mechanical release mechanisms would be allowed. Scott Hurley threw together a number of release mechanisms that could be rubber-banded to any plane. Even without practice with the unfamiliar mechanisms, our accuracy won us the event. However, the competition was only inches behind. Jim Paroline had the closest drop in our club and Charlie Baxa was second.

Safety: Charlie Baxa reminded everyone that flying safety starts the minute you turn down the road to the field. We recently had an incident of an individual new to the hobby and unfamiliar with our field, who had thought the horse parking lot was the flying field. He unloaded his electric model and proceeded to begin flying. Fortunately, one of the members driving in saw this, pointed him to the real field, and gave him a lesson on frequency control.

Flight Instruction: Jim Paroline said this was his last year as head flight instructor and fun fly chairman. Jim has put in many hours for which we owe him our thanks.

OTHER

Swap Shop: As John was talking about upcoming swap shops in the area, Charlie Baxa mentioned that a number of people had been asking at Al's Hobby shop

about whether "The Big One" was being held this year. Because it was not, Charlie suggested it might be a good opportunity for our club to have a swap on or near "The Big One" date. The idea sounded good, but being able to organize the event on short notice and manage two swap events in one year was uncertain. Changing the date would be considered for next year.

Bi-Plane Fun Fly: Charlie Baxa said Al's Hobby bi-plane fun fly would be back next year at the Saint Charles flying field. It will be held in August.

New Web Site: Mike Bargman has volunteered to take over the task of updating our web site. Our site now has a new look and a new address. Please visit often to keep up with the changes and please pass items you would like to see on the site to Mike. The new address is <http://www.SuburbanRCBarnstormers.com>

Charity Raffle: Debbie Howe asked the club if there was interest in having another raffle to support the Bloomingdale Wish Tree organization. Everyone agreed it was a great way to support the charity and asked it be continued. This is a lot of work for Debbie contacting vendors and she and John should be given many thanks for organizing this raffle.

Nominations: Nominations for open officer, committee, and board positions were held. Amazingly, every position was filled. Currently, there is only one position that might be a horse race (Fun Fly Chairman), but admittedly, Steve Dietrich was nominated in his absence. Here's how the positions break down. Please make sure to attend the next meeting to provide your vote of confidence.

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PLANES

Tom Lyons showed the club his new SIG LT25 that he built with reduced dihedral and powered by an MDS .28 engine. As its name implies, this high wing plane is light and looks good in its orange, red, and white finish.

DOOR PRIZES/ROLLOVER

The door prize for the "Smart Battery Tester" went to Don Lansu. The rollover prize was taken home by Tom Lyons. Congratulations!

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