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Coming in December and January

December 13th, Membership Meeting (Christmas Raffle), 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library (Room A/B)

December 20th, Board Meeting, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

January 1st, New Years Day Fun Fly, Pratt Woods, Photo at Noon

January 10th, Member Meeting, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library (NOTE: this meeting in room C)

January 24th, Board Meeting, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

Christmas Raffles

Once again it is time for our annual Christmas Meeting. As usual there will be the free give away for everyone who attends the meeting and we will also be having the 8th annual Bloomingdale Wish Tree Charity Raffle. For those of you who were not at the last meeting I will explain. I have contacted 41 different companies asking for anything they can donate r/c



related. I then take these products and group them together into categories to be raffled off. We sell tickets for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. You can put as many tickets as you please into any of the categories. Then, after all are done we draw the winner out of

each category that night. I then take all the proceeds the next day to Wal-Mart and purchase gifts for the kids and senior that we have chosen on the wish tree. We can also purchase gift cards for the families we support. In the past we have been very fortunate to get over \$800 dollars to donate to them. I have said many times before that this is not a cheap hobby and we are all very fortunate to be able to take part of this hobby. I also know that when I have seen the faces of the children light up when Santa gives them a present that they would have otherwise gotten nothing. It makes the whole Holiday Spirit come alive. I also know that many of us take for granted that there is always food in the house and especially at the holidays. We are also able to help with providing these families with food to eat for the holidays with any money left over after purchasing the gifts. So I ask when you come to the Christmas Party bring your money and help out the charity raffle. We will also be accepting food for the donation, as well. Dry goods, can goods are appreciated. Thank you again and I know this may be a bit early but from our family to your Merry Christmas!!!!

NOTES OF BARNSTORMERS MEETING

November 8, 2004

ATTENDENCE

Thirty four members were in attendance. Nathan Martinez and Venessa Scahill were visiting.

OFFICER REPORTS

President: John Howe reviewed the ballot for the officer elections.

Treasurer: Bob Elsner reported a balance of \$2070 in the treasury and said that he had brought in 12 turkeys for the raffle.

Vice President: Scott Hurley was absent during the officer reports

Secretary: Scott Taylor reported there were two swaps coming up. The Pot 'O Gold in Indiana and the Chicagoland Swap.

COMMITTEES

Fun Flies – No report.

Flight Instruction - Jim Scahill said instruction at the field was over for the season, but he did add he would be willing to instruct in the Golf Dome on Saturday evenings.

OTHER BUSINESS

Dome Flying – Jeff Peca reported that flying in the Golf Dome would begin on Thursday November 11th. Thursday will continue to be for club members, only. Friday and Saturday will be open. The fee is a flat \$10.

Bloomington Wishtree – Debbie Howe read a letter from the Bloomington Wishtree organization thanking us for our help last year. Debbie said she would be organizing a raffle again, this year. The money taken in for the raffle is used to buy toys and gift cards. Jim Scahill also suggested asking members to bring in non-perishable food items. A motion was made to take \$100 of our Christmas raffle money and donate it to Bloomington Wishtree.

The motion was seconded and passed by the membership.

Field Report – It was reported that a new divot was created in the field by a Gee Bee ARF kit that impacted the ground. John Howe was seen in the vicinity of this incident.

Christmas Meeting – The next meeting will be our annual Christmas raffle. The club will supply a sandwich and some other treats, but members are welcome to bring snacks and desserts.

Election Results – Elections for officers were held at this meeting. The new (and returning) officers are shown below.

President: Jim Scahill

Vice-President: Orvil Fluharty

Secretary: Ruth Egging

Treasurer: Bob Elsner

Congratulations to all the new officers.

PLANES

Ron Hilger brought his plane that he recovered from the swamp. He had dried it out and recovered it. Looked great.

RAFFLES

Ron Hilger won a set of clamps in the door prize raffle. There was no rollover.

Turkey Raffle: Members that had won turkeys at regular meeting through the year picked up their turkeys. This included **Bob Babyar, Calvin Defenbau, Jeff Peca, and Reeve Wallis**. The remaining turkeys were raffled to members present. Those winners included: **Hassan Dallal, John Janninck, Tom Lyons, Mike Maciejewski, Jim Reed, Ray Rohde, Jim Scahill, and Scott Taylor**. (On a side note, Scott Hurley and Gerald Hurley had both won turkeys at regular meetings. However, because they were absent during the turkey drawing, they did not receive their turkey, so Scott Taylor gave his turkey to Scott Hurley.

NOTICE - Meeting Room Change for January

Due to a room scheduling conflict, our January meeting will be held in the "Computer Room" (conference room C) rather than our normal room, conference

room A/B. So when you pass through the doors on the lower level to the conference rooms, you will need to Zig (turn left) instead of Zag.

Budget Approval at December Meeting

One matter of business that must be conducted at the December meeting to is approve the fiscal budget for 2005. The budget was included in the November

issue of The Transmitter. Please be prepared to cast your vote and bring any questions you have with you.

Committee Chairs and Board to Be Elected at December Meeting

The officer elections are over and it is now time to complete the make up for the rest of the Board. According to our By-Laws, "The Board of Directors shall consist of twelve members, consisting of the current club officers, the prior years officers, the Fun Fly Chariman, the Flight Instructor Chairman, and the Safety Officer Chairman. The balance of the Board is to be elected from the membership of the club." We currently have the following members of the Board, John Howe (former President), Jim Scahill (current President), Scott Hurley (former Vice-president), Orvil Fluharty (current Vice-President), Bob Elsner (Treasurer), Scott Taylor (former Secretary), and Ruth Egging (current Secretary). That totals seven. So, at the next meeting we will

need to elect a Fun Fly Chairman, Flight Instruction Chairman, Safety Chairman, and two additional Board Members. Since the by-laws do not preclude an officer from also assuming a chairman positions, it is possible three or more additional Board Members may be needed. For example, Jim Scahill has said he would consider continuing as the Flight Instruction Chairman (if so elected).

The Board members discussed potential candidates, so will have some suggestions for nominations at the meeting. Please put some of your own thought into nominations for Board and Chair positions, or better yet, consider a position yourself. We will gladly accept volunteers as well as nominations!!

Time to Renew!

If you haven't already done so, the December meeting is a great time to renew your membership for 2005. The renewal fee is currently \$30 for regular members,

\$15 for seniors (65+) and juniors (16-), and additional family members are \$7.50. There will be renewal forms available at the meeting.

The 2004 Year in Review

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January 1st Fun Fly



Building Park Flyers in January



Club Fun Flies



April Static Contest



SPAD Fest



PropMaster/Barnstormer Fun Fly

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