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Coming in December and January

December 12th, Member CHRISTMAS Meeting, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

December 15th, Dome Fun Fly, Members Only, PIZZA & PRIZES!!

December 19th, Board Meeting, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

January 1st, Polar Fun Fly, Pratt's Wayne Woods, 12:00pm (Noon).

January 9th, Member Meeting, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

January 12th, Dome Fun Fly, Members Only, PIZZA & PRIZES!!

January 16th, Board Meeting, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

Bloomingdale Wish Tree Charity Raffle at Christmas Meeting

Well, with the Christmas meeting right around the corner it is the time of year to start planning for the Annual Suburban R/C Barnstormers Wish Tree Raffle for the Bloomingdale Township Wish Tree.

For those of you who are new to the club or have not been present at our Christmas meetings. For the past 7 years our club has been helping the Bloomingdale Township with their wish tree. What this means is Starting in November, I have been contacting a lot of local hobby shops, and manufacturers of anything hobby related asking for donations. I then bring these items to our Christmas meeting and raffle them off with 100% of the proceeds going to purchase Christmas gifts for the children and seniors that would otherwise not have anything for Christmas in the Bloomingdale Township.

Once again, this year if anyone has anything in their basements that they would like to donate to be raffled off, it would be appreciated. We have been very fortunate in past years that the companies we have contacted have been very generous with their donations. So, once again this year I hope we can have the same luck. After doing a project like this each year I see how truly lucky we all are. I know this is early but from our family to yours, have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Thanks Again
Debbie Howe
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First Flight 2006

By David West

Join your fellow Barnstormers for our annual January 1st gathering. Grab your plane and your warmest clothes and get 2006 off to a

flying start. This is not a competition, just fun, flying, and friendship. Be there at Noon for the group photo!

November Fun-Fly Results

By Mert Mischnick

MIKE CANNATA AND PJ McNEICE SWEEP THE DOME!

When it comes to playing 'Seven-Eleven', the Dynamic Duo of **P. J. McNeice and Mike Cannata** were not to be beaten. They persevered through two grueling rounds of some of the toughest, knee aching, fist pounding frustrations yet to be endured, and swept to victory at the November Fun-Fly with a total time of 66 seconds. 15 seconds separated them from the 2nd place team of Dave West & Bob Elsner. In 3rd place was our esteemed president Jim Scahill and partner Skip Carrino who took 101.2 seconds to finish.

Eight two man teams were selected to play "Seven / Eleven". One team member rolls a pair of dice, and the other flies a plane. The clock starts when the team is ready, and the timekeeper says "Roll 'em". The 'Roller' rolls the dice until he rolls a 7. Then he yells 'SEVEN' and the 'Flyer' half of the team takes off to fly in the Dome. The 'Roller' continues to roll the dice until he rolls 11. Then he yells 'ELEVEN' and the flyer must land in the designated area. When the plane stops in the designated area, the clock stops and the time is recorded.

When all the teams have had a chance to score, we start the second round. This time, the 'Flyer' and the 'Roller' change places. At the end, the lowest total time for the two rounds is the winner. It is not difficult to envision the frustration and agony endured by our stalwart competitors. Kneeling down on the hard, cold, concrete and rolling a couple of little bitty dice against the bulkheads of the golf dome 'tee' boards in the middle of the night takes every ounce of fortitude to produce a true champion.

November 17 was the first Fun Fly of the new indoor Dome flying season, and what a party it was! What a turnout, 20 Barnstormers! This is the greatest turnout we have had for any Fun-Fly at the Dome. Keep it up! If all the 'Blue Sticks' we started at the November meeting are flown on one night, we'll have 25 Barnstormers competing at the Dome. Many thanks to all who attended and made this a GREAT NIGHT!!

Least ye forget, Fun-Fly night at the Dome is FREE. Our Fun-Fly started out with a Pizza & Soda bash to nourish the late night flyers, followed by a half hour of "trim flight" flying, then down to the business of the evening...blood and guts competition! Finally, the Flyers 'cooled down' with more free flying.

One observer took videos, and two more observers handled the timekeeping and scorekeeping chores. (Observers here are defined as Barnstormers who came out to support our club activities even though they had no planes to fly)

Note: Jeff Peca lost his Digital camera between the beginning of the Fun-Fly and the time he got home. Notice that there are no Pix of the event. Anyone with any information, please contact Jeff.

The bountiful prize table was enhanced with two 700 mAh LiPo batteries donated by Dan from TrueRC. Ron Hilger and Dave West zeroed in on the LiPo's immediately. Everyone attending the Fun-Fly went home with a prize, a full belly, and memories of a good time.

See you at the Dome next month. Fun-Fly night is FREE, and is the Thursday following the regular Barnstormers meeting.

December Dome Fun Fly

By Jeff Peca

Thursday, December 15, 2005 is the date of our second Funfly of the indoor season. Although we are having problems with the motor packages for the BP12 motor and 15 amp ESC, we are still going to try the pylon racing.

The rules for the race are simple:

1) Any airplane is acceptable. However, if you have a Bluestick or a SlowStick, it is recommended that you use it. The airplane must ROG (Rise Off Ground).

2) Any motor is acceptable but you MUST use a stock, orange, slowly, GWS 10 X 4.7 prop. No exceptions.

3) A 2-cell LiPoly battery must be used.

The course will be set up in a triangle with a pylon on the left side and right side of the flightline and one toward the back of the dome. Each airplane will have a colored streamer to mark the airplane. The race will consist of 10 laps with points deducted for each pylon cut. As with most pylon racing, it is more

important to finish and to have no cuts than to have the fastest plane.

These are ground rules for the indoor racing. Since this is the first time we are trying this in the dome, the rules may need to be changed or modified as

we go. The most important thing is to have fun and participate. Even if you don't plan on racing, come on out and enjoy the company. As with all of our Indoor FunFlies, we will have pizza, raffle prizes and there is no charge to fly!

Blue Foam Build Night

By Bob Elsner

At our November meeting, in addition to raffling off 211 lbs. of turkeys, we built blue foam park flyers. Doing this within the time constraints allotted us by the library was only possible by the fantastic job of prefabrication of the parts by Jeff Peca and Jim Scahill. For those of you who remember when we built them last time, everyone got sheets of blue foam, templates and an x-acto knife and we cut out all the parts ourselves, sanded the bevels for the hinge lines on the rudder and elevator, dihedral for the wing, applied the tape hinge for the rudder and elevator, rolled the wing panels on PVC pipe, etc. All of this was done for us by Jeff and Jim for 25 airplanes. That took a tremendous amount of time and effort all for \$3.00 including material.

THANK YOU JEFF AND JIM FOR YOUR EFFORT AND CONTRIBUTION. IT WAS GREATLY APPRECIATED!!!

Now we just have to mount the servos, radio, etc. and we have a fun slow flying plane. They don't

come any cheaper than this!! And to top it all off, Jeff got a package with a brushless motor AND brushless controller for only \$45.00 from Dan Naumowica who gives us a great price on lypo batteries. If you haven't let Jeff know you want this package, you might want to give him a call or shoot him an email so we can have them at the December meeting.

Mert Mischnick announced that at our December fun fly at the dome, we going to have pylon races with the blue foam planes we built at the meeting. As these planes are almost indestructible, this should be a total blast having a bunch of these in the air at the same time, everybody trying to keep track of which plane is their's. Hint: You might want to get a little creative on decorating your blue foam so you can keep track if it.

THANK YOU AGAIN, JEFF & JIM FOR A REALLY FUN MEETING!!

Notes of the Barnstormers Meeting November 14, 2005

Attendance

Forty-four members were in attendance, which included three new members, Ed Gordon, Rob Martinez and P.J. McNeice., and one visitor, Bill Feil.

Meeting

This meeting started around 6:30 or when members arrived, with building the blue Slow Stick for indoor (dome) flying.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 PM, with the understanding that this will be kept to a minimum due to the lateness of the hour.

Ron Hilger discussed a garage sale that Hugo Mosquera was having. Hugo will be moving to a condominium and needs to sell his airplanes, motors, etc. The garage sale will be Saturday, November 19th at 1409 Armstrong, Elk Grove Village.

Turkeys were distributed to the members that had won during the year. If the member was not present, numbers were drawn to distribute the turkey.

Mert reported that the dome is Open! Thursday night after the meeting is Fun Fly night. There is going to be a raffle, which will be a rotary tool, and any one can win, just like a roll of the dice.

The December Fun Fly will be a Pylon Race with the blue Slow Stick airplanes. Pilots need to distinguish their airplane from someone else's airplane, have a 2-cell battery and a 10/47 prop and brushless motor.

Ruth had a spread sheet of members points earned during the year and wanted everyone to look it over to make sure they are getting credit for events that they participated in.

John Howe discussed the Christmas Raffle

Jim Scahill reminded everyone to bring in treats for the December Christmas meeting.

Merry Christmas to all and hope to see you at the January 1st Fun Fly!

2006 Budget

The New Year is upon us and it is time to decide how you want your club money spent in 2006. Based on expenses over the past few years and requests for funding club activities, a budget has been developed for the coming year. Please review the budget below and be prepared to ask question at the December meeting. If no major revisions are needed, the membership will be asked to vote to approve the proposed budget.

Suburban RC Barnstormers 2006 Budget - Approved By Board 10/23/05

Category	05 Actual	05 Budget	05 Variance	06 Proposed	
	As of 10/23/05				
INCOME:					
Membership	\$ 1,904.00	\$2,000.00	\$ (96.00)	\$ 2,000.00	
Swap Shop	\$ 4,500.73	\$3,800.00	\$ 700.73	\$ 4,090.00	
Misc. Income	\$ 171.81	\$ 50.00	\$ 121.81	\$ 50.00	
Total Income:	\$ 6,576.54	\$5,850.00	\$ 726.54	\$ 6,140.00	
EXPENSE:					
Misc. Copy Expense	\$ 23.20	\$ 20.00	\$ 3.20	\$ 20.00	
Swap Shop/Insurance	\$ 2,282.07	\$2,475.00	\$ (192.93)	\$ 2,475.00	
Library Fees/Insurance	\$ 225.00	\$ 260.00	\$ (35.00)	\$ 260.00	
Pre-Paid Library Fees		\$ (130.00)		\$ -	
Newsletter	\$ 467.28	\$ 720.00	\$ (252.72)	\$ 700.00	12 @ \$58
Meeting Door Prizes	\$ 69.95	\$ 200.00	\$ (130.05)	\$ 165.00	See meeting note
Raffles	\$ 316.57	\$1,400.00	\$(1,083.43)	\$ 1,210.00	See raffle note
Static Prizes	\$ 122.38	\$ 150.00	\$ (27.62)	\$ 150.00	
Fun-Fly Food/Supplies	\$ 47.03	\$ 250.00	\$ (202.97)	\$ 550.00	See fun-fly note
Field Permits/Fees/Insurance	\$ 305.00	\$ 305.00	\$ -	\$ 305.00	
Pre-Paid Field Permit Fees		\$ (105.00)		\$ -	
Safety	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ (50.00)	\$ 50.00	
Instruction	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ (50.00)	\$ 50.00	
AMA Charter Fee	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ -	\$ 30.00	
Club Fuel Order	\$ 18.50	\$ -	\$ 18.50	\$ -	
Giant Scale Fun-Fly	\$ 156.70	\$ 100.00	\$ 56.70	\$ 100.00	2 @ \$50
Misc. Expense	\$ 83.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 75.00	
Total Expenses:	\$ 4,146.68	\$5,850.00	\$(1,938.32)	\$ 6,140.00	
Net Profit/Loss:	\$ 2,429.86	\$ -	\$ 2,664.86	\$ -	

Meeting Door Prizes:

11 meetings X \$15/meeting

Raffles:

6 dome & 5 field @ \$50 +
\$160 turkeys + \$500 Xmas

Fun-Fly Food/Supplies:

11 Fun-Flys @ \$50

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