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Coming in February and March

February 14th, Member Meeting, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

February 28th, Board Meeting, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

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March 26th, Swap Shop, Dupage County Fairgrounds, Wheaton

March 28th, Board Meeting, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

Barnstormers Dome Fun Fly - January 13, 2005

by Mert Mischnick

What kind of competition do you have for a Fun Fly in a Golf Dome? Aero-Golf, of course!

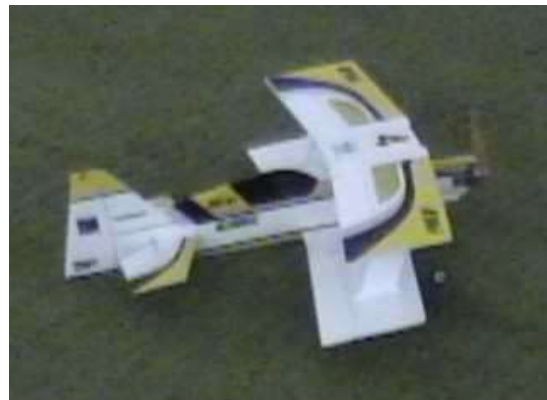
We had 9 club members present to take advantage of the special \$5.00 Dome fee and try their luck at Aero-Golf. It works like this: You fly your plane for a bomb drop, the golf hole pin being the target. You replace the "bomb" with a golf ball, then you putt, or chip, or whatever the ball into the hole with a golf club. The drop is the first stroke, and all subsequent strokes are counted for your score. If you crashed during the drop, the location of the "bomb" was the drop site. (The one who did this will remain nameless to protect the guilty.)

As usual, Jeff Peca was right on the mark with his bomb drop, but his putt, putting must have stayed with his glow engine because his two hole total of 7 was beat by not one, but three superior bomber/golfers! It was a three-way tie for first with a two-hole total of 6 strokes for Ron Hilger, Steve Wolski, and Mert Mischnick.

A "sudden death" fly off using Ron Hilger's Slo-Stick with a mechanical bomb drop (the

only mechanical drop in the competition) was used to determine the winner. **Steve Wolski was No.1**, Mert Mischnick was second, and the owner/designer/most experienced with the plane used ... Ron Hilger was third. Proving once again that no amount of skill, planning or dexterity will replace dumb luck.

Our Fun Fly raffle had a "Shock Flyer" 3D electric kit won by John Wolski and a wide assortment of R/C goodies. As per usual at our Fun Flies, everyone won a prize in the raffle, and everyone had a super time. Next time, maybe YOU will have bragging rights! Come out to the Dome any Thursday, Friday, or Saturday and see what this indoor electric flying is all about.



Notes of the Barnstormers Meeting

January 10, 2005

ATTENDANCE

Thirty members were in attendance. Among those members were new members **Lenn Hann, Darryl Hedges, David Klassman** and **Ed Wonnacott**. Visitors included **Bill Feil** and **Joe Landgraf**.

OFFICER REPORTS

President: Jim Scahill wants to start out the New Year right and make this a fun year for the club. He also thanked Debbie Howe for running the Bloomingdale Wish Tree raffle. She has been doing an excellent job of this for approximately 8 years now. The club and members generously donated \$950 plus food and toys.

Vice President: Orvil Fluharty discussed the door prize, which was a glow starter with charger, it was later won by Jerry Jeske. Orvil also discussed the rollover prize, which was generously donated by His and Hers Hobbies from Kenosha, Wisconsin. Bill, from His and Hers Hobbies joined our meeting tonight, but stated that he did not bring the rollover prize with him.

Secretary: Ruth Egging asked for the club's indulgence while learning the names that go with the faces.

Treasurer: Bob Elsner discussed the budget and stated that the club has \$1,593. The rollover prize was set up to be self funding and not included in the budget. The club was \$14 ahead for doughnuts and coffee.

COMMITTEES

Fun Fly: Steve Wolski is putting the events together for the year and will be reporting on them as the events get closer.

Flight Instruction: Jim Scahill said he would start instruction some time in May.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Swap Shop: John and Debbie Howe gave a brief description of the swap shop for new members, tables are \$15 if you pre-register. Vendors are welcome as soon as the doors are open. The club will have a table and there will be coffee and doughnuts for sale. Will need volunteers for set up, take down, manning the club table, selling coffee and doughnuts. Also security, i.e., stamping attendees hands, helping to carry items to the tables, selling raffle tickets, etc.

Thanksgiving Turkey Raffle: It was voted that a name would be drawn at each meeting for the raffle, as was done last year. Jim Scahill was the winner this month.

Christmas Raffle: Discussion lead to what the Board of Directors discussed in their last meeting where members would be awarded a ticket or a point when they attended club events, such as meetings, fun flies, swap shop or submit a newspaper article. This will give a member a better chance to win early at the Christmas raffle, however, everyone will win a prize at the Christmas raffle. This was passed by the majority.

How it will work:

A point will be awarded to a member when they participate one of the following events:

Attend a monthly meeting

Participate in a Fun Fly

Participate in the Swap Shop

Submit an original newspaper article

The Fun Fly Chairman, Swap Shop Chairperson(s), and Editor will notify the Secretary of a member's participation in each event. Attendance will be taken from the attendance sheet from each meeting.

Prior to the Christmas raffle the points will be tallied up for each member and a ticket will be awarded for each point. More points, more tickets, better chance to win early, more/better prizes to choose from.

So ... make sure you are included in each event you participate in!!!

Bensenville Golf Dome: Thursday, January 13th is a Fun Fly event at the golf dome. Mert arranged to have the admission to be just \$5 per person (normally \$10 per person). It was also discussed that Thursday night will be for members only at the golf dome. The majority passed this as well.

Raffle prizes: Prize raffles were discussed and a motion was made and carried that \$75 will be available for raffles at each of the 6 Fun Fly's.

ENTERTAINMENT:

Bill from "His and Hers Hobbies" gave a presentation on electric flight, which included everything from batteries and motors to airplanes. This presentation was informative and beneficial. Bill's new store is located at 2051 22nd Ave. in Kenosha, WI and he flies at the dome, if someone would like their order delivered. He does both electric and gas RC hobbies. Bill stated that he keeps track of customers and their clubs and has a "Club Rebate" program. He can be reached at bill@his-hershobbies.com and the website is www.his-hershobbies.com.

PLANES

Tom Lyons showed a 3D fun fly type plane and **Ron Hilger** had two new foam electric planes.

'Lectric RC Corner

by Skip Carrino
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New to the hobby? Want to fly 'lectric power model airplanes? How 'bout a docile slowflyer or a speeding bullet? How 'bout a plane that will fly like a very large hummingbird darting around, up, down, sideways and ever hovering in place? Nope, not talking 'bout a helicopter and no Lois, it is not a model of Superman. For the newbie to the hobby, the type of plane that will give you the best chance to be a successful pilot and let you advance to the type of pilot you wish to be is a 'lectric motor driven airplane. I realize this is the type of statement that will get me burned at the stake doused with an ample supply of nitro fuel. I can see the dry smoke coming out ears of the purist element in the hobby. The simple fact is, that now, when models and all the related equipment have improved, and will only continue to be improved, have reached a point where success is almost a given. Of course we will

have to spend the effort to learn. Fortunately, one of the best ways to learn: **JOIN A CLUB, JOIN A CLUB, JOIN A CLUB !!!** Where else can you take advantage of hundreds of years of flying experience in the hobby, but from club members who have been there and done that and the price!!, such a bargain, even less when you become a member of the "Ole Goats". I know, got there.

Next month, if I survive the burning at the stake, and the editor will allow, I would like you to take a trip with me (the ole goat) and my 11 year old grandson Patrick (or PK for short, my daughter will not let me call him Pat), to the hobby shop. I'll let you know in my opinion, what I believe to be the easiest for both he and I to purchase, to learn, and enjoy this great hobby.

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March 26th 2005

8:00 AM thru 12:00 PM

Table Set Up and Check In at 7:15 AM

General Admission at 8:00 AM

Planes – Boats – Cars – Helicopters – and More

Held at the DuPage County Fair Grounds

Tables \$15 pre-registered - \$20 at door

One Adult admission with each table

Admission Adults \$5 - Children under 12 Free

Coffee – Donuts – Pop Available

Raffle Prizes:

First Prize: \$100.00

Second Prize: \$75.00

Third Prize: \$50.00

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