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Coming in May June

May 8th, Club Meeting, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

May 21st, Fun-Fly # 1, Pratt's Wayne Woods. 9:00am pre-flights, 10:00am first flights

June 11th, Giant Scale Fun-Fly, Pratt's Wayne Woods.

June 12th, Club Meeting, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

June 16-18th, *** SPAD Fest (Rantoul, IL) ***

June 25th, Fun-Fly # 2, Pratt's Wayne Woods. 9:00am pre-flights, 10:00am first flights

Dome Fun Fly Finale

By Mert Mischnick

We did it again, for the 6th and final fun fly of the season at the Bensenville Dome. Did What? Sixteen Barnstormers had a suuuuper time again, that's what. Enjoyable, electric, excitement. Fun, frolic, and flying. Pizza, prizes, and propellers.

Tom Lyons and **Jeff Peca** put on one super Pylon Race. This one was by popular demand, as a result of the fun we had with pylon racing in the Dome on previous occasions. It is great to have a standing start, and on signal, 4 or 5 planes head for the first pylon, or Dome wall, whichever comes first. As tightly as the planes are packed, there is surprising control with a minimum of mid-air contact. One thing about the Dome flying, the planes are all super simple, easy to repair, and cheap to replace if you should happen to wreck the whole thing in a mid-air, or lose an argument with the concrete under the astro-turf.

The bragging rights this month go to...Three, count them, 1-2-3 hot shot racing pilots, all tied for first with 20 points!

P. J. McNeice
Scott Hurley
Jeff Peca

There was no run-off, as Scott was flying Jeff's Blue Stick, making it impossible to fly at the same time. So... a three way tie it is. By the way, this is the second time in a row that P.J. was at the top of the list of winners in the Pylon race.



Congratulations to all the winners, best of luck next time to the 'also rans'. Support the Barnstormer outside activities this summer at Pratts-Wayne, then come back to the Dome for more fun in November.

April Static Contest Results

By Scott Taylor

For all to view was wonderful display of craftsmanship and imagination. Thanks to all the participants of the April Static competition. Please see the winners below. Ralph Niedzwiecki took the prize for best (and only) SPAD Pylon racer.



Giant Scale Winners – left to right, Ron Hilger, 2nd Place; Charlie Baxa, 1st Place



Under 40 Winners – left to right, Ron Hilger, 1st; David Klassman, 5th; Jerry Jeske, 6th; Mike Cannata, 4th; Mert Mischnick, 3rd; Scott Hurley, 2nd



40 Plus Winners – left to right, Ron Hilger, 3rd, Jerry Jeske, 4th; Steve Dietrich, 2nd; Tom McAvoy, 5th; Jeff Mrachek, 1st



ARF Winners – left to right, Joe Eskert, 1st; Steve Dietrich, 4th; Tom Lyons, 3rd; Willie Janisch, 2nd

Fun Fly # 1

By Dave West

Our outdoor Fun-Fly season begins on Sunday, May, 21st. Be sure to mark your calendar.

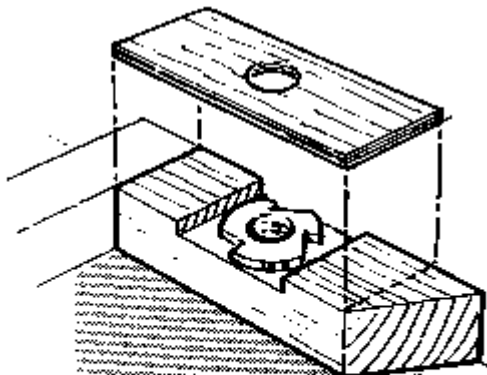
The event will be a "Pylon Racing Warm-up". Don't let the name scare you. The event is open to any kind of plane and pilots of any skill level.

Flying a consistent, tight, and steady course is just as important as speed in pylon racing. This event measures consistency. Here's how it will work: Two pylon poles will be set up, one at each end of the field. Each pilot will fly 5 laps around the poles. We will time your second and fourth lap. Your score will be your fourth

lap time divided by your second lap time. The pilot with a ratio closest to one (the most consistent times) will win! Pilots will fly one at a time and absolute speed does not matter – so bring any plane you like and join the fun!

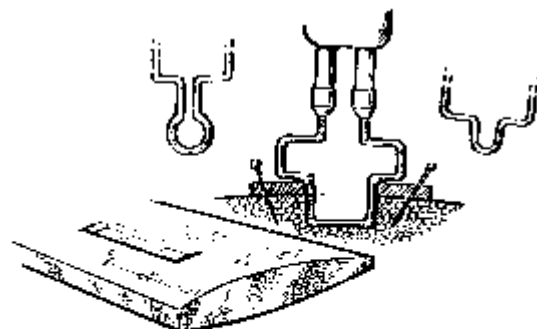
The event will start promptly at 10:00 am. Make sure you get to the field early enough to get in a trim flight and be ready to fly by then. Lunch is provided and a prize drawing will be held for all club members who fly or help out.

After lunch we will have our first single-design pylon race of the year. Bring your club SPAD racer!



Blind nuts have been known to fall out inside the structure. Recess as shown, then glue $\frac{1}{8}$ -inch ply plate over the top to capture the nut. Sketch shows wing strut attachment.

Herb Collins, Hewitt, New Jersey



An old technique but worth repeating for newcomers: recesses and slots for landing gear blocks and pushrods are easily and cleanly cut in foam cores with a soldering gun and cutters which are bent from $\frac{3}{32}$ -inch diameter copper or brass wire. Wood strips pinned to the core act as guides and depth gauges. *David Rincon, Bogota, Columbia*

Notes of the Barnstormers Meeting

March 13, 2006

Attendance

Forty members were in attendance, and two visitors, which were David Baker and John Cacciatore.

Officer Reports

President: Jim Scahill called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Jim announced the door prize tonight is a prop reamer.

Secretary: Ruth Egging handed out the membership cards. If some members have not received their membership card and have paid for 2006, we are working on getting those out to members.

Committees

Dome Flying: Jeff Peca announced the all night fun fly at the dome. He was lining up sponsors so the cost to club members would be reduced. He recommended that the cost to pilots would be \$15 and spectators and season pass holders \$5. The events were being finalized to keep pilots awake and interested. Prizes for this fun fly would include an orbital sander, screw drives, pliers, and a drummel tool, and more.

Flight Instruction: Jim Scahill announced that flight instruction would be from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM on Sundays. But pilots wishing instruction should call him to arrange other times should they want additional training.

Safety: Mike Cannata said he had been out at the field and it was very nicely done.

Old/New Business:

Static Contest: The static contest will be held at the next meeting and the categories for the contest will be Giant Scale, Over 40, 40 and under, and ARF.

Spad Fest: Scott Hurley was working on the insurance, but was going as scheduled. Spad Fest will be held on July 15, 16, and 17.

Miscellaneous:

It was noted that Skip Carrino had a triple by-pass and had been in the hospital.

Scott Hurley had heard that the slope was supposed to be open this year and recommended that the club have an event there this year.

The feature of the evening was Frank Bernstein from Al's Hobby Shop. He discussed pricing, discounts and the club rebate program from Al's Hobby Shop. Very interesting

Brad Dean won the Turkey
Mike Cannata won the door prize and
John Krygier won the roll over prize

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM

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