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Coming in June and July

June 1st through June 3rd, Spad Fest, Des Moines, Iowa

June 10th, Giant Scale FF #1, Pratt's Wayne Woods, 9:00am

June 11th, Club Member Meeting, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

June 24th, Fun Fly # 2, Pratt's Wayne Woods, 9:00am Trim Flights, 10:00am Start

July 9th, Club Member Meeting, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

July 15th, Fun Fly # 3, Pratt's Wayne Woods, 9:00am Trim Flights, 10:00am Start

Fun-Fly #1 – May 20th, 2007

By Mert Mischnick

Everybody is always a winner at a Barnstormers fun-fly. The turnout was terrific and the weather stayed decent until the meet was over. As you can see by the new windsock, the wind was mild, in the 10 to 15 mph range. Behind the windsock, you can see that the new run-up stands can support the weight of at least one person.



Chef Himie Scahill exercised his culinary magic and created delectable tubular steak, garnished with mustard and relish served on

outdoor dinner rolls. Ice-cold soda and ripple chips completed the ensemble of tasty tidbits. Good job. Thanks Jim.

Jeff Peca did a super job of playing CD in the absence of Scott Hurley, who had to beg off. Jeff bought the prizes and organized the whole day at the field. Thanks for a job well done, Jeff.

The challenge de jour was two-fold. First, two rounds of Wiffle ball bounce, where you take off towing a 4 inch waffle ball at the end of a thirty foot string, then make three laps and attempt to bounce the ball, not the plane, in a thirty foot square box marked on the field, on each lap. Land on the next lap, with the wheels touching inside the same marked box, with the motor running. Points were awarded for each successful bounce of the waffle ball, as well as the spot landing. From the looks of the score sheet, most of us need LOTS of practice!

Next on the agenda was the 'Timed flight'. It is up to the pilot to try to guess when exactly one

minute has elapsed. Timers start when the wheels leave the ground, and stop when the wheels touch the ground. We had one time spot-on at 60 seconds (super), and one at 2 minutes and 28 seconds (ouch). Heckling was encouraged. Your Vice President (Steve Dietrich) was at the high grass line coming in for his landing with the clock at 57 seconds, when one judge (Mert) said to the other judge (Ed Wonnacot) in a little louder than normal voice: "He's coming in early". At this, said contestant, Steve, promptly made two, not one, but two circles to purposely delay his landing. His time, instead of about 59 seconds, is recorded at one minute and 28 seconds. Heckling works! Beware of any sound from anyone when you are flying a mentally timed flight. It is all in fun, and we have lots of fun.

As usual, the prize table was overflowing with goodies. Jeff had \$200.00 to spend, and the prizes he bought included a new Ball Bearing OS 40 engine, fuel pumps, fuel, glow starter, props, wheels, etc., etc. Dave West and Dan Naumowicz sweetened the pot with donations of a "How Fast" speed recorder and LiPo batteries. Tom McAvoy won the OS 40 Engine, which was one of the "Mystery Prizes" in one of two plain boxes. Tom also took a 'Mystery Prize" at the Dome, and won the Spectrum 6100 Receiver. Not every "Mystery Prize" is a showerhead.

Another fun time at a fun fly. Thanks again to Jeff, Jim, and the other volunteers who made this fun-fly successful.

Samples of Jackets and Shirts for Club Purchase



62952 Weatherproof Microfiber Zip-off Sleeve Windshirt — 6105

81% polyester/19% nylon 3.65 ounce five times sandwashed microfiber windshirt. Breathable mesh liner, inner collar and underarm detail. Sleeves zip off to convert to a short sleeve windshirt. 1/2 zip placket. Front pockets. Elastic waist and cuffs.
Colors: Black, Caribe Blue, Mango, Navy, Serene Green, Stone, Sunrise, Sunset.
Adult: S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL.

63952 Weatherproof Ladies' Microfiber Zip-off Sleeve Windshirt — W530

85% polyester/15% nylon 3.65 ounce five times sandwashed microfiber ladies' windshirt. Breathable mesh liner. Sleeves zip off to convert to a short sleeve windshirt. Front pockets. Hidden 1/2 zip placket. Open bottom with bangle cord. Front piping detail that gives the garment a slender look. **Colors:** Black, Caribe Blue, Mango, Navy, Serene Green, Stone, Sunrise, Sunset. **Ladies:** S, M, L, XL, 2XL.

60452 Weatherproof Microfiber Fleece Lined Jacket — 1906

80% polyester/20% nylon 7.65 ounce five times sand washed microfiber classic fit silhouette jacket. Thermal fleece lining with quilting in the sleeves. Exclusive Lining Saver System™ allows the outer shell to be unlined without changing the jacket lining. Front slash pockets. Hidden hood built in the collar. Elastic cuffs and waist. **Colors:** Black, Navy, Willow. **Adult:** S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL.



11035 JERZEES 50/50

Jersey Sport Shirt — J300

50% cotton/50% polyester 5.6 ounce jersey knit sport shirt. Well collar and cuffs. Three woodline buttons with a W reinforced box on a clean finished placket. Taped neck.
Neutris: White, Heather, Black, Oxford. **Color:** Black, Pant Orange, Deep Purple, Forest Green, Gold, Light Blue, Maroon, True Navy, True Red, True Royal.
Adult: S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL, 5XL.

NOTES OF SUBURBAN RC BARNSTORMERS MEMBERSHIP MEETING

May 14, 2007

ATTENDANCE

There were 29 members present.

OFFICER REPORTS

President: Mert Mischnick presided over the proceedings of the meeting.

Vice President: Steve Dietrich said our door prize would be a copy of our Bill Coons new book, "Shoot Only at the Red Airplane!", who will be our presenter this evening. Our rollover prize for the evening would be an OS .46 AX engine along with a talon SPAD from Plastic Concept Planes.

Treasurer: Bob Elsner reported that the Fair Grounds had refunded \$469 for unused tables and chairs which gave us a final income from the Swap Shop as \$1932.

Bob also said that all field permits have been paid. The Forest Preserve will be dropping the chain for all field events and vehicles will be allowed to drive down the path. But the vehicles must not leave the path or turn around on the grass. Canopies will also be permitted on the field, but will be limited in size.

Secretary: Scott Taylor said that the plaques from the April meeting were not ready yet, but should be available at the June meeting. So, if your plane placed in one of the top 3 places, please come by to get your plaques.

Scott also gave details for several upcoming events in the area.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Wind Sock: Mert Mischnick reported that the new wind has been installed and is now flapping in the wind

Club Clothing: Mert showed some of the articles of clothing that are available for purchase with the new logo embroidered on them. Among the items Mert had with him were a jacket, polo style shirts, and hats. The

logo will currently cost \$14 to have embroidered regardless of the article of clothing. Our design has about 18,000 stitches, which is one of the reasons for the cost. The jacket Mert showed was selling for \$46.97, the shirt \$10.68, and the hat \$8.54. Of course, it would \$14 additional for the logo. You can also have your name added for an additional \$2.

Some of the colors available for the jackets are Navy, Sea Green, Sunset, Olive, Mango, Blue Black, and Stone.

ENTERTAINMENT

We were very lucky to have present, **Bill Coons**, author of the new book, "Shoot Only at the Red Airplane!", which is discusses the history of early remote controlled drones used up through World War II.

Bill gave a great PowerPoint presentation that included many of the photographs shown in the book. Along with the pictures, Bill shared his own experience as an Aviation Radio Operator during World War II where he assisted in the operation of the RC drones.

PLANES

Jeff Peca showed a new version of the flying Porche SPAD to the members. Jeff hopes to be flying this model at SPAD Fest.

Mike Cannata showed the club his new Electrify Ultimate Bi-plane. This looks like a good flyer.

Dave West has a new product called the "How Fast" which he showed installed on a Cox electric Spitfire. This is a miniature pitot tube along with the electronics needed to record a number of speeds through a flight and then report them back.

PRIZES

Tom McAvoy was the winner of a Thanksgiving turkey. **Elmer Heifert** took home an autographed copy of Bill Coons new book.

Photos of Flyers at the Field on Memorial Day

Photos by Ed Wonnacott



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