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Coming in March and April

March 10th, Dome All Nighter, 11:00pm – 5:00am, White Pines Golf Dome

March 12th, Club Member Meeting, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

March 15th, Dome Fun Fly, 11:00pm – 1:00am, White Pines Golf Dome

March 26th, Board Meeting, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

April 7th, Swap Shop, Dupage County Fairgrounds

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

April 12th, Dome Fun Fly, 11:00pm – 1:00am, White Pines Golf Dome

April 23rd, Board Meeting, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

March Raffle – Electric Mini-Ultra Stick

This month's raffle will get you in the air quick! This is a Plug N' Play (PNP) version of the E-flite Mini Ultra Stick ARF. The Mini Ultra Stick PNP is ideal for those transitioning into aerobatic park flyers but do not want a higher performance 3D airplane. The servos, outrunner motor, and 22A brushless ESC are factory-installed to allow for quick assembly time to get you flying fast!



Here are some of the features...

- Four sub-micro servos, brushless outrunner motor, and 22A brushless ESC already installed
- Control surfaces have factory-installed hinges and control horns already attached to minimize prep time
- A brushless motor at 890Kv that comes factory-installed to provide excellent sport power and save pilots time

- Bolt-on tail that requires no gluing and secures with two lock nuts to save you time in getting to the flying field
- Constructed of lightweight balsa and light-ply that helps the plane perform incredibly well due to lighter weight and sound construction
- Tough, lightweight aluminum landing gear is already assembled and tall enough to accommodate larger prop sizes
- Quad-flap option allows pilots to expand the flight envelope
- Easy battery access with magnetic-secured hatch
- UltraCote covering is durable and functions well



Squares for the raffle cost \$1 each and members can purchase an unlimited number of squares. This radio has a street price of \$350, so don't miss your chance to win one for just a few dollars!

Dome Fun Fly - Thursday March 15th

By Ron Hilger

The event at the next Dome Fun Fly will be Cat and Mouse. This is the flying version of the classic cartoon Tom & Jerry. The Blue Stick mouse will tow two 10" streamers. The four Cats will go for the streamers and will get one point for each cut. The Mouse will be advanced five points. This will be a team event, Cats against the Mice. The points from

all rounds will be tallied to determine the winner. Plan on at least two rounds, aircraft willing!

The grab table will have four Cox war birds, three mystery prizes and a bunch of other good stuff. Don't miss it!

2007 Fuel Order

By Bob Elsner

Once again Al's is having a fuel sale. I'll take orders at the March & April meetings with delivery at the May meeting. If you order fuel, please come to the May meeting to pick it up so I'm not hauling it to meetings all summer. We have to order it by the case (4 gallons) but you can purchase it in one gallon quantities and get the discounted case price. Because we can only order in full cases, if I have an order for 1, 2 or 3 gallons of a brand/nitro content, I'll try and round it up with the club purchasing the additional gallons for raffles, etc. as I did last year. That seemed to work well as all the extra fuel was sold. You won't

need to pay for it until you pick it up at the May meeting. **Bob Elsner – Treasurer**

Cool Power or Omega	Regular Price	5 Case Price	12 Cases or More
10%	\$ 12.99	\$10.99	\$ 10.79
15%	\$ 14.99	\$12.09	\$ 11.79
Wildcat			
10%	\$ 13.99	\$10.79	\$ 10.59
10% Extra	\$ 13.99	\$10.99	\$ 10.69
15%	\$ 14.99	\$12.49	\$ 12.09
15% Extra	\$ 14.99	\$12.69	\$ 12.29

Notes of the Membership Meeting

February 12, 2007

ATTENDANCE

There were no new members or visitors at this meeting.

OFFICER REPORTS

President: Mert Mischnick said Mark Spencer of the Forest Preserve mentioned the wind sock at the field was gone. **Ed Wonnacott** said he had a new one he would be taking to the field soon. Thanks Ed!

Vice President: Steve Dietrich said the door prize for the evening would be a micro helicopter. The rollover prize, which will be taken home tonight, is a Spektrum DX-7 radio. Wow!

Treasurer: Bob Elsner reported that we have \$6392 in the bank. Recent payments were made for the State Annual Report and insurance for the Forest Preserve and swap (at the Fairgrounds). Bob also said he submitted

the meeting schedule to the library for the rest of the year.

Secretary: Scott Taylor reminded everyone that membership cards are mailed in the newsletter. So, if you normally don't get a hard copy, don't throw it away, your card may be inside!

Scott also reminded members, the next newsletter will be the last for members that have not renewed.

COMMITTEES

Fun-Fly: Ron Hilger said the event for the fun fly on Thursday (the 2/15/07) would be a pylon race. There will be two categories, one for 2-cell planes and one for 3-cell. No limitations on props or motors. The past fun-fly's have been very well attended, so the pizzas is being "upped" to six pies! There will be a raffle for all participants with some great prizes.

Safety: Tom Lyons said he recent checked the fire extinguisher at the field and it is overdue for replacement.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Meeting Room Change: Bob Elsner said that due to remodeling at the library, rooms would not be available during July and August. For those two meetings, we will need to find an alternate location. Some suggested a field meeting.

Dome Flying: Jeff Peca went over the details of the "Dome eNighter". They would be purchasing a couple of extra tables and an additional wireless microphone. Jeff would like the volunteers to meet early to discuss preparations and go over details. If anyone can distribute flyers, he has copies to send home with members. The raffle for the event would be another DX-7 Spektrum radio. Mert suggested it might be possible to sell raffle tickets in advance of the event to increase participation.

New Logo and Clothing: Mert Mischnick brought several articles of clothing to show members and to get an idea of what they might be interested in. He had a light jacket with knit cuffs and collar. The jacket was zippered, had pockets, and was made of a waterproof micro fiber material that was very soft. In addition to the jacket, Mert had two knit shirts, one that was one solid color and another with contrasting collar and cuffs. Everyone seemed to like the contrasting shirt. There seems to be something new in tee shirts. Mert had a tee shirt with a logo that was pressed on, but made of a new material very similar to the micro fiber. Last but not least was a hat with a non-ventilated style and pressed logo (not ours!).

This of course, brought us to the logo itself, since we can't order items until the logo has been selected. Several ideas for a new logo were submitted. Among the submitters, were

Scott and Jessi Stampfli, William Feil, and Keith Egging. Logos ranged from similar to the existing logo up through comical. Keith was very busy and had multiple ideas including ideas with barns, "wings", and clouds.

Although not an official entry, PJ McNiece brought in a plaque that had been laser cut with a slightly modified version of our current logo, which looked very nice.

There was much discussion on the designs and members were divided. Some wanted to maintain many of the traditional elements of our current logo, others wanting to give our logo a completely new and updated look. It was decided to delay making a decision until the next meeting so members could ponder the logo ideas. Also, members not attending will be able to view the designs in the next newsletter and by email. Any new submittals or changes to the presented designs will be passed along to the members for review prior to the next meeting. *(Ed. See logo article in this newsletter)*

SPAD Fest: Scott Hurley briefly recapped the SPAD Fest details. Scott would like to see a good turn out from our club. SPAD Fest will be held in DeMoines, Iowa on June 1st through the 3rd.

HINTS AND KINKS

Keith Egging did a silent demonstration showing how you can remove the shrink-wrap from containers such as single serving milk bottles and then use them for modeling purposes, such as battery packs. The material used had an incredible shrink ratio.

PRIZES

Ron Hilger was the winner of a Thanksgiving turkey. **John Krygier** won the micro helicopter door prize. **Glen LaRocco** took home the Spectrum DX-7 raffle prize!

Dome eNighter – Saturday March 10th

Don't miss the Dome eNighter this Saturday, March 10th, from 11:00pm until 5:00am. There will be lots of flying, demonstrations, vendors, food, raffle prizes and more! See the neatest

planes, best pilots, and rare opportunities (like flying lights out!). (Volunteers, see you there at 9:00pm!) For additional information, contact Jeff Peca at 630-305-0018.

New Logo – You Decide!

Several members put a lot of work into ideas for a new logo. Entries were submitted by Scott and Jessi Stampfli, William Feil, Keith Egging, and Dan Naumowicz. Some members submitted multiple entries and variations. Take a look and give your choice some thought. You will be wearing and displaying this logo for many years to come! Please note these have been intentionally reproduced a bit on the small side to give a feel for readability (and save space!).

First up were a couple of entries from Bill Feil. These are the same logo with one in black and white, and the other color. Bill says the number of colors can be changed and/or reduced.



Next up is an entry from Scott and Jessi Stampfli. This logo has many of the elements of our current logo but is updated and has larger text.



Keith Egging was very busy trying out different approaches. Keith is a source of endless ideas and some of them are below! (NOTE: Keith also has an upright text version of the "wings" logos, but these were not received in time for publication.)



Finally, Dan Naumowicz, after getting input from several members, came up with this idea. It keeps our classic bi-plane artwork but incorporates larger text and new features.



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