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## **Coming in March and April**

March 9<sup>th</sup>, Member Meeting, Bloomingdale Public Library, 7:00pm  
March 12<sup>th</sup>, Dome Fun Fly, White Pines Golf Course, Bensenville, 11:00pm-1:00am  
March 14<sup>th</sup>, DOME ALL NIGHTER, White Pines Golf Course, Bensenville, 11:00pm-5:00am  
March 23<sup>rd</sup>, Board Meeting, Bloomingdale Public Library, 7:00pm

April 11<sup>th</sup>, Swap Shop, Dupage County Fairgrounds, Wheaton, 8:00am – 12:00pm  
April 13<sup>th</sup>, Member Meeting (STATIC CONTEST), Bloomingdale Public Library, 7:00pm  
April 16<sup>th</sup>, Dome Fun Fly, White Pines Golf Course, Bensenville, 11:00pm-1:00am  
April 27<sup>th</sup>, Board Meeting, Bloomingdale Public Library, 7:00pm

## **Dome E-Niter – March 14<sup>th</sup>**

*By Stan Walden*

Our Dome E-Niter is coming up in two weeks, Saturday night, March 14. We're hoping to have yet another great (and profitable) event, perhaps breaking December's 87 pilots!

We will have some limited food on hand, soda, and of course, flying! Time slots will be given for special activities such as "lights out", helicopters, combat, etc. Flying will run from 11:00pm until 5:00am.

The cost for flying all night with a snack and drinks included will cost you \$15. If you just want to watch (and eat), the price is \$5.

Volunteers are truly what make the E-Niter run smoothly, so Jeff Peca and Stan Warden are looking for salvation again in the form of folks to set-up, monitor and do tear-down. If you can help, please give me a call at 630-654-8476 or you can email me at [frenchstan@att.net](mailto:frenchstan@att.net).

Also, we need to beg/borrow a bunch of those folding tables for vendors and such. Let Stan know if you have some or can borrow some tables. We don't even have to unload all the tables, just so we have a good, solid count of how many are available, even if some stay in our cars in the parking lot that night.

We also need help distributing posters (flyers) to hobby shops, clubs and distant flying sites, particularly those on the outskirts of our region. If you are going on a less-than 100 mile sojourn in the next 10 days or so, take some E-Niter and "Swap-Til-You-Drop" posters with you.

Then, when you visit those far-flung hobby shops and fields, you can talk up our event.

Any questions? Give me a call!

**Stan Warden**

# **February / March Fun Flies**

By Ron Hilger

## **February Fun Fly-Report**

We broke another attendance record. Thirty-five Barnstormers showed up for the event and most all took a shot at landing on the pitching deck of AMA 17. Scott Stampfli piloting a trusty blue stick won the event by a very slim margin. For his outstanding performance he was awarded an easy button. We had a lot of laughs and as always all that attended walked away with a full tummy and a free raffle prize.

## **March Fun Fly Streamer Combat / Helicopter Hop Scotch**

The streamer will be ten foot long and you can attach it at any location on the plane. To keep it simple pilots will line up along the pits with their ribbons attached and ready to fly. When it's your turn you will step up to the flight line. I plan on sending eight planes in the air at a time to do battle for five minutes. If your streamer is cut, land immediately you are out of the competition. If you are still in the air with ribbon intact, land and go to the back of the line. We will continue this process until we have a winner.

## **Helicopter Hop Scotch**

Five two-foot squares will be taped out on the floor similar to the game of hopscotch. One at a time the pilots will take off and land within the squares as fast as possible. The helicopter landing skids must be within the square to score. This will be a timed event.

## **Gambler Option added to the Free Raffle**

When your number is drawn you can select a prize from the table as in the past or you can choose the gambler option. If you choose the gambler option you will roll the dice twice. If you roll matching numbers you win the Spectrum radio. If not you lose and you also forfeit your chance to select a prize from the table. If the Spectrum is not won it will be carried over to the next fun fly.

## **Top Prize's**

Spectrum DX 5 E- gamblers option  
Iakrus Shock Flyer with motor  
Flying Bird kits (5)  
Flying Rocket  
And much more

*Ron*

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## **Notes of the Suburban RC Barnstormers Membership Meeting**

February 9, 2009

### **ATTENDANCE**

There were 40 members present.

### **OFFICER REPORTS**

**President: Mert Mischnick** presided over the meeting. Mert reported that [Stan Warden](#) had a 5 drawer file cabinet that was looking for a new home and free for the taking. Please let Stan know if you are interested.

**Vice President: Mike Maciejewski** was absent.

**Treasurer: Bob Elsner** reported that he had nothing special to report.

**Secretary: Scott Taylor** said that the raffle prize for the evening would be a sharp embroidered

Barnstormer cap. The rollover prize was a \$150 gift certificate from Venture Hobbies.

Scott also talked about nametags for new members. We were a little behind in making tags, but one of our members has stepped up to the plate. Ed Perez has a sign making business and will be able to cut our nametags with no increase in price to our members! Thanks Ed! And don't forget to see Ed if you need any signs.

Scott reminded members that they would not be receiving the March newsletter by mail if they had not renewed their membership. The electronic version will continue to be delivered for now, but membership is required to participate in club events.

## COMMITTEES

**Fun Fly – Ron Hilger** said that Dan Naumowicz was the winner of the January Limbo fun fly. Dan cleared the wire with only inches to spare.

Speaking of wires, Ron said the next event was a carrier landing with optional arresting hooks. He had a working hook installed on his blue stick to show the members. (Pictures were published in the February newsletter).

**Flight Instruction** – Mert reported that Jim Scahill was stepping down from the Flight Instruction Chair position. As a result we were looking for a Flight Instruction Chairman as well as instructors for both helicopter and fixed wing training. John Howe volunteered as the Flight Instruction Chairperson and was approved by the members. Thank you, John!

**Safety – Mert Mischnick** repeated a story of a pilot injured (deep cut to the forehead) by the nose wheel wire of an electric powered A-10 at an Arizona event. This should serve as a reminder that even light electric powered aircraft (sans propellers), can cause serious injuries. Keep 'em safe, fly 'em safe!

## OTHER BUSINESS

**eNiter Dome Event – Stan Warden** discussed the spring eNiter to be held on March 14<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are still needed. Flyers were available to be distributed at hobby shops and swaps.

**Swap Shop – John Howe** talked about the April 11<sup>th</sup> Swap Shop. Volunteers will be needed from start to finish, so if you can help any time during the event, please let John know. Set up will be late Friday afternoon before the event (4-5pm). Flyers for the Swap were available for distribution at hobby shops and other swaps.

Also, members should have received 15 raffle tickets that they can purchase or sell. But if you sell them, please point out that there will be three prizes instead of a 50/50 raffle (as printed on the ticket). First, second, and third place will be \$100, \$75, and \$50, respectively.

## ENTERTAINMENT

Dave Title from [Venture Hobbies](#) gave a presentation on what's new at the store. They are introducing a new rewards program, which will be based on every dollar spent at the store. He showed how this will be a better deal for customers than the discounts on selected items they have offered club members in the past. The points earned can be used for discounts on any items in the store.

## PLANES

**Steve Dietrich** showed the club a foam "Wildcat" he built for the carrier landing event. It uses a variety of foams. Standard foam for the wings, Depron for the tail, and Gator Board for the fuselage.

**Dan Naumowicz** showed the club his partially completed Bristol Scout. He had hoped to enter it in a scale event, but after consulting the rules, found it didn't quite fit the bill. Never the less, it flies well and is covered with Airspan covering.

**Hector Rivera** displayed his Super Sport 40 ARF. He said it went together well and is ready to fly!

**RAFFLES – Elmer Helfert** won the Barnstormer Cap door prize. **Tom McAvoy** was the Turkey winner. The \$150 Venture gift certificate went to **Nancy Gazdziak**.

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## **Safety Alert!**

Safety: Electrify 950mAh 3S 11.1V battery recall.

Heli-Max is recalling the GPMP0401 Lithium Polymer Battery Pack included with the Axe CP-L Helicopter (HMXE06\*\*) purchased between November 2007 and April 2008.

Heli-Max has determined that in some cases the battery pack may pose a fire hazard. Customers

are advised to IMMEDIATELY STOP USING THE BATTERY PACK and follow the instructions below to return it and obtain a free replacement battery.

Batteries were also sold as a "stand alone" Electrify battery pack. Check link below for details. <http://www.helimax-rc.com/batteryrecall/index.html>



# DOME E-NITER

MARCH 14th

White Pines  
Golf Dome

300 Jefferson Avenue  
Bensenville, IL

11:00 PM - 5:00 AM

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