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Coming in May and June

May 10th, Membership Meeting, Bloomingdale Public Library, 7:00pm

May 16th, Fun Fly # 1, Pratt's Wayne Forest Preserve, 9:00am Trim Flights, 10:00am First Pilot Off

May 30th, Club Members Only Open Fly, Pratt's Wayne, 9:00am to 2:00pm

June 6th, Interclub Fun Fly, Pratt's Wayne Woods, 9:00am Trim Flights, 10:00am First Pilot Off

June 14th, Membership Meeting, Bloomingdale Public Library, 7:00pm

June 20th, Fun Fly #2, Pratt's Wayne Forest Preserve, 9:00am Trim Flights, 10:00am First Pilot Off

Schedule of Events for 2010

Below is a handy list of all Suburban RC Barnstormer events for 2010. Cut this out and put it in your flight box so you never miss any of the action!

January 1st, Noon Fun-Fly
January 11th, Club Meeting
January 14th, Dome Fun Fly
January 25th, Board Meeting
February 8th, Club Meeting
February 11th, Dome Fun Fly
February 22nd, Board Meeting
March 6th, Dome All Nighter
March 8th, Club Meeting
March 11th, Dome Fun Fly
March 22nd, Board Meeting
April 3rd, Swap Shop
April 19th, Club Meeting (STATIC CONTEST)
April 15th, Dome Fun Fly
April 26th, Board Meeting
May 10th, Club Meeting
May 16th, Fun Fly #1
May 30th, Club Members Only Open Fly
June 6th, Interclub Fun Fly
June 14th, Club Meeting
June 20th, Fun Fly #2
July 12th, Club Meeting

July 18th, Fun Fly #3
August 9th, Club Meeting
August 15th, Fun Fly #4
September 13th, Club Meeting
September 19th, Fun Fly #5
September 26st, Giant Scale Fun Fly
September 27nd, Board Meeting
October 11th, Club Meeting
October 25th, Board Meeting
November 8th, Club Meeting
November 11th, Dome Fun Fly
November 22rd, Board Meeting
December 4th, Dome All Nighter
December 13th, Christmas Meeting
December 16th, Dome Fun Fly
December 20st, Board Meeting

1. All meetings start at 7:00 p.m., Bloomingdale Public Library
2. Bensonville Golf Dome Flying Nov-Apr, Thurs., Fri. & Sat. 11:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m., Thurs. is Barnstormers only.

Notes of the Suburban RC Barnstormers Membership Meeting

April 19, 2010

ATTENDANCE

There were 42 members present and two visitors. Phillip Huetter who is a new flyer and John Kubitz nephew, Michael Kanzia, were present.

OFFICER REPORTS

President: Mert Mischnick presided over the meeting. Mert was looking for a volunteer to post the 2010 AMA rules and 2010 SRCB Schedule of events on our flight stand. **Bob Babyar** volunteered. Thanks, Bob!

Mert said that April 30th would be the last day for the Dome. So, if you have any items stored there, please pick them up.

Vice President: Mike Maciejewski said he was looking for new ideas for door prizes. He thought maybe items geared more toward electric flyers would be good.

For this evening, Mike had a 2 oz fuel tank, great for catching your overflow while filling at the field. In addition, he had a choice of Fox regular or long glow plugs.

The 256MB Delta Twin electric foam flyer continues as the rollover prize.

Mike also had information on Al's Hobbies spring fuel prices. If you need glow fuel for the flying season, now is a great time to buy it.

Mike had two planes donated by members that were to be auctioned off. One was a "Feather Duster" and the other was an Air Core Trainer.

Treasurer: Bob Elsner reported that despite the issues with the Dupage Fairgrounds (or perhaps because of them) this year was our most profitable Swap in 21 years. It beat out last's year income by a whopping \$4.18 (yes that is four dollars). We had issues with parking, lack of wall space, crowded conditions, and somewhat lower sales for the vendors, but in part, because the space cost us less, things worked out okay.

Secretary: Scott Taylor was busy (with the help of Keith Egging) counting ballots!

COMMITTEES

Safety – Mert asked how many had read the safety column in the last AMA magazine.

Swap Shop – John Howe added to Bob Elsner's comments by saying we had a record number of volunteers, which was greatly appreciated! Thirty-nine volunteers signed up to help. The kitchen help was great and worked non-stop. So, for now, it looks like we will return to the Fairgrounds next year.

OTHER BUSINESS

Wellness Report – Ed Wonnocott gave an update on the health of Juan Larios. He is currently hospitalized. Please keep him in your prayers. Please contact Ed for additional details.

Glider Pilots – It was reported that the Green Valley Forest Preserve overlook opens on May 1st. The overlook is a slope-flying site that is open to gliders and small electric planes. It is located just west of Route 53, south of 75th Street.

Auction – Our resident auctioneer, Keith Egging, lead the action for the Feather Duster Delta and Air Core trainer. The auction added \$30 to our treasury. Thanks!

ENTERTAINMENT

This evening the members were entertained by the sight of dozens of RC aircraft, just waiting for a warm sunny day to take off. This meeting was the annual static contest, and many participated. Planes in two categories, ARF/RTF and Kit/Scratch Built, were judged by the members present. After counting up the votes, two Grand Champions emerged, with 5 Reserve Champions in each category. **See the newsletter for details!**

PLANES

Marty Schrader showed members a plane called The Swarm, which was reminiscent of a bubble bee, but looked more like a J3 Cub with a black wing. Marty had skillfully sliced the fuselage in half from nose to tail, to show the interior. Once opened, installation of components is a snap. He expects this to be a great plane that he spent \$5 for at our Swap.

RAFFLES

Jeff Mrachek was the first door prize winner, and he took home the fuel tank. Then Jerry Jeske's name came up and he picked the Fox RC Long glow plugs. John Howe won the turkey. **Willie Cowgill** won the Delta Twin rollover.

Barnstormers Interclub Fun-Fly

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(The event description below is from the Prop Masters Fun Fly Committee Chair)

We haven't come up with a name for this year's event but here it is.

For starters we mark a spot on the field. This is the **landing target**. The object of the contest is to land as close as possible to the target. The **landing spot** will be marked on the spot where the aircraft's main landing gear FIRST touches the ground. The distance from the **landing target** to the **landing spot** will be recorded and is the pilot's' score for the event.

We may need to place circuit markers to indicate what a circuit of the field is. We'll probably use the tall grass on one side of the field and some type of marker or flag at the opposite side. The pilot will need a simple racetrack pattern that crosses both field markers.

We will have to judges, one from each club, and two markers, one from each club. The markers will measure the distance from the landing spot to the landing target and record the distance. The judges will compute and keep time. The judges will use a single dice to determine the flight time. Each dot represents 30 seconds. They will roll the dice for each pilot to determine his flight time after the pilot takes off. The pilot will not know his flight time.

The event goes like this.

1. The pilot takes off
2. He begins flying circuits of the field. He must fly past the circuit markers at each edge of the field. He must fly straight from marker to marker. He may change altitude but no loops or other maneuvers are allowed. A 5-foot distance penalty will be assessed per incident for maneuvering at the judge's discretion.
3. After the pilot has taken off, the judges roll one dice. They use that number (times 30) to determine the number of seconds before sounding the landing horn.
4. Once the pilot passes one of the circuit markers the judges will start countdown. Once the time expires the judges sound the landing horn.
5. Pilot must keep flying circuits of the field until the landing horn is sounded. The pilot must fly continuously NO HOVERING or CLIMBING ABOVE THE LANDING SPOT. A 5-foot distance penalty will be assessed per incident for maneuvering at judge's discretion.
5. When the pilot hears the horn he must throttle to idle or off for electrics.
6. The pilot then tries to land as close as possible to the landing spot, (mains first touch will be marked and scored).
7. If the pilot moves the throttle at any time after the horn is sounded, he is disqualified.
8. The distance from his first main gear touch to the landing spot will be measured and marked. NO TAXIING IS ALLOWED.
9. Best five lowest scores; distances from the landing spot to the landing target, from each club will be totaled.
10. Lowest total club score is the winner.

Looking forward to seeing you guys again and keeping the plaque. Any questions or concerns free to Email me either here or at dudkowlvd@aol.com.

Thanks

Larry D>

Prop Masters Fun-Fly committee

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