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## **Coming in December and January**

December 8<sup>th</sup>, Member Meeting, Bloomingdale Public Library, 7:00pm – CHRISTMAS DOOR PRIZES!

December 15<sup>th</sup>, Board Meeting, Bloomingdale Public Library, 7:00pm

January 1<sup>st</sup>, Frozen Finger Fun Fly, Pratt's Wayne Woods, Fly whenever, Group Photo at Noon

January 12<sup>th</sup>, Member Meeting, Bloomingdale Public Library, 7:00pm

January 26<sup>th</sup>, Board Meeting, Bloomingdale Public Library, 7:00pm

## **President's Corner**

*By Mike Maciejewski*

Hello,

Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah or whatever your faith may be. It is December and the kit builders should have a good start on their new airplanes. I hope to see them next year.

I was contacted by someone at the Dupage Forest Preserve about the new field opening next year. He was asking if we could have an open house, a workday there with their workers and a few other things. Everything he was asking sounded doable. The hitch was this, the Dupage Forest Preserve board voted to eliminate two Director positions, his position was one of them. So we are waiting to hear from his replacement. Will let you know when we know more.

The Christmas party and raffle is this month. Just a reminder that earlier this year the Board voted to by bigger prizes which means fewer prizes. Not everyone will go home with a prize.

There will be a raffle with prizes for our local Wishtree charity. Debbie Howe is running the raffle for that. She will explain about buying tickets for your chances to win. This is a separate event from the clubs Christmas raffle. In the event of bad weather on the day of the meeting and the meeting is canceled, do not call Debbie or John Howe to see if there will be a meeting that night. Call a Board officer or check the club web site. We will try to get the information on the web site as soon as we can if the meeting has been canceled.

Have a nice winter and keep your stick on the ice!

*Mike*

# Notes of the Suburban RC Barnstormers Membership Meeting

November 10, 2014

## ATTENDANCE

There were 37 members present at the Bloomingdale Library meeting including **Art Peterson** who was a past member that has just rejoined.

## OFFICER REPORTS

**President: Mike Maciejewski** presided over the meeting.

Mike expressed his appreciation to **Sharon Burns** for updating us on our new field at the last meeting. Unfortunately, Sharon did not win her re-election.

Mike reminded the Board members that the monthly Board meetings have resumed.

**Vice President: Steve Thill** said he had a glow driver, t-pins, lead weights, and flight power cord.

The Hellcat has returned as our rollover.

Steve also reminded members to get their field permits for 2015. You don't want to miss the New Year's Frozen Finger Fun Fly!

Steve said we would conduct the elections during the "Entertainment" portion of the meeting.

**Treasurer: Bob Elsner** reported the turkey certificates were in hand and ready get to their owners.

**Secretary: Scott Taylor** said tonight was the annual Turkey presentation. Members win their "turkeys" at regular meetings to encourage attendance, but we also have a few extra "turkeys" to give away at the meeting. This year we have 4 extra. Of course, turkeys are really gift cards these days, but they will not melt on the way home!

## COMMITTEES

**Fun Fly Chairman – Steve Merrill** had no report since the fun fly season is over.

**Dome Flying – Stan Warden** said we are beginning our 10<sup>th</sup> year at the golf dome for indoor flying. This year we are flying on Friday and Saturday only, from 11:00pm until 1:00pm.

**Flight Instruction – John Howe** said he has no one in training right now.

## OTHER BUSINESS

**Swap Shop – Debbie Howe** said things are moving along with the Swap Shop. Some tables have already been reserved and paid for. But Debbie said that other events seem to be slow this year.

**Christmas Meeting Treats – Debbie Howe** said we would have tables set up for goodies at our Christmas meeting. If you would like to contribute please bring an appetizer or dessert treat to share.

**Christmas Wish Tree Raffle – Debbie** said she has some donations and would be able to have the raffle at our Christmas meeting. But she would greatly appreciate the donation of additional gifts. If you have unused items that would be of interest to others, please bring them to the meeting or contact Debbie. All of the money we make from this raffle allows us to support a number of needy families and individuals in our community and is greatly appreciated.

## ENTERTAINMENT –

**Nominations/Elections – Steve Thill** moderated the finalization of the nominations for office and board positions. There were a few changes from the previous month but only one position that required a vote, the position of President. Both Steve Thill and Mike Maciejewski had been nominated for President. A written ballot vote was held and the results put Steve in a new position. Congratulations and many thanks to all of the members that ran. Below are the final results.

**President:** Steve Thill

**Vice-President:** Hector Rivera

**Secretary:** Ofelia Rivera

**Treasurer:** Bob Elsner

**Fun Fly Chairman:** Ernie Blenkle

**Flight Instruction:** Steve Merrill

**Safety Officer:** Tom Lyons

**Board at large:** Jeff Mrachek, John Howe, Bob Sarley

**Turkeys – Scott Taylor** handed out the turkey gift cards for those that won them throughout the year. Then we had a drawing for the two additional turkeys cards left over. **Andy LaMontagna** and **Stan Warden** took home the extra cards.

## PLANES

**Jeff Mrachek** showed the members the completed floats he had shown us last meeting as chunks of foam. Marvelous job and very light! Jeff also showed the members a Charlie Bauer profile Mustang he had completed. This was originally designed as a control line plane but has been built as a glow powered RC aircraft.



**Dave West** gave a report on his aluminum "Tin Man" airplane. It has made its first flight. It was a windy day and the extra weight gave it good flight handling and said it flew great!

## RAFFLES

**Door Prizes** – **Nancy Gazdziak** went home with the glow driver, **Paul Kramer** took the charger cord, and **Mike Maciejewski** got the lead and t-pins. **Ralph Niedzwiecki** won the Hellcat rollover.

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## Schedule Of Events For 2015

January 1 <sup>st</sup>	Frozen Fingers Fun-Fly At Noon
January 12 <sup>th</sup>	Club Meeting
January 26 <sup>th</sup>	Board Meeting
February 9 <sup>th</sup>	Club Meeting
February 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Board Meeting
March 9 <sup>th</sup>	Club Meeting
March 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Board Meeting
April 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Swap Shop Setup
April 4 <sup>th</sup>	Swap Shop
April 13 <sup>th</sup>	Club Meeting
April 27 <sup>th</sup>	Board Meeting
May 11 <sup>th</sup>	Club Meeting
May 17 <sup>th</sup>	Fun Fly # 1
May 24 <sup>th</sup>	Members Only. Warbirds Any Size
June 8 <sup>th</sup>	Club Meeting
June 14 <sup>th</sup>	Fun Fly # 2
June 21 <sup>st</sup>	Interclub Fun Fly (their field) – TBC
July 13 <sup>th</sup>	Club Meeting
July 19 <sup>th</sup>	Fun Fly # 3
August 10 <sup>th</sup>	Club Meeting

August 16 <sup>th</sup>	Fun Fly # 4
September 14 <sup>th</sup>	Club Meeting
September 20 <sup>th</sup>	Fun Fly # 5
September 27 <sup>th</sup>	Giant Scale Fun Fly
September 28 <sup>th</sup>	Board Meeting
October 12 <sup>th</sup>	Club Meeting
October 26 <sup>th</sup>	Board Meeting
November 9 <sup>th</sup>	Club Meeting
November 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Board Meeting
December 14 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Meeting
December 21 <sup>st</sup>	Board Meeting

**All meetings start at 7:00 p.m. at the Bloomingdale Public Library except where noted.**

**Bensonville Golf Dome Flying Nov-April  
Fri. & Sat. 11:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.**

# Suburban RC Barnstormers 2015 Budget

*Approved By Board of Directors 10/27/14*

Category	2014 Actual	2014 Budget	2014 Variance	2015 Proposed	
<b>INCOME:</b>					
Membership	\$ 1,245.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ (355.00)	\$ 1,245.00	
Swap Shop	\$ 4,288.91	\$ 4,500.00	\$ (211.09)	\$ 4,200.00	
Misc. Income	\$ 37.28	\$ 400.00	\$ (362.72)	\$ 35.00	See Misc. note
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>\$ 5,571.19</b>	<b>\$ 6,500.00</b>	<b>\$ (928.81)</b>	<b>\$ 5,480.00</b>	
			\$ -		
<b>EXPENSE:</b>					
			\$ -		
Misc. Copy Expense					
Swap Shop/Insurance	\$ 2,566.25	\$ 2,600.00	\$ (33.75)	\$ 2,551.00	
Library Fees/Insurance	\$ 205.00	\$ 260.00	\$ (55.00)	\$ 260.00	
Newsletter	\$ 60.39	\$ 540.00	\$ (479.61)	\$ 540.00	12 @ \$45/mo.
Meeting Door Prizes	\$ -		\$ -		See meeting note
Raffles	\$ 125.71	\$ 1,509.00	\$ (1,383.29)	\$ 1,029.00	See raffle note
Static Prizes	\$ -		\$ -		
Fun-Fly Food/Supplies	\$ 491.34	\$ 390.00	\$ 101.34	\$ 325.00	See fun-fly note
Field Permits/Fees/Insurance	\$ 420.00	\$ 420.00	\$ -	\$ 375.00	7 @ \$45+AMA
Safety	\$ -	\$ 30.00	\$ (30.00)	\$ 30.00	
Instruction	\$ -	\$ 10.00	\$ (10.00)	\$ 10.00	
AMA Charter Fee	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ -	\$ 30.00	
Giant Scale Fun-Fly Food	\$ -	\$ 130.00	\$ (130.00)	\$ 130.00	2 @ \$65
Website Hosting/Domain Name	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		Paid Thru 2015
Misc. Expense	\$ 662.71	\$ 261.00	\$ 401.71	\$ 200.00	See Misc. note
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$ 4,561.40</b>	<b>\$ 6,180.00</b>	<b>\$ (1,618.60)</b>	<b>\$ 5,480.00</b>	
			\$ -		
<b>Net Profit/Loss:</b>	<b>\$ 1,009.79</b>	<b>\$ 320.00</b>	<b>\$ 689.79</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	
 <b>Est. Expenses Thru 12/31/14</b>					
Newsletters July to December	\$ (479.00)				
Turkey Gift Cards	\$ (204.00)				
Christmas Raffle/Party	\$ (700.00)				
<b>Total Est. Expenses:</b>	<b>\$ (1,383.00)</b>				
<b>2014 Profit/Loss:</b>	<b>\$ (373.21)</b>				
<b>2014 Bank Balance 10/26/14:</b>	<b>\$ 3,811.12</b>				
Less Est. Expenses:	\$ (1,383.00)				
<b>Est. Carry Forward To 2015:</b>	<b>\$ 2,428.12</b>				
 <b>Meeting Door Prizes:</b>	11 meetings X \$0/meeting				
 <b>Raffles:</b>	\$204 Turkey Gift Cards + \$700 Christmas Party Raffle + \$125 Swap Shop Helper Raffle				
 <b>Fun-Fly Food/Supplies:</b>	5 Field Fun-Flys @ \$65				
 <b>Misc. Income:</b>	Hat/Shirt Sales, Donations, Name, Badges, Rollover				
 <b>Misc. Expense:</b>	PO Box, Annual Rpt., Bunn Coffee, Maker, Checks, Fax Fees				

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