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## **Coming in March and April**

March 9<sup>th</sup>, Member Meeting, Poplar Creek Public Library, Streamwood, 7:00pm

March 23<sup>rd</sup>, Board Meeting, Taylor Residence, 7:00pm

April 3<sup>rd</sup>, Swap Shop Setup, Dupage Fairgrounds, late afternoon

April 4<sup>th</sup> Swap Shop, Dupage Fairgrounds, Vendor Setup 6:00am

April 13<sup>th</sup>, Member Meeting, Poplar Creek Public Library, Streamwood, 7:00pm

April 27<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting, TBD

## **President's Corner**

*By Steve Thill*

It is hard to believe it is March already! Building and swap season is in full swing and I can't wait to see all of the new planes at the field this spring. The club build is coming along nicely with a number of planes nearing completion. It has been fun to watch all of the uproars come to life and it is great to see the wide array of power options being used.

Our swap shop is quickly approaching on April 4<sup>th</sup> and volunteers are needed for setup on the night of April 3<sup>rd</sup> and to work the show on April 4<sup>th</sup>. Please consider volunteering at the club swap. It is a great way to meet club members and other folks in the RC community.

As the weather starts to moderate we will be working with the Forest Preserve on the field move. This should happen in the April / May timeframe. If you would like to volunteer to help with the field move and the radio impound stand rehab please let me know!

During our February meeting our treasurer, Bob Elsner, reported that around 25% of the 2014 club membership has paid their 2015 dues. I would like to request that folks please make it a point to renew their 2015 memberships soon. Our 2015 budget is based on our last year's membership and we will need to make drastic changes for 2015 if our membership decreases significantly. Thank you in advance for supporting the club!

2015 promises to be a very exciting active year in the club and I look forward to starting a new flying season with you all!

Happy Landings,

*Steve*

Regards

## **Don't Forget - Meetings at Poplar Creek Public Library Through April**

Due to conflicts with other users of the Bloomingdale Library facility our meetings through April will be at the Poplar Creek Public Library in

Streamwood. The address of the library is 1405 S Park Ave, Streamwood, IL.

# Notes of the Suburban RC Barnstormers Membership Meeting

February 09, 2015

## ATTENDANCE

There were 30 members present and 4 guests at the Poplar Creek Public Library in Streamwood meeting. They became new members, welcome. The address is: **1405 S. Park Ave, Streamwood, IL.**

## OFFICER REPORTS

**President: Steve Thill** presided over the meeting.

**Update on the field:** Mike (Maciejewski) and I met in January with the forest preserve at the new field. They are saying that the field will open this spring, when they are saying spring really means April-ish and they do not have a date in stone. We do not know how long the snow will last and field has to dry out and grass cut before it could open.

Walking thru the field some safety issues we had and walked by the flight line from runway to the fence that divides the spectators from flyers. This is about 68 feet, this space for barriers where the pilots stand, runway and space between that and pits and of course spectators behind fences.

Steve goes on to say that we need 5 to 6 pilot barriers and that he gave them pictures of some different barriers we could use, the barriers have to be about waist high so no one gets hurt. We talked about airplanes stand they are looking to rebuilding new one not using our old one. Structurally, I think ours are okay, they have put a lot of money into this and they just want everything to look nice. Hopefully we could get 2 to 4 put out there depending on the budget.

We talked about putting 4 picnic tables out there, 2 at pilots and 2 at spectator side. We talked about signage; they have this nice walk way there but no signs to let people know only pilot beyond this point or park district permit require.

Talked about putting a BQ grill by the spectator's area, this will help us with the fun fly. They will be assisting us in move our radio stand and they'll need us to help in any way. The logistics on the cut over will be a Saturday in April that we agree on, a work morning or work day, we will help in moving the radio stand and put the new wind sock in. Bottom line we will be helping them put the field the way we want. Officially cut over.

They are also talking about a small ceremony for the park, a ribbon cutting, etc. This is all the details he had. We will be asked to participate on one of them.

Overall 2 things: One will be our club responsibility to is the radio stand. We build it and we have to scrape it and repaint it, make look like new. Two, after the discussion he hit us with our club funding some of the barriers. I told him we are limited in funds and we could have some of us volunteer to help them in any way we can.

The New Field is coming.

**Vice President: Hector Rivera** for the door prizes meter, battery check, and some odds and ends. Raffle is still the camera. The library did offer us the use of their microphones to see if you could hear better.

**Treasurer: Bob Elsner** reported the name of the new field is "Hawk Owl", so when you hear the name you know is our field. Our permits are coming soon. He goes on to say that for Dec 2014 our net profit is \$16.58. Bob also stated that we have in the bank balance of \$2800.72. He received package from AMA, Charter, and Certificates of insurance for swap. No fees for Poplar Library. Bob and the board members are concern about our dues having ¼ dues in, if you have not renewal yet, please get them in as soon as possible before the field is done. We do not have any assets other than the cash we have in bank.

**Secretary: Ofelia Rivera** Please do not speak when the President is speaking, be respectful and polite to those speaking. Scott will still be doing the name tags, business cards and the renewals for now.

## COMMITTEES

**Fun Fly Director – Ernie Blenkle** goes on to say sheets are in the back table to vote for fun fly events last vote. Maybe this year we could beat the Prop Masters.

**Dome Flying – Stan Warden** was absent.

**Flight Instruction – Steve Merrill** said he would help with the building of the Uproar kit. Contact through e-mail him or call him.

**Swap Shop – Debbie Howe** not in, but Mike M. spoke on her behalf and went on to say that everything is going according to schedule.

**Safety Officer-Tom Lyons** had good tips for working on your uproar, glues, fans, and good ventilation is need for this project due to the

toxics. When sanding make sure you wear a mask, CA is better but also toxic not by much. Make sure you label everything, alcohol 70% because of vapors this is why ventilations and fans are a must. Most important make sure you take breaks.

**Dave West** and some of our members did bring their Uproar to show their finish and where they are with their planes. You did an amazing job. Great job everyone. At the next meeting Dave is arranging for a demonstration on Monocoat covering.

## RAFFLES

**Door Prizes –** We had three winners for the door prizes and the roll over for the **Mobius** camera great little one.

## Upcoming events

**Swap Til' You Drop 2015**  
**April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015 DuPage County Fairgrounds**

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## Time to Renew and Please Do!

*By Scott Taylor*

March has arrived meaning the New Year is well under way. If you haven't renewed your membership yet, now may be a great time! There are lots of reasons to renew or to join if you are reading this from our web site.

First of all, being a member gives you a voice regarding where you fly and how you fly. As a member you help direct our efforts with the Forest Preserve that includes what amenities to add at the field, provide feedback on things we like and the things we don't like, and how to help make flying safer and more enjoyable for everyone.

As a member you not only help get your voice heard but also help make our voice as a club louder. A club with few members cannot

adequately demonstrate the model flying interest that exists in Dupage County.

Another benefit as a member is the ability to participate in club events such as fun flies, club builds, static display competitions, meeting door prizes, and annual give aways.

Your membership benefits both you and other members by being able to learn from the experience of other flyers and to share your own experience with them.

Help keep our club strong and join or renew today! And if you choose to receive your newsletter in hard copy form, renew to keep them coming! This will be the last hard copy for members that have not renewed.

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# UpRoar Build Ideas from the Bulletin Board

## PERFORMANCE

How will your new UpRoar perform. Here is a website that will help you find out. Feed this calculator your plane and power plant vital statistics and find out if you will be flying like Top Gun or handing the controls over to Granny!

[http://www.castlecreations.com/support/flight\\_calculator.html](http://www.castlecreations.com/support/flight_calculator.html)

## COLORS

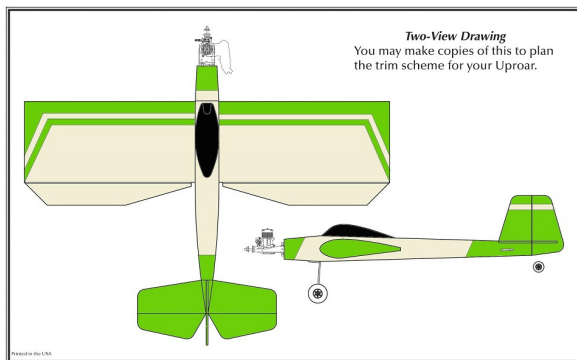
Here are a couple of the color schemes so far.



Ron Hilger is building two planes one electric and one glow. Both sport similar but different yellow and red colors.



Scott Taylor is keeping colors bright using orange and yellow Ultracoat.



Dave West is planning a cream and green color scheme.

## STICKERS

Are you creative? What to remember why and when you built your plane? Then how about throwing your design ideas into the ring for a nice sticker to add to your plane? Here are a couple of the ideas so far.



Keith Egging's idea is to emphasize the "Roar" in our build!



Bob Sarley has a simple but clean idea for a club sticker.

## COOLING

For those building electric versions, some considerations need to be made to cool the batteries and motor controller.



Ernie Blenkle is trying an NACA style intake duct. These are both efficient and low drag

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