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# The Transmitter

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## **Coming in May and June**

**May 8<sup>th</sup>, Membership Meeting, Itasca Public Library, 7:00pm – STATIC DISPLAY**

**June 11<sup>th</sup>, Fun Fly #1, Pratt's Wayne Woods, 9:00am trim flights, 10:00am first flights - TENTATIVE**

**June 12<sup>th</sup>, Board Meeting, Itasca Public Library, 7:00pm**

## **2017 Static Display – Next Meeting (5/8/17)**

*By Scott Taylor*

Since our Swap Shop was very close to our meeting in April, we decided to push our Static Display into May. We hope that will give a few more people an opportunity to participate and for those that found some gems at our Swap, an opportunity to get them ready for the display.

We will have three categories again this year. An ARF/RTF category, a Rotary Wing category, and a Scratch/Kit Built category. As our hobby evolves, so does our Static Display! This year we have a new type of model on the scenes, the 3D printed model! It is very likely 3D printed models will become increasingly popular and will, one day, qualify for their own category, but for this year, they will go into the Scratch/Kit built category.

The rules are very simple. You register your model in the appropriate category and will get a number to display with your model. Your entries can not have won a Grand Champion in the past but Reserve Champions are still eligible. Also, entries should be radio controlled (i.e. rubber band free flight, not eligible), but they do not need to be powered (i.e. gliders are eligible).

Members will vote on up to 3 models in each category that they consider the worthiest of our coveted Grand Champion status! A simple count of the votes given to each model will determine the winners.

HINT: In a case where there are only three models in a category, if everyone voted for all three models, each would receive the same number of votes and make determining a winner a coin toss. So, you may vote for fewer than three models in a category, to help make a winner determinable.

So, get those models ready and remember this is all in fun. We want to see all of your favorites!



# Notes of the Suburban RC Barnstormers Membership Meeting

April 10, 2017

## ATTENDANCE

There were 23 members present at the April meeting held at the Itasca Public Library. New members Larry Amiot and Dave Mosquera joined us.

## OFFICER REPORTS

**President: Hector** reminded everyone the Swap is coming up quick on the 15<sup>th</sup>. Marty will have some more details. We are working on an Open House during one of our Fun Fly possibly June but not finalized yet.

**Vice President: Paul Kramer** said the door prizes for the evening would be a roll of white Monocoat, glue, and some Great Planes after run oil. The precision scale is still our rollover prize.

**Treasurer: Bob Vance** reported we had about \$3000 in the bank.

**Secretary: Ofelia Rivera** was busy with other duties, so **Scott Taylor** was filling in for her. Scott reminded members that membership cards are mailed out in the newsletter. If you don't normally get a newsletter and see one, don't throw it away! It probably has your membership card. Also, March is generally considered the end of the "grace" period for membership. So, if you haven't renewed yet and were getting a hard copy newsletter, the March issue will be the last.

## COMMITTEES

**Safety Chairman** – Our new Safety Chairman, **Tom Jennings** reminded everyone that the weather would soon be warming up and that most of our planes have been sitting idle through the winter which can have detrimental effects on the planes. Make sure to check your batteries, servos, glue joints, push rods, wiring, etc. before your first flight of the season. You don't want it to be the last for your plane! Paul Kramer also mentioned to check wiring connections carefully as corrosion can corrode connectors and be easily missed. This can result in sporadic performance or worse!

**Fun Flies and Flight Instruction – Hector** said we are still looking for chair people for both the Fun Flies and Flight Instruction. Maybe this is something for you!

**Dome Flying: Hector** said April 14<sup>th</sup> will be the last day for flying model airplanes in the dome.

## OLD BUSINESS

**Swap Shop- Marty Schrader** gave a report on the upcoming swap. First on the agenda, "We need a bigger Raffle Box!". Volunteers will need to be aware that men's and women's rest rooms will be in different location and guests may need help finding them. Help will be needed on Saturday starting around 6:45am. Members should be aware that unless they are working, they should pay the entrance fee. Watch out for parking in handicap spaces, the Fair Ground staff monitor these closely and will ticket.

## NEW BUSINESS

**New Pilot Introductions - Paul Kramer** after working with the Itasca Library had some additional details about the introductory classes we will be holding. Classes will start out on August 5<sup>th</sup> (1p-3p), with an "Explore RC Session" where there will be several computer flight simulators and an overview of the RC Hobby to develop interest. That will be followed up by a "Field Trip" on August 12<sup>th</sup> to Pratt's Wayne Woods to provide introductory buddy box flights. Finally, there will be a couple of sessions at the Library in September to provide information on the components of RC Flying and information on building and assembling.

**Dave West** passed out some SRCB business cards for members to pass along when they see new people at the field, or to people they know that may be interested in the hobby. Please let Dave know you have any comments on the format or content. If these look good, we will place a large order for cards.

**Static Display** – The Static Display has been officially moved from April to May.

## PLANES

**Bob Vance** talked about a new airplane that he was interested in. It is a quad powered plane that takes off vertically but can then tilt the engines forward to transition to more conventional flying. They had a very good price on the plane at Hobby Town and Bob talked to Jeremy about it. However, after Jeremy give his honest assessment of the plane Bob decided not to buy it. He was very grateful for Jeremy's knowledge and honesty and had nothing but praise for Hobby Town!

**Dave West** brought in a new 3D printed airplane. This was an Edge 530. These planes can be printed on a 3D printer in sections and then easily assembled. This Edge took about 40 hours of printing time, but is not something you need to watch constantly. These airplanes look incredible! And the construction design is amazing. The jury is still

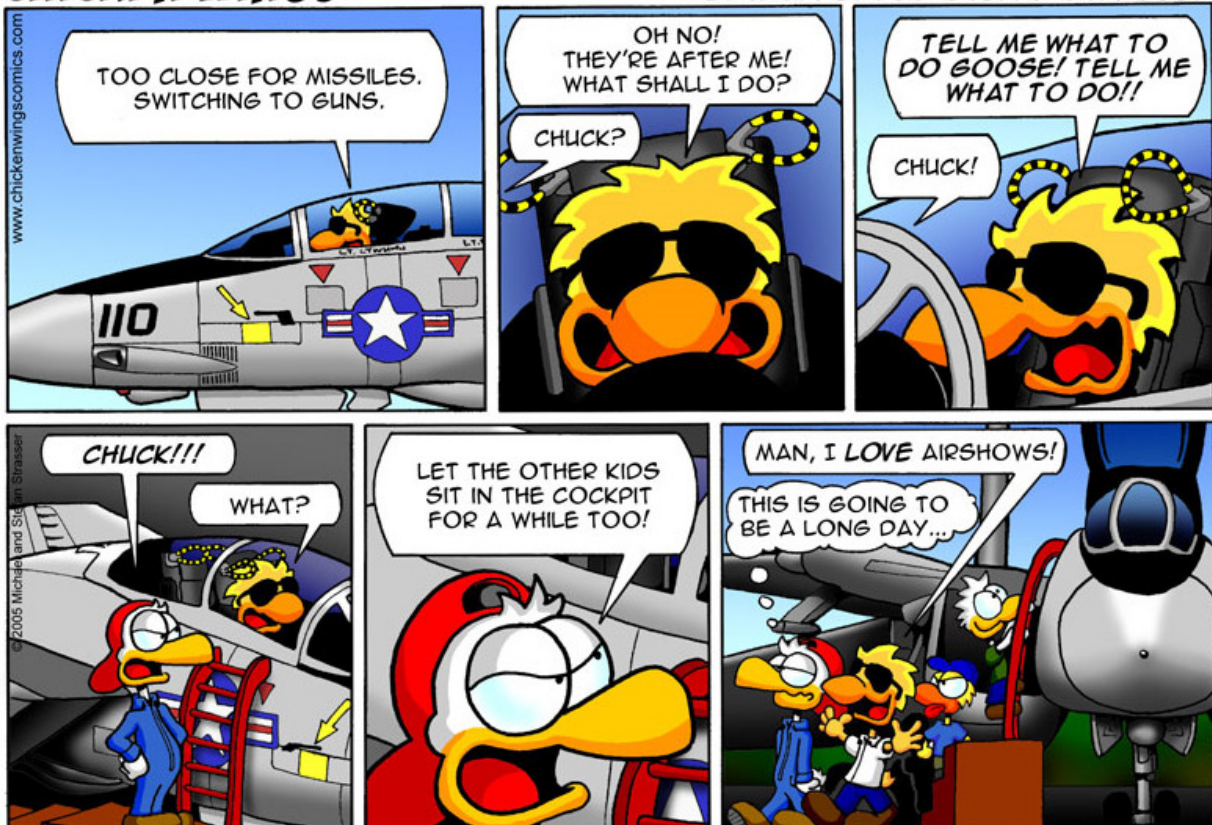
out on durability, but you know Dave is going to keep us up to date!



**Door Prizes** – Paul Kramer won the Monocoat, Mike Cannata got the glue, and John Cacciatore took the after run oil. John Cacciatore also won the Thanksgiving Turkey! The rollover carries on to the next meeting.

## CHICKEN WINGS™

BY MICHAEL AND STEFAN STRASSER



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