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Coming in June and July

June 11th, Member Meeting, Itasca Public Library, 7:00pm

June 24th, Fun Fly, Pratt's Wayne field, 9:00am Trim, 10:00am First Contestant

July 9th, Member Meeting, Itasca Public Library, 7:00pm

July 15th, Fun Fly, Pratt's Wayne field, 9:00am Trim, 10:00am First Contestant

Activities to Grow Our Membership

By Scott Taylor

For those that attend the monthly meetings, it is clear that the ranks are shrinking rather than growing. There is no single reason for this change. Some of the reason are outside of our control others maybe not.

One of the things that is certainly within our control is to spread the word and encourage the young. If you look at the meeting notes in this newsletter, you will see that Marty Schrader has been working on a simple quick build glider that can be used to teach and inspire young adults.



We used these gliders at our Open House last year and Swap 'Til You Drop earlier this year. The next opportunity would be at the EAA 153 Pancake Breakfast on Father's Day, and we are also expecting to participate in the Maywood Sportsman's Club picnic on July 14th.

These events give us an opportunity to show young adults how easy it is for them to get started in the hobby and how far they can go!

Another opportunity to take advantage of is new people at the flying field. I have heard members say they have seen people at the field they don't recognize and that are not club members and of course the question that follows is "Did you talk to them!"

I personally got started in the Barnstormers when a then young man, Ron Walker, helped me with my first R/C planes and told me about the club!

Spread the word!

Notes of the Suburban RC Barnstormers Membership Meeting

May 14, 2018

ATTENDANCE

There were 14 members present at the May meeting held at the Itasca Public Library.

OFFICER REPORTS

President: Hector Rivera said the next membership meeting would be June 11th.

Vice President: Paul Kramer had a number of prizes to pick from this evening including a precision knife set, allen screw drivers, wheels, starter, and exhaust deflector.

Treasurer: Bob Vance passed along the sad news that longtime member Keith Egging passed away over the weekend. Hector had pulled our plaque of members that have passed on and intends to add Keith's name. If anyone is aware of others we may have missed, please let him know.

Secretary: Scott Taylor said Offie was working tonight and couldn't make the meeting. I will be filling in.

COMMITTEES

Safety: Tom Jennings said the ticks at the field have been worse than usual. He recommended using a DET based repellent while at the field. Marty also suggested another product called Cedarcide. It is a cedar wood base product so is all natural.

<https://www.cedarcide.com/>

Paul Kramer reminded members to check their batteries before first flights for the year. These have probably been sitting unused for months. He showed some discharge rate charts for his packs

Fun Fly Chairman: Hector said we are still looking for a fun fly chairman. Please consider helping if you can.

PLANES

Marty Schrader had some gliders he made as giveaways at the Swap. These are very simple two-piece kits that can be quickly put together.

Once assembled, balanced and trimmed, these are very good flyers (as demonstrated!). This is an idea to help get more kids involved and we hope to use these for other events and presentations.



Larry Amiot showed the members a "pocket drone". It was a small fold up drone that could be controlled by cell phone or a hand controller. It included a high definition camera with live view and cost around \$55. This was a JJRC Model 57.



ENTERTAINMENT

This meeting was the static display. Many great planes were displayed and everyone was a winner! See pictures in the newsletter.

Door Prizes – Tom Jennings grabbed the fiberglass filler. **Paul Lund** got some wheels. And **Scott Taylor** took the turkey!

2018 Static R/C Plane Display

By Scott Taylor

This year turnout was a bit light. We had 5 entries in the Kit/Scratch Built category, no entries in the ARF/RTF category, and one unintentional entry in the rotary wing category. The winners were determined by a vote of the members present and the results of the voting are below.



Tom Jennings – Grand Champion Kit/Scratch Built – SIG J3 Cub



Chuck Wiebler – Reserve Champ – "Woody"



Doug Penn – Reserve Champ – Foam Decathlon



Paul Kramer – Reserve Champ – Uproar



Hector Rivera – Reserve Champ – "Hardwoody"



Larry Amiot – Grand Champion Rotary Wing – Pocket Drone

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