



The Transmitter

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Coming in February and March

February 14th, Monday, Membership Meeting, Itasca Public Library/ZOOM, 7:00pm start

February 28th, Monday, Board Meeting, ZOOM, 7:00pm start

March 14th, Monday, Membership Meeting, Itasca Public Library/ZOOM, 7:00pm start

March 28th, Monday, Board Meeting, ZOOM, 7:00pm start

Next Meeting – Second Monday, February 14th

The next meeting will be held on the planned second Monday of the month on February 14th. But we will continue with the Zoom option as well. Below is the link to the Zoom meeting.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86302219681?pwd=emFYRXILWldOSHdFRlUyWUlrNEJYUT09>

Meeting ID: 863 0221 9681
Passcode: 871126

Topic: SRCB Membership Meeting
Time: Feb 14, 2022 06:45 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

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Join Zoom Meeting

FAA Drone Registration

By Scott Taylor

Is it time to renew your drone (Small UAS) registration certificate yet? Mine was expiring in March and I thought now is a good time to renew!

I logged on to my account and started the registration process but got stopped by a “You must register at least one transponder device.” Well, needless to say, I didn’t have such a device, they weren’t supposed to be required until the fall of 2022, and I don’t think you can even buy one!

Apparently, the FAA, out of character with the government, got ahead of schedule for the application development and added the transponder entry section! Great for the FAA, not so good for us trying to renew without a transponder.

Fortunately, with some help and guidance from some of our members and the AMA, I was able to get through the registration process.

What is the trick? The FAA website has eased up on some of the verification and allows entry of any text, or blank entries.

When you get to the device registration, there are fields for “Nickname”, “Model Name”, and “Manufacturer”. Nickname can be kept blank, model name can be anything you like, and you can enter your own name as the manufacturer. There is also a box for serial number, but they have provided a checkbox that indicates “Not Applicable”. Use that! Your device will be accepted, and you can finish the renewal or registration process.

The AMA has more detail that can help you through the process if you still have problems.

<https://amablog.modelaircraft.org/amagov/2021/05/11/update-to-faa-drone-zone-registration-and-renewal-process/>

Meeting Notes for Membership Meeting

January 3, 2022

Attendance: There were 14 members attending the December meeting. The meeting was held at the Itasca Library and on Zoom. We had 8 members attend in person and 6 on-line via Zoom.

OFFICER REPORTS:

President: Hector Rivera welcomed those both present at the library and on-line. He said, so far, no one sick. This month's meeting was move to the 3rd because of a Library conflict.

Hector reminded members the next meeting will be the second Monday, February 14th. The Board meeting will be as scheduled on January 24th.

Vice President: Paul Kramer and Bob Vance provided an answer to Scott about issues trying to renew his FAA Drone certificate. The issue was the web site requires a transponder device to be registered even though none exist yet. Below is a link to instruction from AMA. But bottom line is you can enter any nick name and model name for your registration, and for manufacturer you can enter you own name. For serial number, check the NA check box.

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Secretary: Scott Taylor is mailing the 2022 membership cards as members renew. However, new name tags will wait to be handed out at a physical library meetings when possible.

Some asked about the solution to the puzzle that was in the last newsletter. Scott said he

intended to have the link to the solution but forgot it. It will be in the next newsletter. Most members thought the puzzle was fun. Thanks to Ernie Blenkle for submitting the idea.

Treasurer: Larry Amiot reported the most recent expenses and income. The treasury balance was reported but the newsletter will no longer report the balance.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

Manville Web Site Information – Ernie Blenkle provided some information about the Manville flying site that he suggested be added to the opening page on our website. We intend to move forward with this.

Meeting Date Consideration – A decision was made to move the meetings back to the Itasca Library on the second Monday of the month.

AMA Leader Clubs – Ernie was reviewing the requirements to qualify as a "Leader Club". As our club meets all the requirements, he suggest we submit an application.

Membership renewal – Our membership year runs from January through December. So, it is time for renewal. Please give your renewals to Larry at a meeting or mail you renewals to the club PO box. Given our limited sources of income at this time, your renewals are important to help support the club and our activities.

DOOR PRIZES

Bob Vance was the winner of the door prize and **Kurt Krempetz** was the "turkey" winner.

My First Year being a Suburban RC Barnstormer

K. Krempetz - 12/21

I thought I would share with you my thoughts and my experience after being Suburban RC Barnstormer member for one year. I hope this article will give some people some insight to what the Suburban RC Barnstormers has to offer and encourage people to join the club and be part of the fun.

First, I will give you a little information about myself so things can be put in perspective. I am a retired guy who started flying model airplanes over 60 years ago. I have flown many different aspects of modeling: Free Flight, Control Line and RC. I have flown competitive in each of these disciplines. Currently, my main interest is in Discus Launched Gliders.

In the past couple of years, I done most of my flying out at Kress Creek (Manville) but I do occasionally fly at Pratt Wayne Woods. I decided to join the SRCB club because they supported the Kress Creek flying field by including the field in the SRCB club sanction.

SRCB Annual Dues are very reasonable, \$30/year for an adult member and it my case \$15/year because I am over 65. I received a month or so later a nice SRCB Name Tag.

The first event the SRCB held was on January 1st, called the Frozen Finger event. That was a lot of fun, meeting some club members and flying in some nasty weather. It got me out of the house and put a smile on my face.

For the winter months, I went to the club meetings, which due to COVID were on Zoom. I found them pretty frustrating, having a hard time getting use to video conference meetings and found little content to the meetings. But at every meeting you attended you get your name put into two raffles, a Turkey raffle, and a door prize raffle.

Spring came and the club ran a little "Free Swap Shop" event out at Reed Keppler Park, which I was not able to attend but from some other members I heard, was a nice little event where you could pick up some nice used models.

A month or so later the club held a little Whipper Whiz postal contest, which was to build a little Free Flight glider and post some duration times. I built a couple of these gliders and posted some times. I found that an enjoyable event.

After Memorial Day, SRCB offers free flight training on Thursday evening out at PWW. I attend many of these Thursday night training sessions helping out the main instructor Steve Thill. I learned a few new things and had fun helping others.

I attended the first SRCB fun fly event, a fast pass, and slow pass contest. I had a great time, and was totally surprised that after the event SRCB brought lunch for all to eat. So not only

did I enjoy flying and the contest, but I got a free lunch too!

A month or so later SRCB held another fun fly event out at PWW, basically a timed event where you had to do a few simple maneuvers in the shortest time possible. Again, I enjoyed the event and received a free lunch!

A few weeks later SRCB held another fun fly event which I could not attend but heard from others it was again a nice run event. It was an event to help us practice for the Inter club contest with the PropMasters.

Weeks later the SRCB had contest where we competed with the PropMasters out at their field. There I was part of a team that beat the PropMasters team in a fast pass, slow pass contest. Again, received a free lunch and the team brought home the trophy for winning the event, which was a blast!

Then this fall SRCB held a Tailgate Swap Meet in a Church parking lot in St. Charles. There I was able to sell a few old planes and able to pick up some real deals.

And for the last month of my membership there was the Christmas Party meeting, held in person at the Itasca Public Library. So, I went to my first in person SRCB meeting, where there was lots of free food, great deserts, coffee, pop and water. I also receive a 20-dollar gift card to Jewel which I won at one of the Spring meetings I attended. Then there was the door prize monthly raffle where everyone that attended won a prize. I won a battery tester and a bottle of glue. There was also a raffle (\$1/ticket) for a little RC Ready to fly indoor airplane, which unfortunately I did not win. To top things off there was also a table of "Free Stuff" at the December Christmas meeting and I was able to get a nice new Suburban RC Barnstormer T shirt and a few used props.

So, in summary the SRCB offer for my annual dues:

- 1) 2 great AMA sanctioned flying fields
- 2) 12 interesting Newsletters
- 3) Roughly 15 Thursday night Beginner Training events
- 4) 12 general meetings where you have 2 chances to win a prize if you attended
- 5) 2 Small Swap Shop Meets
- 6) 5 Organized Flying events
- 7) About 5 free lunches.

And I am sure there is something I missed but thinking about this and all the fun I had, I decide to join up again in 2022!

Thanks to all the Officers and Board members and other active SRCB members for organizing and offering all these things.

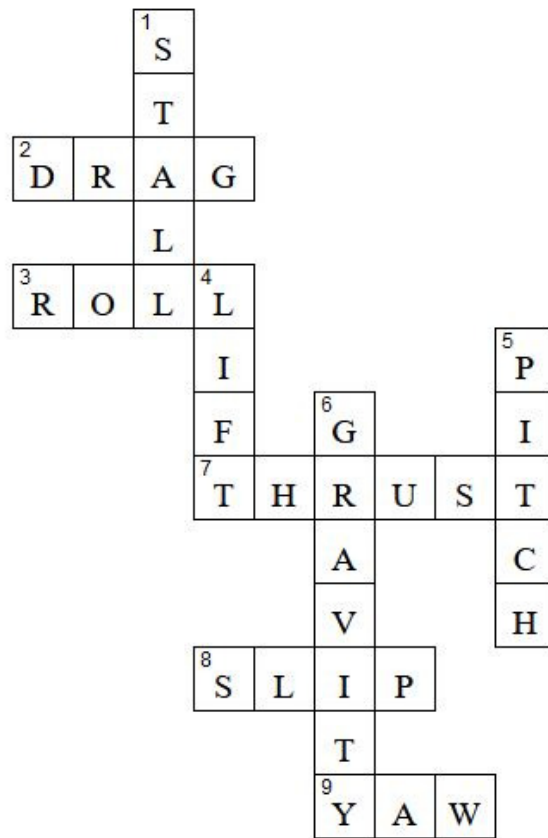
How Well Do You Know Your Aircraft?

Here is a little matching puzzle to help you find out! On the left is the aircraft nickname of well know military aircraft, and on the right are the model designations. The object is to match up the nickname with the model. I'll give you a hint to get you started! The P-51 was known as the Mustang. Bet you didn't know that! 😊

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| 1 | Aircobra | A. | B17 |
| 2 | Peashooter | B. | FW190 |
| 3 | Brewster Buffalo | C. | F8F |
| 4 | Focke-Wulf | D. | B29 |
| 5 | Bearcat | E. | F4U |
| 6 | Zero | F. | P38 |
| 7 | Mustang | G. | B24 |
| 8 | Thunderbolt | H. | P59 |
| 9 | Corsair | I. | B26 |
| 10 | Tigercat | J. | P80 |
| 11 | Lightning | K. | AM6 |
| 12 | Black Widow | L. | P-26 |
| 13 | Airacomet | M. | F7F |
| 14 | Shooting Star | N. | B25 |
| 15 | Flying Fortress | O. | F2A |
| 16 | Superfortress | P. | P51 |
| 17 | Liberator | Q. | P-39 |
| 18 | Marauder | R. | P61 |
| 19 | Mitchell | S. | P47 |

OK. Had enough? Here are the solutions to both the crossword puzzle in that last newsletter and the matching puzzle on the previous page.

RC Terms of Aerodynamics



Matching Puzzle

1. Aircobra → Q
2. Peashooter → L
3. Brewster Buffalo → O
4. Focke-Wulf → B
5. Bearcat → C
6. Zero → K
7. Mustang → P
8. Thunderbolt → S
9. Corsair → E
10. Tigercat → M
11. Lightning → F
12. Black Widow → R
13. Airacomet → H
14. Shooting Star → J
15. Flying Fortress → A
16. Superfortress → D
17. Liberator → G
18. Marauder → I
19. Mitchell → N

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