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THE JUNE 20TH MEETING IS AT THE FIELD!!

PRESIDENT'S CHATTER

WILL THERE BE TIME TO FLY?

I spent most of May getting ready and then fishing in Ontario so I missed the monthly meeting, Fun-fly, and the Spring fly-in. I did manage a flight in May the Wednesday after Memorial Day when I stripped the gear off my Cap 232 but, thanks to some parts and help with tools from some fellow flyers I was able to do a field repair.

Then on to June I have been sorting through three more estates that I have acquired. Bring some cash to the next meeting!!!! Some of the cash will go toward the runway fund since some of the items were donated to ACRC. After my expenses are met the rest of the items will go to the field fund. The wind and rain have kept me from flying much. Hoping for more opportunities this month.

That brings me to a topic for discussion for the membership. I did the spring crack sealing of the runway. Observation of the general condition of the asphalt is looking like it needs more than crack sealing. I will look at options before the meeting.

I have fielded a few calls sighting some safety concerns and rule infractions. Let's ALL read the rules, both safety and courtesy to help make our club a safe and fun club to belong to. This is a great hobby and we should be able to have fun each and every time we make the trek to the field.

I think we are supposed to elect club officers at this meeting so let's have some volunteers.

Thanks to Gary Smith we have a reminder to check the oil level on the mower to insure longevity. Let's try to check it each time we mow. Thanks to a great mowing crew our flying site is looking great.

Jeff Slater



Mike Reinert with his Muscle Bipe



FROM THE VEEP

It has been a windy and wet spring. Still, I hope you all have found time to get out to the field to do some flying. Near the end of May I took the opportunity to get my recently finished Ryan STA to the field for its maiden flight. The wind was less than ideal for the occasion, but I went for it anyway. The model is meant to fly on a single 2200 mAh 3S battery, but I wasn't able to get it to balance with that. In fact, I had to use two of those batteries connected in parallel to get it to balance at the proper CG. What resulted was a heavier plane that could handle the wind well enough, coupled with the increased battery capacity which earned me a 12-minute flight. The real challenge was landing, which was bumpy, but not a spectacular disaster either.

I was happy to have maiden a new plane (it had been a while due to the fact that I build slowly) and that I brought it home in one piece. Just a scuff on a wingtip and a cracked wheel pant to show for damage. The Ryan has flown two flights since then on calmer days with better success as well.



Ryan's Ryan STA ready for flight

The forecast for Thursday's meeting doesn't look great, but currently there is 0% chance of rain between 7-9 pm, so I'm holding out that we can have our meeting as scheduled. I am bringing a repeat raffle prize: the electric power pack and foam board combo so that you can build a combat airplane (or whatever else you decide to build with it.) Plus, I'll have a couple grab bags and miscellaneous tools to raffle off. I encourage everyone to come to the meeting and

participate in the discussions. We are a club dedicated to the promotion of our hobby, and whether you are involved in building, flying, training, or any other aspect, it takes your voice and participation to keep the club going. It would be amazing to see all of our current 71 members come to meetings so that we could be a more connected club. No matter your age, skill level, or experience, I believe there is something you all bring to enhance the environment of the club that can help it thrive for years to come.

Ryan Kontak

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Board nominations are still open this month, elections will be at the July meeting. Jeff Slater has nominated himself for president and Marc Tellevik is willing to serve another term as Treasurer. Training Coordinator and Event Coordinator positions still need to be filled, there are no nominations for these two positions. Contact me with any nominations.

- Current 2024-member count: 71

The next meeting will be at the Flying Field on June 20th at 7:00pm.

Scott Oleson



That's a lot of aerobatics in one place

SPRING FLY-IN AND FUN FLY

This year's Spring fly-In was successful despite misleading weather reports. A bit of a breezy morning had the 6 Fun-Fly participants busy on the sticks for the 3 events. They were: Jeff Flander, Joe Boettcher, Ryan Kontak, Mike Reinert, John Madison. and Jeff Smith.

A couple of planes were sacrificed to the Turf Gods, but the weather improved for the 13 pilots as the day went on. Several prizes were raffled off with Jeff Smith the lucky Fun-Fly winner, Mike Reinert won the Almost Ready to Cover plane kit, John Madison snagged the ARF with a motor, and Bob Moser padded his pockets with the 50/50 drawing winnings.

Lunchtime brought out the Chow Hounds for the World's Greatest hot dogs and Cookie Karash's famous Flying Beans.

All in All, a great day at the field.

A LOOK BACK

JUNE 2006

18 YEARS AGO

Despite a roller coaster ride in the weather department, the Spring Fly-In was a huge success. 23 pilots were registered and 19 trial flights given to spectators. Something must have "clicked" in the advertising department as the parking lot was full of visitor vehicles. Estimates were made in the neighborhood of 150 (or more) people stopped by to see us fly throughout the day. 428 raffle tickets were sold.

The May Fun-Fly had 13 pilots participating in 3 events.

A Fun Scale contest, Pattern contest, and the Scale Masters Qualifier rounds out the event schedule for the year.

Our pavilion is in need of a new roof. Darren Bitzer has convinced his boss to donate the needed materials. Thanks Darren.

JUNE 1996

28 YEARS AGO

Blustery weather put a slight damper on the Spring Fly-In activities, but the 16 pilots who braved the weather (and several who didn't unload their planes) had a good time.

A Fun Scale contest, Pattern contest, and a Float Fly at Don McGillivray's lake home were added to the calendar.

Tim Karash

ACRC MINUTES

Board members present:

Tim Karash, Ryan Kontak, Scott Oleson.

4 Members present plus board

Guest: None

Membership Report:

70 members to date including 3 new members

Membership lists are being updated

Treasurer's Report:

Income: \$927.00

Expenses: \$149.00

Safety Officer Report:

None

Event Coordinator:

(Note: some of these may have taken place prior to this publication)

Spring Fly-In May 18th, Big Bird Fly-In August 17th, Electric Fun-Fly September 14th, Fall Fly-Out October 5th

Monthly club Fun-Flys on the Saturday following the Membership meeting.

Training Report:

May 8th A father and his 3 kids participated in a trial flight.

Old Business:

Several board positions are up for renewal. Marc Tellevik and Jeff Slater have nominated themselves

Jim Van Norman's term will end this year.

The events coordinator position has been vacant for several years

New Business:

Scott Oleson has repaired weed whacker, and supplied a new gas can for it.

Show and Tell:

Tim Karash debuted the Binford 6000 Mow & Munch grill cart.

Raffle:

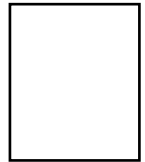
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| 1) Grab Bag | Scott Oleson |
| 2) Grab Bag | Tim Karash |
| 3) Bag O Balsa | Virgil Okeson |
| 4) Fuel Tank (gas) | Ryan Kontak |
| 5) Hex wrench set | Theron Johnson |

Submitted by Tim Karash



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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday – June 20

- ACRC Meeting-At the Field

Saturday – June 22

- ACRC Fun Fly #2

Thursday – July 18

- ACRC Meeting-At the Field

Saturday – July 20

- ACRC Fun Fly #3

CRCC - Coon Rapids Civic Center

