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Over 42 Years of Safe Flying

Madison County R/C Flyers, Inc Inc.

= 2009 CLUB OFFICERS =

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CLUB MOTTO;
Maximum
Enjoyment of
the Hobby

Board of Directors
Mike Sharp, Ira Sherman, Jon Fish,
Ron Pierce, Jack Dean, Joe Bays,
Tom Kelley, Rick Yeary
(present year and past year officers)

The Club meets monthly on the second Monday at 7:30 PM at the Anderson Airport second floor conference room. All Visitors are Welcome!

"Pit Talk" May 2009

Minutes of April 13, 2009 club meeting.....Jon Fish, secretary

The meeting was started at 7:30 p.m. with 10 members present. motion was made to accept the minutes of the March meeting as written in the newsletter. motion was made and seconded, and carried. Treasurer Ron Pierce gave his Treasure's report and it was accepted as read.



Old Business.

Jack Dean has been following up on new picnic tables. He has found a deal at Rural King on plastic tables at a price of \$119.00 ea. Ron Pierce mentioned that we would need 5 tables to replace the ones that are falling apart. Motion was made and carried for the purchase. (as of this writing the tables have been purchased and are at the field). The old picnic tables were taken to the point for a viking funeral.

New Business

Tom Seres brought up that the Converse club and Missisiniwa club are going together and putting on a mall show in Marion some time in the future. It was asked if the Madison county club would also like to participate. The show would be sometime in February of 2010. This would be held at the Marion Mall with the Mall people providing security. Tom would like to know within a couple of months so that plans can be put into motion. This will need the involvement of the club membership. A notice will be put in the newsletter as to our involvement.

Ron Pierce brought up that he has also been contacted by the Anderson Mall people about our putting on a show there too. Once again, we will need the involvement of the club membership to put this on. We will decide on this at a club meeting in the near future.

Jon Fish mentioned that he has received an application for booth space at this years Elwood Glass Festival. The dates for this are Aug 14,15, &16 we need to decide on this within the next couple of meetings.

Joe Bays brought up that the Anderson Extreme flyers club were making an fine effort to invite other clubs and friends to their flying field and club meetings. Contact Roger Seward for further details as to time and place.

Butch Hedrick mentioned that Battery Experts in Anderson has good deals on all types of batteries. Contact the store for your needs. Joe Bays brought in several videos on his pc for our viewing pleasure. Aviation related of coarse.

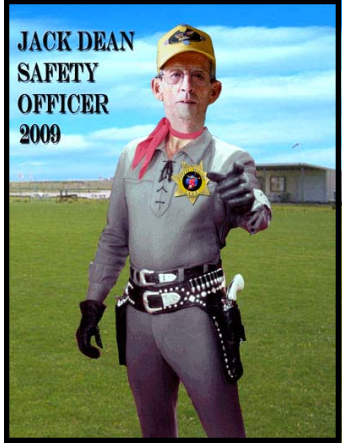
Ron Pierce brought up that the club needs to become the business contact for our club website. A few years ago, when Robin Runyan was secretary of this club, it was with his leadership the we have a club website. With his hard work initially and now Joe Bays following up, it has grown to one of the formost RC websites around. However, Robin is still the contact person and listed with our hosting company as the webmaster. Ron is going to contact the web hosting company and furnish club financial information so that the club pays for its own website and is in direct control. This club owes Robin great debt of gratitude for getting this started. Web editors my come and go but the club needs to be in charge of their own website.

Ron Pierce Brought in a 1/4 scale Lewis machine gun that he made. It will go on one of his WW1 projects. There were 2 candidates in competition for **"model of the month"**. Tom Seres brought in a scratch built "Box Fly" that was built by his 10 year old grandaughter. Though its airworthyness has yet to be proven. It's light weight construction should be of value. There is old addidge **"put enough power on it and it will fly"**. Tom said that rather than attempt to fly it, he is going to put it in a place of honor. he is going to hang it next to Jack Dean's picture in his garage.

Jon Fish brought in a Great Planes electric Edge 540. It is a nice looking plane, about a 40 size with a 50" wingspan. Construction is extremely light weight. But it also looks extremely fragile. Entire model with everything weighs around 3lbs. There was no decision on Model of the Month but i think the Box Fly is a definite winner. 50/50 was won by Ron Pierce, who donated his winnings back to the club. Thanks Ron The meeting was adjourned and general discussion took place.

Jon Fish, secretary

side note.....past club member Danny Williams would like to thank the Madison County R/C Flyers for their donation towards his son Brian's funeral cost. He would also like to thank Roger Fish, Jon Fish, and Richard Fish for their donations as well.



JACK DEAN
SAFETY
OFFICER
2009

Safety Officer Report

Attention Club Members and Friends, Don't jump the gun and fly your plane before you have taken the time to set it up correctly. **New aircraft** -- make sure you check the CG, balance the prop, tune the engine before coming to the field and "Make sure your name and address or AMA number is in your plane—you are **NOT** covered by the **AMA insurance if that info is not in the plane**".

For your older aircraft -- cycle the batteries, check the hinges and control links, servo mount screws and engine mounting bolts. Check the fuel tank for leaks, splits in fuel line and tune up the engine before coming to the field.

And then "**Last but not least**" **1.** fly with a friend **2.** Use common sense **3.** Be sure you have your frequency pin **4.** When you start your engine, be safe....PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE.....**Let's not have any more of these....** Safety's my Game, Avoid the Pain



Jack "see you at the club meeting"

Field Marshal Report

The mowing season is upon us! A few of us have been busy at the field (Jack, Tom, Ron and myself) setting up the new picnic tables, getting rid of the old tables, spreading weed&feed, getting the wind sock in place and mowing. Jack mowed the field the first time while I was off on a fishing trip---thanks, Jack.



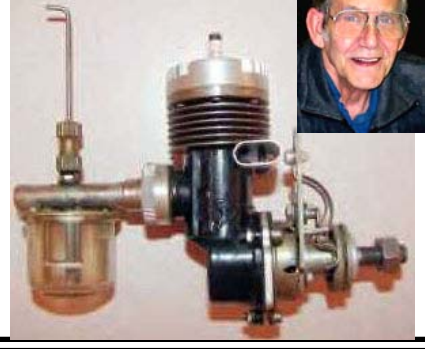
With the recent rains and the fertilizer on the field, it's going to go berserk. At least I hope so. There are quite a few spots on the field where the grass is very thin. The field is overrun with dandelions, but the "weed" portion of the Weed&feed seems to be working. The leaves of the dandelions are turning purple to brown colored.

The Geezers are having a bad time of it so far this year. We have only met on two Mondays, the rest of the Mondays have been too nasty to fly. But the weather is bound to improve, and soon we will be flying every Monday. Anyone is welcome to join us at the field. We usually gather about mid morning and stay till mid afternoon. We are retired, so we have no set times to arrive and depart.

Hope to see you all at the next meeting!Tom Kelley

Ron's Mystery Engine

The engine last month was a 1940 Forster .99 Super-B ignition. Can you identify this gem? Well, I will give you the answer in the June Pit Talk !!Ron Dailey



Hi Everyone,.....from Don Huffman

I am leaving for the Joe Nall Fly'in And will tell you all about it when I see you at the Field'; I'm leaving Sunday To Head North to Indiana. Hope everything is going good for You.

See You at The Field.....Don



Note from editor Joe... For you "Pit Talk" readers who might say, "Who the heck is Don Huffman ?" Well, it is true, that our club recently recognized some of our charter members who live locally and who have kept up their membership with the club.

Well, Don Huffman is a charter member also and he helped create our club back in the late 1960's. He lived in Elwood and then moved to Florida. His energy and leadership through the 1970's, 80's and even some of the 1990's has greatly influenced what our club stands for and it's attitude toward our sport.. He has been a very proficient pilot in Pattern, Jets, Scale, and Fun-fly Sport. He tries to attend club meetings when he is back visiting in Indiana and he flies in the Expert class at our fun flies. He has been attending and participating in many of the top model aviation events throughout the United States. "Don, we look forward to seeing you and we look forward to seeing you fly and we want to hear about the Joe Nall Fly'in and much more"....."you are always welcome to fly at the club field of AMA club 291 that your helped create and to which you have given so much down through the years".....Joe Bays, editor

VP RAMBLINGS.....When asked why he was referred to as 'Ace':— Captain Ray Lancaster, USAAF said, "Because during World War II, I was responsible for the destruction of six aircraft, fortunately three were enemy....."

Ira Sherman, vice prez



"Hey, everybody — watch this !"— *every redneck cropduster's last words*

P-47 constructon update....by Tom Seres

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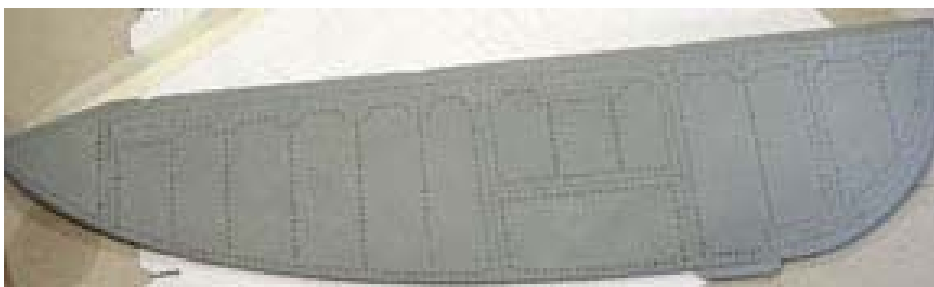
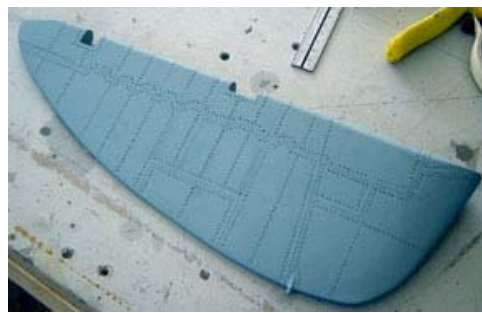
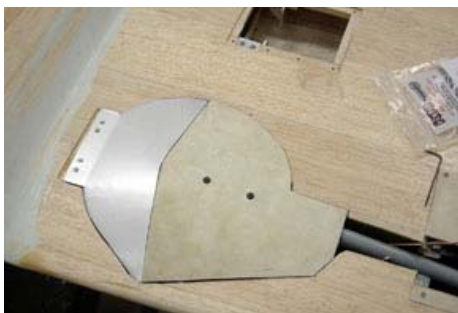
The work on the Jug went well. Made some retract doors out of Fiberglass and light ply. The Gear door inner's are made out of aluminum. I like working with the aluminum better cause I find it easier to shape. All you have to do is bend it to shape with your hands.

The closing mechanism is made out of spring wire just like some of the landing gear on the smaller planes. It took some trial and error, mostly error to get the timing of the doors to work properly. The only reservation I have with the setup is if the spring is strong enough to hold the doors open on takeoff.

Also worked on the panel lines and rivets on the elevators and the rudder.

I'm going to miss the next club meeting. I'll be on vacation. See you in 3 weeks.

Tom



Treasurers Report Income: \$57 Expenses: \$1131.14 "Flying is very similar to riding a bicycle. The only difference is that it is harder to put baseball cards in the spokes"Ron Pierce



Fellow Club Member Makes Donations: by Ron Pierce Russ Harshberger has donated two six foot folding tables for the Club House. These will come in very handy at our events. Russ also donated a great door prize. A "GWS - Electric Easy WWII Zero Plane" with an EPS Compact Power System, light wheels, safety spinner, and a color instruction manual. "Russ", On behalf of "The Madison Co. Club Members", I want to **Thank You** so much for your generous donations.

New Picnic Tables: by Ron Pierce Jack Dean had been shopping for replacement picnic tables and found a very good table at Rural King of Muncie. The tables were on sale so Jack and Ron Pierce went over and look them over and finding them very light and sturdy -- made by "Lifetime", a top quality product. We put 5 of them on layaway (a savings of over \$100). Following the approval at the April 13th Club meeting, Jack, Tom Kelley, and Ron Pierce went over and picked up the tables along with the annual weed & feed for the flying field. Tom and Jack assembled the tables on one of the following rainy days -- Thanks guys.

Flying Field Spring Prep Session: by Ron Pierce At the start of April, Field Marshal, Tom Kelley and a few helpers (Jack Dean, Bill Durham, Tom Seres, and Ron Pierce) meet at the field to apply the annual weed & feed. Well as luck would have it the club spreader broke down (un-repairable). Three Club Officers were present; Tom Kelley, Jack Dean, and Ron Pierce (Club Treasurer) and the decision was made to get a new replacement spreader. So Tom Kelley and Ron Pierce jumped in Tom's truck and went shopping. We ended up at Tops Home Center in Elwood. They had just what we needed (a heavy duty spreader) so Tom and I introduced our selves and told them who we were and where we were located and ask if they could help us out on the purchase of the new spreader. To make a long story short we got \$20 off. We load up the new spreader and off to the flying field we went to meet up with the waiting crew to finish the weed and feed. The Work Crew looked over the old, broken, and rotting tables and kept the only two good ones with the rest being moved to the point for a Sacrifice to the R/C Gods. The Work Crew held a short discussion about a "Blood Sacrifice" ---- Tom Kelley was spared --- this time -- grin !

The Ditch Cleaning: by Ron Pierce This past Monday Bill Durham agreed to let the Club use his wand extension chain saw. This made the task of cutting down the brush (which was starting to get out of hand) growing on the steep slops of the ditches a much easier and safer job. Bill and I got allot of it cut down and will finish the job next week weather permitting. I want to personally thank Bill for allowing the club to use his saw !
See you at the club meeting....Ron Pierce

Prez Sez by..... Mike Sharp, president

Howdy Everyone, Get out your note pad and take notes.

1. On June 21st, our club is hosting our annual Mid-Summer Fun-fly. Please mark it on your calendar and plan to help out. I would like for each of you to plan to fly in this event. If you can take off and land, you've got it made. When you are not flying in the events, we need your help with a few jobs on this busy day. We need door prizes and raffle items, so throw a few items together and donate them. Hosting fun fly's and swap meets is our way of making ends meet and affording our flying field.

2. A couple of years ago we chose to name our annual July 4th club pitch-in and fly-in in honor of Delbert Leisure Jr. Last year we couldn't find anyone to organize and head it up. Please volunteer to help organize this annual club event. We as a club need more social and family events and more usage of our beautiful flying field.

3. Mark August 14, 15, and `6 on your calendar and plan to help the club staff our club booth at the annual Elwood Glass Festival. We will place a signup sheet on our club website. Please plan to volunteer and do your fair share. This local involvement is great publicity for our club.

4. Please attend our club meetings and help our club plan its future. If you have an idea for an interesting program or show'n'tell for a club meeting, please let us know. It is a proven fact that attendance is better at club meetings when there is a published agenda with a tad bit of entertainment. Don't forget about the "Model of the Month" competition. If there are two ready to fly planes, so that those present can have a vote, then the winner takes home a Ten Dollar Check. The Anderson Airport has graciously let us use their upstairs conference room, so let's take advantage of it and show up !!!

5. If you monitor other clubs agendas or if you remember our club agenda a few years ago at our old flying field, then you are aware that it is very prudent to have one or two nights during the week set aside especially for new pilots and training. We have in the past published a list of flight instructors who are willing to help new members learn to fly. I have taught many many people to fly, but, I can't do it by myself. C'mon guys, Let,'s team up and make our club agenda work. Surprise me and come to the club meeting and volunteer.
See you Monday night ! Mike Sharp, Club President



Bar-B-Q Green-beans by Jack Dean

2 Cans green beans (drained) 14 oz. cans

1 Cup ketchup

10 Slices of bacon, cooked and crumbled (or- Bac-Os to suit)

Mix and bake for 3 hrs. at 250 deg. - or - in a slow cooker.

1 Cup brown sugar

1 Onion (med. size) or larger to suit (chopped)

1 Can Water Chestnuts (drained)



Madison County R/C Flyers, Inc. Membership Application



Proof of AMA membership must be shown. A Xerox copy is OK. You may mail this application with remittance and proof of AMA membership or present it in person at the next club meeting.
 Attending a club meeting is a pre-requisite for membership.

Name _____

Date _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone () _____ AMA# _____

Birthday _____ Place of work _____

Email Address _____

Homepage Address _____

Club Treasurer
Ron Pierce
 566 East 300 North
 Anderson, IN 46012

Do you give permission to the club officers to publish this information for club business and post the name and email address on the club website Yes No

I will follow all AMA rules for the flight of radio control model aircraft. I have read the club rules of the Madison County R/C Flyers, Inc. and I will abide by them at all times. My actions will always be in the best interest of our land owner and our club.

Signature _____ Date _____

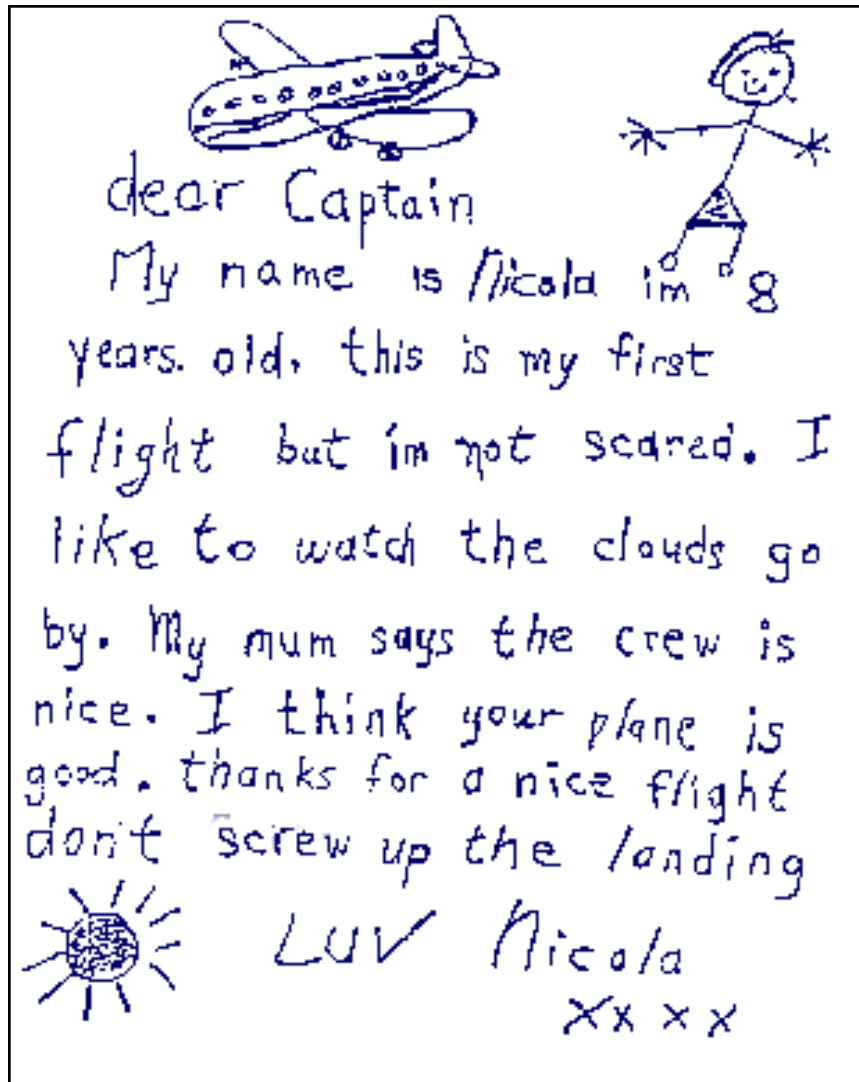
- () **Regular Membership.....\$30.00**
(Received after September 30th it is good for the following year)
- () **Associate Membership\$15.00**
(no AMA required and no voting privileges)
- () **Spouse Membership.....\$15.00**
(wife of a regular member)
- () **Junior Membership.....\$1.00**
(under 18 years and living with a regular member)
- () **Late Summer Membership.....\$15.00**
*(Received from August 1st through September 30th and expires December 31st
 Late Summer membership applies only to those that were not members the prior year)*
- () **1st Time Membership.....\$5.00**
(1st time joining this club. If received after October 30th it is good for the following year)



Furnish a stamped & self addressed envelope with your application and your membership card will be sent to you. You may also pick up your club membership card from the club secretary at the next club meeting. The club membership card has the combination to the flying field gate and club building.

The club rules and bi-laws and this membership application can be found on the club website.
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dear Captain
My name is Nicola im 8
years. old, this is my first
flight but im not scared. I
like to watch the clouds go
by. My mum says the crew is
nice. I think your plane is
good. thanks for a nice flight
dont screw up the landing



LUV Nicola
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