Hi there Circlemashers, another action packed issue of the Circulator is here. We have a lot going on this month, so pay attention. Number one on the list: Scale aficionado and all around swell guy, Jim Fruit is joining us on Saturday. Jim has agreed to give us a little presentation on the ins and outs of judging scale contest models. With our attempts to get more folks to attend the annual contest in June, we need to be certain we're running a smooth show for the contestants who are willing to make the trip. More flyers means that more people may be pressed into service to judge scale. It should be very helpful to those involved with judging to get pointers on evaluating competitors aircraft in a fair, consistent manner, so all the scale cats go away with a happy feeling inside at the conclusion of the contest. That way, they might come back next year, and not just to see me. **Jim will be starting his presentation at 11:30 in the library meeting room.** Please attend this event. It would be a lousy reflection on our club if Jim comes from Illinois to share his experience and we don't show up to hear what he is willing to impart. We will be having a late lunch at the pizza place across Main Street after the meeting if you wish to attend. Jim's lunch is on us, since he is doing us a big favor by making the trip. You are on the hook for your lunch.

On to more scale contest topics. The AMA has decided to make 1/2A scale an official event for 2015. The way I see it, there are ups and downs to this situation. The one big plus here is that it establishes an official set of rules. Provided the AMA rules are used, you should be able to attend almost any scale contest and not need to conform to local rules that may vary from one club to another. It also lends a kind of legitimacy to 1/2A scale that takes it out of the realm of a fun, additional reason to attend a contest (like a balloon bust or something like that) and makes it a more focused undertaking that may appeal to competitors in its own right (more like profile and sport scale). On the bummer end of this, the AMA rules suffer from some ambiguous wording. Let me say here that I don't want to hurt anyone's feelings, but personally I do not see electric motors fitting into the spirit of 1/2A scale. A big part of this event, is getting the little engines to run well enough to complete a flight in anything resembling a realistic manner. Well the AMA rules specify that engines used in 1/2A be between .010 and .061 C.I. displacement. To me, that rules out zero displacement electric motors. Also, this topic has been explored on the stunt hangar internet forum, in the scale section, with input from yours truly. This bit is worth looking into if you are interested in the topic. The general consensus among scale guys on the forum is that in spite of some confusing semantics in the rule book, electric motors are out for 1/2A scale. Some even went so far as to opine that if they are allowed, participation in your local contest will suffer. Another oddity in the AMA rules is the line size. The AMA rules specify .012 lines for 1/2A scale. What the hell for? A 1/2A profile proto speed model, which may exceed one hundred miles per hour is only required to have .010 lines, but a scale model bumbling along at half that speed, or less, calls for .012 lines? I think this needs a closer look from the rules people. We can discuss this at the meeting, but maybe we should stick to the Brodak rules for this year and hope the AMA works the kinks out of the rules down the road.

Also this month in the newsletter, “Name That Plane” is back. Dave S. had the only correct answer last month and took home a fabulous prize. There is a photo page from last month’s meeting featuring projects from two of our members. I have also included a plan robbed from the October 1982 issue of Model Aviation for a semi scale FW-190 constructed primarily from corrugated cardboard. Check out the web site. Dave has really done the club a great service in providing this for us.

On a sad note: Circlemasters founder and lifetime member, Bob Ponik was laid to rest in Beaver Dam on Friday, February 20th. Don attended the funeral on behalf of the club.

I will make every effort to be at the meeting promptly at 11:30 AM. I hope you will too.

See you there,

Howard
The monthly meeting of the Circle Masters Flying Club for February 2015 was held in the conference room of Geartek, Inc. World Headquarters in Delafield on Saturday the seventh. Thanks Mike.

The meeting was brought to order by Pres. Greg at 1:01 PM. He began the meeting by inquiring if all members had received the newsletter and had read the minutes of the January meeting. All members present (12), indicated that they had received the newsletter and had reviewed the minutes and found only one lousy error but other than that they stayed as published. The Treasurers report was given by Ralph who outlined the current financial status of the club. A motion to accept this report was made and seconded.

**REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Wayne reported that the application from the AMA for re-chartering the club has been filled out and attached are the insurance applications for off site events. Wayne also reported that the Town of Lisbon asked if our club would be available for our usual flying demonstration on Sunday August 9th. A vote was taken and approved for this date. This event may also include a club picnic.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Mike confirmed that the club contest will be held at Mukwonago High School as he sent the application back to the school. An attempt to add a combat event was finalized via a phone call by Dave to his brother who is a combat flyer who indicated that he would help organize this event. This event will be added to the sanction and announcements. Melissa asked for those members who will be participating in the Library display to enter on the list what they can offer for this event. Further planning for this event will be completed at the March meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:** There was no new business to discuss.

Since there was no more business to discuss Greg called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made and seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 PM.

**SHOW & TELL:** Greg showed a Flying Fool restoration he has almost completed. The model was originally built in 1968 and never flown.

Submitted by: Wayne M. Schmidt, Secretary 02/24/2015
UPCOMING EVENTS

Don’t forget, we have a special guest at the March meeting!

March Meeting: Saturday March 7th. Sussex Library. **Jim Fruit presentation begins at 11:30.** Meeting begins at 1:00 PM Those interested may adjourn to the pizza place across Main Street after the meeting. Bring your lunch money.

April meeting and Library demo set-up: Saturday April 4th. Will finalize times at the March meeting,

A note from the Vice President:

If you did not attend the February meeting but would like to display something in the April Library show, please e-mail Melissa a note stating what you would like to display.

Thank you.

Melissa Olson.MelissaB@yahoo.com

Here is the subject for this month’s contest. Do your baddest and win a prize, plus all the bragging rights that go along wit it. Last month’s entry was correctly identified by Dave S. as the New Ruler, a famous old time free flighter. Get to work.
Dave and Greg showed up for the February meeting with these projects to show us. I hope the rest of you guys are working on something too!

Dave shows us his current Magician and Nobler rebuild projects.

Greg and his 1968 Sterling Flying Fool overhaul project
Focke-Wulf FW-190
A .60 sized sport scale model from cardboard
WISCONSIN STATE CONTROL LINE CHAMPIONSHIPS
June 7TH, 2015
Presented by the Circle Masters Flying Club
CONTEST DIRECTOR: PETER MICK  262 377-6137  pmick82541@aol.com
WHERE: Mukwonago High School, Mukwonago, WI

• ALL PAMPA CLASSES WILL BE FLOWN ON PAVEMENT
• SCALE JUDGING WILL BEGIN AT 8:30 am. OFFICIAL FLIGHTS WILL BEGIN AT 9AM. Note to Scale participants: the Scale circle is shared with Stunt contestants, so static judging will begin at 8:30 am. Please try to register before then.

OFFICIAL EVENTS
All PAMPA stunt classes, Combined Old Time, Classic and Classic 30 event, Sport Scale, Profile Scale, 75 MPH Combat (4 rounds).

UNOFFICIAL EVENTS
Half A Scale using Brodak fly-in rules available on the Brodak Fly-In web site (Mufflers are not required) and ½ A Stunt (Two classes, Beginner and Expert. Standard PAMPA patterns will be used).

A PRACTICE CIRCLE FOR PAMPA STUNT WILL OPEN AT 8 AM
OFFICIAL FLIGHTS WILL BEGIN AT 9 AM
MUFFLERS FOR STUNT AND SCALE (OTHER THAN HALF A) ARE REQUIRED. THE MUFFLERS MUST BE STOCK, TONGUE OR AFTER MARKET MUFFLERS
Registration begins at 8 am.

Events: All Scale Classes
Registration fees: $10.00. No additional charge for second or third individual entries.

Events: All PAMPA Stunt Classes
Registration fees: $10.00. No additional charge for second or third individual entries.

Events: 75MPH Combat
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