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# At The Handle



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## Ramblings from your Editor

Dear Circle Masters, I'm back. Here to warm your heart with another lovely issue of the *Circulator*. The weather has been decidedly lousy up here in the hinterlands. Hopefully it will be nicer for the trip to see all of you this weekend. First off, does the AMA have your e mail address? They have mine. I get a bundle of messages from the good folks in Muncie on a regular basis. The topic of late, is still this mess with the FAA attempting to monkey around with our model flying freedoms. According to the last message I received from the Academy, they are working with congress again to have members exempted from the proposed rules, as we are considered "self policing", due to our having formal safety rules and probably more likely, because they know where to find us, since we all belong to a internationally recognized organization. I really don't want to be hassled with the FAA. Those wonderful folks already control my life on a more or less daily basis. All I can say about dealing with them is they give "I'm from the government and I'm here to help" a whole new kind of meaning. Funny how you never hear "I'm from the government and we are going to leave you alone, since you aren't doing anything suspicious".

What else do I have for you? I have taken it upon myself to do another updating of the tried and true "Freshman" trainer. Anyone who has been in the club for a while must remember the design. The Freshman was originally a primary trainer kit offered by the Testor's company. I think the prototype goes back to the 1950s, but I'm not positive. The first reference I can locate that mentions the Freshman is in an ancient book written by Walt Musciano called *Building and Flying Scale Model Airplanes*, that I received as a gift when I was around eight years old. It was an old book by the time I got my grimy kid hands on it. It's still around here somewhere. My first experience with the Freshman was back in 1998 when Don A. had one flying as a club trainer. Don's was a fine flying machine too, at least until your club vice president got a hold of the handle and did some turf removal with it. The club trainer was actually a redo in its own right. The late Doug Dahlke redrew a version of it, the freshman 2, which made it into *Model Aviation*, many moons ago. I have a set of Doug's plans. Anyone who knew Doug knows that he had strong opinions regarding how things should be done, no matter how off the beaten path his ideas were. As a humorous little note, nowhere on the Dahlke plans does it make mention of this originally being someone else's design. Oh well, no point in hurling barbs at a guy who isn't around anymore. One philosophy I shared with Doug is the merit of true purpose built trainers. I designed a slightly smaller aircraft in the late 90s, based on the same general concept. Remember the "Terraphobia"? That old girl earned its keep many times over. It taught two kids how to solo without destroying the plane, it soldiered on as a balloon buster, was entered in basic aerobatics a few times and by switching its MVVS .21 engine over to pressure fuel feed with a bigger venturi and ditching the muffler, it went over a hundred miles an hour in 21 sport speed competition. That flight was Erik's first flight in a pylon and launched his speed flying career, culminating in three AMA records that still stand, and a stint on the US international team. Pretty good resume for a plank wing beater. The point here is that few planes can rival the versatility of a good solid trainer design. The plan didn't translate very well to newsletter size, but it gives you a pretty good idea of the design. I'm working on getting full sized plans printed in case someone wants to build one as I intend to.

I can't let this issue go by without mentioning the whole date conflict debacle with the contest. The way I understand it, we are going ahead as planned with the contest and it looks as though we have pretty firm commitments from the usual suspects that show up year after year. Word to the wise here: Try to make it to the neighboring clubs' contests if at all possible. By building good will, the event you save may be your own. The Mrs. and I went down to the Treetown gig last September, just to help out if we could. The organizers were grateful for the support and we had a good time being ambassadors for the club. I bet they remember the gesture.

Try to be at the meeting, *Name That Plane* wraps up for the year, with some lucky contestant winning a fabulous prize. Come early, I'm bringing a couple DVDs we can pick from to watch.

Be there or feel left out like that kid who always got picked last when choosing teams in physical ed.

***CIRCLE MASTERS FLYING CLUB***  
***Meeting Minutes for MARCH 2016***

The monthly meeting of the Circle Masters Flying Club was held at the Sussex Public Library on Saturday March 5<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was brought to order by Pres. Greg at 1:05 PM. All members (12) had received the February newsletter and had reviewed and approved the minutes from that months meeting.

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Ralph K. presented his treasurers report and included a reminder to those who have not paid their dues to do so soon. His report was approved.

**REPORTS & ANNOUCEMENTS:** Wayne reported on the happenings of the latest R/C Association meeting. Greg reported on an invitation from the Pebble Creek Flyers to fly at on of their fun fly events sometime in July assuming there is sufficient room. Don reminded the members of the MECA Collecto to be held on Saturday April 9<sup>th</sup> at Ray & Dots on 68<sup>th</sup> and Grange Avenue in Greendale.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Regarding the Lisbon Heritage weekend, Don has been in contact with them once again. It seems that the Sussex Lions now want to use the flying location for a Saturday function and we have been asked to move our flying demo back to Sunday. It was voted to have Don sort out the dates as they best suit the club.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Once again there was no new business.

**WEB BUSINESS:** The web master said check for updates when you enter the circle.

All business having been discussed, Greg asked for a motion to adjourn. It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 2:15 PM.

**SHOW AND TELL:** Although unfinished, Wayne brought the “NEW” Bat Plane and Greg brought in the rebuilt “Putt-Putt”. Roger brought in an interesting Sky-Ray with throttle control, however he could not stay to explain it.

Submitted by: Wayne M. Schmidt, Secretary

03/25/2016

# *Upcoming Events*    **Go to the meeting...or else**

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April Meeting: Saturday April 2nd, Pauline Haass Public Library N64 W23820 Main St, Sussex, WI. Meeting at 1:00PM Entertainment and Fellowship at 12:00 noon.

May Meeting: Saturday May ?, Sussex Village Park flying field, weather permitting, Meeting at 1:00 PM with flying before and after. Dog show is on the 7th. Did we change our date for the meeting?

June Meeting: Saturday June 4th, Sussex Village Park flying field. Meeting at 1:00 PM with flying before and after the meeting.

Wisconsin Control Line Championships: Sunday June 5th, Mukwonago High School. Stunt, Scale and Combat events. See contest flyer.



Last one for the season, must be present to get in on the final prize drawing. This should be easy for you Name That Plane aficionados!



# WISCONSIN STATE CONTROL LINE CHAMPIONSHIPS

June 5TH, 2016

Presented by the Circle Masters Flying Club

CONTEST DIRECTOR: PETER MICK 262 377-6137 [pmick82541@aol.com](mailto: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).

\*\*New for 2016 – Profile Stunt (Expert, Advanced and Beginner) and ½ A Combat

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

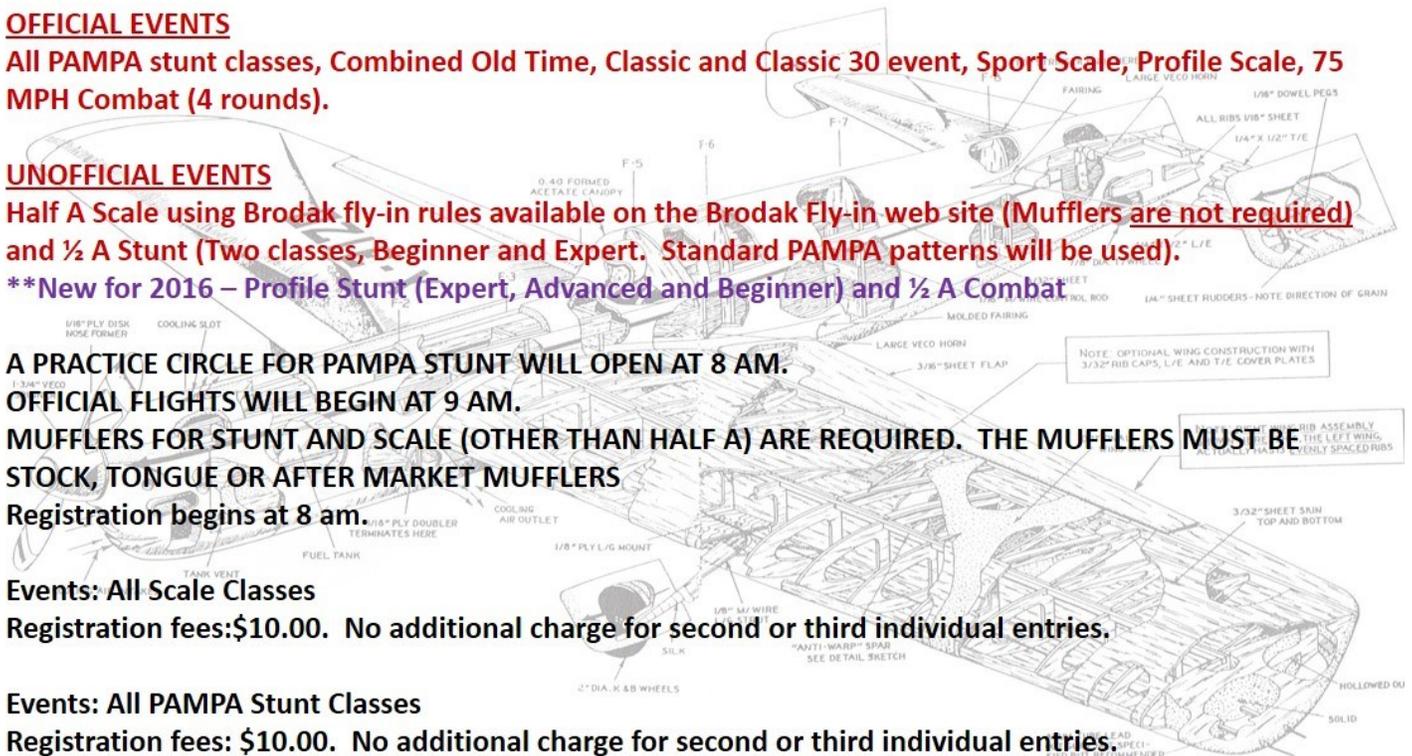
Registration fees: \$10.00.

There is no entry fee for Junior contestants.

HWY I-43 to WI State HWY 83

North 2 miles to County HWY NN

West ½ mile to Mukwonago High School

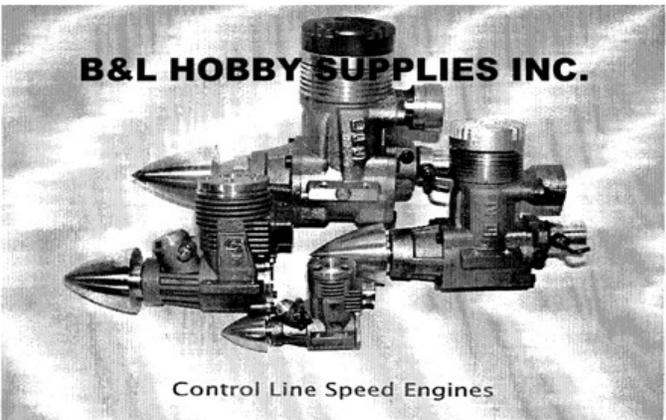


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