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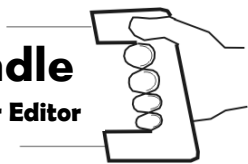


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At The Handle

Ramblings from your Editor



If you would like to contribute material, please submit to the address on the cover or contact me at (715) 697-8458 I may be reached via e-mail at clmodman@wctc.net

Happy New Year! Greetings Circle Masters and friends. Welcome to year fifteen of the *Circulator*. Yep believe it or not it's been fifteen long, lonesome years since I took over writing the club newsletter. This month it's a day or two later than usual. Sorry about that. I would fire me if I were you guys. You deserve better. Well while awaiting my pink slip, I will continue filling in for my replacement.

First off, let's thank Chris Sterner for taking over the lines as president. That election was a shameless railroad job if ever there was one. I don't even remember if he was elected or just kind of told he was doing the job because someone has to. What a good sport, however the rest of us should be ashamed of ourselves. Our other club officers are repeats of previous years. Someone should thank Wayne too, he shoulders the burden of secretary and treasurer. Then there's my boss, Melissa the VP, who handles our inquiries from people out in cyber space who express interest in the club.

What else is happening? The dreaded legislation requiring registration of model aircraft has now become law. At least the AMA has clarified the law for us a bit in making the announcement. The way the AMA explains it, control line and free flight models have been excluded. I wonder how that effects C/L scale models with 2.4Ghz accessories? I know for me, if I should fly such a ship, I ain't registering nuthin' I think the man has more important stuff to worry about than if BigHow has R/C flaps on a ukie model. If this law doesn't continue to expand, hopefully we won't have much to be concerned with.

Most of you know that I thoroughly enjoy the British modeling Magazine *Aeromodeller*. Once again I am so jealous. Traditional modeling must be much more popular on the other side of the pond. The most recent issue available here is the December 2017 version. In the pages of this gem is complete coverage of control line speed and racing at the UK NATS last summer. No magazine including *Model Aviation* even comes close. For the free flighters, there's a bunch of stuff in there too. There's a couple construction articles, including a full size plan for a classic free flight machine. Then there's an article about the history of glow engine development in Britain. Any one of these articles would be a miracle if it appeared in an American mag but they do this every month. Some of the content deals with topics that don't completely mesh with U. S. events. British racing is flavored by FAI team racing much more than the kind of racing we (used to?) do here. The diesel engine reigns supreme over there. Not many Yankee C/L guys are familiar with 2.5 cc team race diesels with the exception of the dozen or less devotees who practice this brutal form of racing in the U. S. These engines are as finely made as a Swiss watch with a price tag to match, if you can get one of the factories to sell you one. These guys don't really want you to have one if your team isn't capable of getting their mill into the winners circle. Think of a typical AMA racing model as a fuel dragster and a British racer as a formula one car. Both are mind blowing fast, but, they go at it in totally different ways. The closest the two philosophies come to matching up is in the area of Good-year racing. The big difference between the two is that American Goodyear models use two wheeled gear and the British allow monowheels. If you can find it, give yourself a gift and buy this magazine.

I hope you people are working on your entries for the club building contests that are going on. I haven't done much construction of late, but I will have something complete before the deadline. After the spectacular fail of my last design I'm a little gun shy to fly a autogyro again. Don't allow my phobias to effect your project. Get to it!

Just one parting thought. It's AMA renewal time for most of us. How big of a deterrent is it for a person who is interested in flying with us when they find out about the cost of AMA dues? We just got a message from someone who has planes with engines and all as well as a child who is asking about help getting up in the air. This guy has already asked an intelligent question or two, so they stand a chance of being real enthusiasts and not just tire kickers. When I have to speak to people who approach us, I get a little embarrassed when having to explain AMA membership dues.

Both of us are working on Saturday so you will have to carry on without us somehow. There's a few pics in here to help you remember what flying season is like. Make a New Year's resolution to send in some material for the newsletter.

Until next month, keep your stick on the ice.

BigHow

**CIRCLE MASTERS FLYING CLUB
MINUTES OF DECEMBER MEETING**

The monthly meeting for December was held on Saturday December 2nd.

The meeting was held at the World Headquarters of Gearteck, Inc. Owner Mike Strand graciously provided pizza for everyone for the annual Christmas celebration/meeting.

The meeting was begun at 1:15 PM by outgoing President Greg who then turned the gavel over to new President Chris. Chris then thanked Greg for his many terms as President. Chris began by asking the members if they had received and read the minutes and if there any corrections; the minutes stood as published. Chris then asked for the Treasurers report which was presented by Don as Wayne was absent. Don read info provided by Wayne. The report was approved.

REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS: Don read announcement provided by Wayne:

Wayne applied for meeting dates for January thru April. All dates were approved except for January. A meeting location needs to be found for the January 6th meeting. (Sec. note: Meeting will be held at Gearteck Inc.) Gold Leader Club discussion is not listed here. Refer to 12/21/17 email to all members from Wayne. Melissa reported on what is available for a library display in 2018 and it seems that we are limited to the display case only. It was voted to go forward with that.

OLD BUSINESS: Pete reported that the sanction for the club contest arrived but it listed the contest as a “AA” contest when in fact he requested “AAA”. He said that his wife forgot to type the third “A” (Hard to believe that) but all is well now. Jason reported that the he must contact the Park Board to get permission to control the weeds at our flying field. (Must be Pete’s influence here) A motion to allocate \$200.00 for weed control should the Park board approve of our request was made and approver by a vote. Jason added that there is no specific “Green” color used so we should submit a green idea and hope for approval to paint our field box.

NEW BUSINESS: A very long discussion on club shirts was held; no decision was made. Lisbon Heritage Week flying demo. Set for Saturday August 18th.

WEB BUSINESS: Dave said that he is working on updates and now has more time to work on the site, so keep watching.

All business having been discussed, Chris asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made and seconded and adjourned at an unreported time.

Submitted by Wayne M. Schmidt, Secretary

12/21/18

Upcoming Events

GO TO THE MEETING FOR ME, I HAVE TO WORK.

January Meeting: Saturday January 6th at Mike's shop, Geartek Inc. Social hour begins at noon with meeting to follow.

Swap Meet and Auction: Sunday January 28th at the Washington County Fairgrounds.
3000 Pleasant Valley RD West Bend, Wisconsin 53095 9:00 AM until 2:00PM.

February Meeting: Saturday February 3rd at the Pauline Haas Library in Sussex. .Social hour begins at noon with meeting to follow.

March Meeting: Saturday March 3rd at the Pauline Haas Library in Sussex. .Social hour begins at noon with meeting to follow.

Directions to the Circlemasters Meeting

To be held at GearTek, Inc. International Headquarters
600 West North Shore Drive, Hartland WI

From I-94 Exit at Hwy83, drive north past Nagawaukee Park to Highway KE (West North Shore Drive). Turn east, drive 2 blocks to Richards Road. Turn left, then immediately turn right into parking lot. Proceed to the center of the building.

From Hwy 16 Exit at Hwy83, drive south to Highway KE (West North Shore Drive). Turn east, drive 2 blocks to Richards Road. Turn left, then immediately turn right into parking lot. Proceed to the center of the building.

mike@geartekinc.com 262-352-0645.

NAME
THAT PLANE



Get a load of this example of aeronautical beauty and grace. I can't find a picture of this pile anywhere online, this one was scanned from an obscure book in my collection. Good Luck. Must be at the meeting to get your name in the final prize drawing. That is, if your answer is correct! Email your guesses to me. You are on your honor to participate only if you are at the meeting.

Remember Summer?

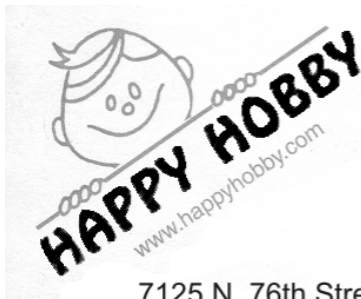


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