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At The Handle Ramblings from your Editor



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Howdy Circle Masters, we are supposed to be into flying season already but the weather is more like March than May. Next weekend is the annual contest so let's hope things take a turn for the better. Right now I'm trying to remember why we didn't just schedule the whole works for our alternate date in August. I personally have not made a single flight so far this spring. I know, I should hang my head in shame. At least I got my batteries and stuff ready. On the up side, you have some bonus shop time to get your club building contest birds finished up. Remember that?

With the contest looming large, we haven't gotten much else done on the model airplane front around here. No matter how I tell myself it's going to be different this year, We end up in a frenzy to get the awards finished in time. In my head I lull myself into thinking that when they are done being cut, we are out of the woods but that doesn't take into account the coloring and the magnet gluing phase. They should be done before next weekend.

Looking over my emails for the past week, I see the topic of ways to grow the club has come up again. Far be it from me to be all mean and hurtful but I noticed that the people chiming in on this are newer members. That is fine, God bless anyone for trying to come up with ways to increase membership. Now for the buzzkill: I suspect the reason why none of the 20 plus year guys are getting fired up about this is because we are a bit jaded from all of the past attempts we have made to bring in more flyers. I do think that we do an acceptable job of reaching out to the community. We have a history of putting on demos during the Antique Power show that goes way back, like forty years back. I found a program from the show dated 1983 at a garage sale and the Circle Masters were mentioned in it. Until the last few years which has seen a decline in the antique power show, the show was one of the most important events held in Sussex. I'm all for growing the club however I concede that I don't know a good way to do it. Control line appeals to a very narrow segment of the population and isn't exactly on the top, of the technology heap. Tech seems to drive everything these days. The glimmer of hope that I see is the increase in interest that has brought back activities like building hot rods and restoring vintage campers. Old tractor rehab has become so big there is now an antique tractor show virtually every weekend around the state and the price of these old timers has exploded. So some people are still working with their hands, which is what we need. I have tried to interest coworkers in control line flying to zero impact. The most common response I get is something to the effect of "why do this when you can fly R/C"? And mind you I work in a dedicated aviation environment. I see us falling into the category of old V twin motorcycle guys. If I have to explain it, you're never going to understand is kind of their mantra. Are any U/C clubs gaining membership?

John S. and I took a few pictures at the May meeting so we have those to share. Speaking of the meeting, Dave brought hot dogs and a small grille to provide us with lunch. Dave has done this twice now so can someone else step up to the plate for June? The VP and I will bring a grille and something to cook for the club at the July meeting. If you are the June guy, put out a group email stating you can do this for the meeting. Otherwise in the words of Elwood Blues: "you go hungry—bow bow bow".

Also in here is an old Goodyear racer plan. With a couple of mods like a Magnum/ASP .15 engine, a modern tank and a fuel shut off it would be a good candidate for the currently popular Dallas Sport Goodyear event. I'm always trying to get our guys to try something different. Sport Goodyear rules are on the NCLRA website if you are interested. You would also want to fiberglass the whole model with 1.5 ounce glass cloth and Pacer epoxy finishing resin or West Systems epoxy for durability. Also, get rid of that rudder offset.

See you at the contest. We can't make it to the meeting because of work. In fact I have to work until 4:30 AM right before the contest so take it easy on me.

See you in Mukwonago,

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CIRCLE MASTERS FLYING CLUB

MEETING MINUTES MAY 2019

The May meeting of the Circle Masters Flying Club was held at the Dan Tetzlaff memorial Flying Field on Saturday the 11th. Prior to the meeting many members took to the cloudy and COLD sky to fly. The smell of burned castor oil as well as used electrons permeated the morning air. Due to the cold, it was decided to begin the meeting early when Pres. Chris gaveled the meeting to order at 12:45 PM. As usual He asked if the members (11) had received and read the meeting minutes from the April meeting. All claimed that they had read them, and all approved them. No anomalies were detected. The minutes will stand as published. The special guest for this month could not make the meeting as he had to attend a wedding.

Chris then called on the Treasurer to present his report on this month's financial transactions. Treasurer Wayne reported that for the past month there were no transactions. The report was approved.

<u>REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:</u> Wayne reported that he had received a check from the AMA for the Field Grant reimbursement for the field box we installed last May. However, the check was made out to the Circle Masters R C Club. When told of the error, they said that a new check would be issued, correctly made out to us.

<u>OLD BUSINESS:</u> Contest CD Pete briefly discussed contest operations, awards, judging etc. Any members not flying can be used at the Combat circles as counters, etc. Please let Dave know if you can help him out; send him and email. Final discussions on the contest will be held at the June Meeting. Be There! The proposed changes to the Club Constitution presented in the April newsletter were not presented in the correct format and will need to be corrected for the next newsletter. Secretary Wayne offered to take on this monumental chore. He was not opposed. Wayne explained that he will be rebuilding the Club signs to house them within a vinyl frame with a Lexan front face.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no new business for this month.

<u>WEB SITE BUSINESS:</u> Dave reported that he is seeing about 300 hits per week to the web site.

<u>OTHER BUSINESS:</u> Mike has in his possession issues of Stunt News going back to 1890 and had offered to lend them to anyone interested. He also has some on CD.

There being no further business and many wanting to return to the flight line, Chris as for a motion to adjourn and this was quickly moved and seconded. Meeting adjourned at 1:28 PM.

Submitted by Wayne M. Schmidt Secretary/Treasurer

05/15/19

June meeting: Saturday June 1st at Sussex Village Park. Meeting at 12:00 PM **NOTE MEETING ONE HOUR EARLY** flying before and after the meeting.

Wisconsin Control Line Championships AAA contest: Sunday June 2nd, Rain Date August 4th. Mukwonago High School, 605 West Veterans Way, Mukwonago WI

July meeting: Saturday July 6th at Sussex Village Park. Meeting at 1:00 PM flying before and after the meeting.

KidVenture Control Line: July 22-28 at Airventure Oshkosh

August meeting: Saturday August 3rd at Sussex Village Park. Meeting at 1:00 PM flying before and after the meeting.

WHO THE HELL IS THAT?



I wonder who this ornery looking little tyke is?





















