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HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



For those who know me, I'm a big believer in tradition. And although Ed Runkel thought that *Holiday Snoopy* would be retired after his time with The Transmitter, I think that would be mistake, even if Snoopy is still flying on 72Mhz ;) So please enjoy our club's annual end-of-year wish and here's hoping that all things are bright for you and your families in 2017.

Although we have only a few days left for this year, the club still has a couple of things up its sleeves. First off, we will have our monthly meeting on **Thursday December 15th** starting at 8pm at the Eatontown Public Library. This meeting is both a week early and on a different night so please keep that in mind. As is

another tradition with our club, we will have light snacks and refreshments for the meeting to celebrate the upcoming holidays. Please feel free to bring in something as well that you'd like to share with your fellow club members!

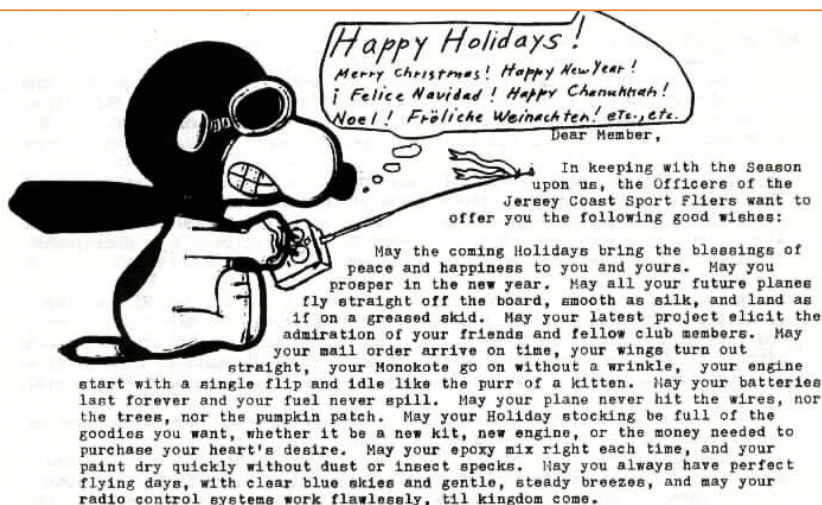
In addition to our end-of-year snacking, this month's meeting will also feature our annual elections for the Executive Board. While all current board members have agreed to run again for 2017, this does not mean that folks who are interested in joining the board shouldn't consider running. All positions are available, and if anyone has interest in a position feel free to reach out to the current board members or yours truly for more information. Final nominations will be taken during the meeting before the club votes.

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- Looking back on 2016
- New club bombs!
- Upcoming events
- And Darryl's meeting minutes!

On Sunday 12/18 we'll have our annual "Santa's Training Mission" fun-fly, hosted by yours truly. While there won't be any Sport Flier points for this event, there will be cookies and hot beverages—come on out for the fun!

Last but not least, we also have another club tradition to observe—the **Brass Monkey!** Adam Lilley is this year's CD for our annual any weather-goes contest. Unlike our other contests, this one starts at noon on Sunday January 1st. Make sure your gear is charged and you're ready for a few hours outdoors on the first day of the new year!!!





Recording Secretary's Report

by
Darryl Schlosser



Our **November Meeting** was held on the 17th at the **Eatontown Public Library** meeting room, **18** members were present.

Dave called the meeting to order. I presented the Secretary's Report and Stu read the Treasurer's Report.

Business

- Stu gave a detailed report on the financials of our **Club Auction**. Overall we did better than last year, however our attendance was off a bit. We discussed ways to improve the auction. Suggestions included: putting a microphone in the cashiers area so that we would no longer have to yell over the crowd, keeping the check-in area manned during the entire auction and tightening security for both entry and exit.
- Many asked if our **Bomb Drop Contest** was going to be cancelled because of the gloomy weather report. We decided to wait until the morning of the contest for the CD to come to the field and assess the weather conditions. We will publish contact numbers for future events so that you can call before you leave your driveway to make sure the contest has not been canceled.
- Dave was busy taking orders for our new **Club Jackets**. By the time you read this I believe the order will have been finalized and placed.
- **Rich Hanson** has been elected our new AMA President. Congratulations Rich. He will take the reigns on Jan 1st.
- On Dec. 18th Rob will host **Santa's Training Mission**. Rob says Hanukkah Harry will be on hand to share in the festivities. So plan to fly or just come out and say Ho!
- Our **Club Dinner** has been scheduled for Feb 4th. See more in this edition of The Transmitter.
- **Nominations for Club Officers** were opened at our meeting. All officers agreed to run for another term. Ed R. nominated all incumbents and Bob L. seconded. No other nominations were made. Nominations will be opened again at our December meeting before a final vote is cast.
- Adam will CD our **Brass Monkey** event on Jan. 1st. Come rain or sleet or snow or hail the JCSF will put a plane in the air. Don't be a woosie, alight from your chair, come celebrate, unless the park closes we will be there.

Model of the Month



#1 Jake brought back his finished Fun 51. This is the first kit that Jake built. He powered it with an OS-46. Nice Job!



3 Way Tie for Second Place

#2 Gary built this stand-off scale Mermaid from plans. It sports a AS3X receiver.



#2 Stu put together a Hacker 1000 Hotwing EPP. He said weight was 350 -375g



#2 Ken K. Brought 2 foamies for us to ogle. His F-117 has retracts and is powered by a 4C 3200 LiPO. The Polaris gets going with a 6C 3300 LiPO. Ken says both fly well. Keep building Ken!



Chuck won the Hacker Super Zoom Race ARF 3D Raffle Prize

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



2017 JCSF Membership

I have enclosed a link of the CLUB MEMBERSHIP – **RENEWAL** APPLICATION [http://www.jcsportfliers.org/PDF%20Files/Club_applicationREV12-2013%20\(2\).pdf](http://www.jcsportfliers.org/PDF%20Files/Club_applicationREV12-2013%20(2).pdf) . Please fill it out and bring it to the next meeting or mail it to me with a Self Addressed Stamped Envelope so that I can return a membership card to you. Please **circle any changes** to make it easier for me to update the files.

Unless you object, if your main phone number is now your cell phone it will be listed in our **Members Only** site. If you are **NOT** OK to put your cell phone number on our private site please note it on the renewal application for 2017.

Now that the AMA has changed the renewal from Jan 1st to Dec 31st to any consecutive 12 month period, it is necessary that we change our membership renewal policy. The exec board has decided that in order to renew your membership for the next year you must possess a valid AMA ID card with an expiration date of May 31st or after, for the year in which you are applying for club membership. So, in order for you to obtain a JCSF membership card you must have an AMA membership card that does not expire before May 31st of 2017.

The AMA is now sending all Club Officers an e-mail every month listing members in the club whose AMA membership has expired. Although we will attempt to remind you, it is your responsibility to renew your membership before it has expired. The JCSF **will not** be liable for any infractions of insurance liability. A **condition of your membership** is your current and **unabridged** yearly AMA membership participation.

As always, cash or checks are the only acceptable methods of membership payment. If you are already a member of our club you cannot prorate your yearly membership unless you pay the field fund fee again.

Your cooperation in all of the above matters is appreciated. Smooth Flying -- Darryl

New JCSF Contest Bombs

Earlier this summer a few of us were talking after one of our fun fly contests where we had to use one of the club bomb devices, and we proposed that, perhaps, it would be cool to do an update to our traditional broomstick bombs and try a retro-modern approach. Retro— that they'd look like "real" 500lb bombs, and modern in that they'd be designed and made with modern techniques.

Since I can't sit still when a good idea is thrown down, I fired up AutoCAD and drew up a few proposals, which my "review board" checked out and provided feedback. The first idea—a two piece design, was OK but sat a little high on the bomb holder and the pin hole had to go through the fin surround (I was trying to keep the overall length the same as of the original bombs). Plus it required adding lead shot to the hollow top.



Armed with feedback from my first attempt, I stretched the original design and made the fin surround square. This gave the bomb a more realistic look, allowed the pin holes to not have to pass through the fin surround, plus the bomb looked more realistic. Additionally, with this design I made the bottom of the bomb hollow, and the top solid, which essentially allowed me to print the nose weigh right into the bomb and keep the bomb as a one-piece design. And when I say "print" I meant using my **MakerGear 3D** printer to make up the bomb out of ABS plastic. The prototype was printed in gray plastic, but the "production" bombs will be printed in a bright plastic like orange to make them stand out at the field.

Recently Stu and Tom C. took the second prototype out to the field, where it performed quite well. With the hollow tail and pin holes the bomb had the added feature of whistling on its way back to terra firma. Nice! This design looks like a keeper, and the plan is to print up a new batch of bombs over the winter. Both Stu and Mark N. have 3D printers as well, so the plan is that the three of us will print out 5-6 bombs each for use in 2017. Be on the lookout for the new bombs—they'll be a blast (yeah, I know it's corny).

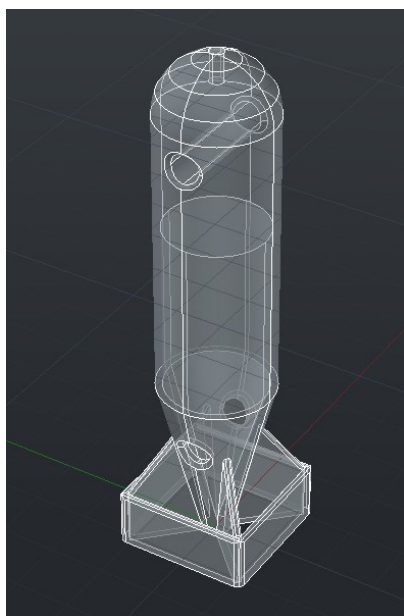


Photo by Stu Katz

2016—The Year In Review



January—Brass Monkey



February— Jake's new field box



March—Thanks Ed!!!



April—First contest of the year



May—Balls!



June—Manning the grill

2016—The Year In Review

(continued)



July—Electric Fly In



August—Hanging at the field



September - NEAT...



October—Pumpkin Bowling



November—JCSF Auction



Goodbye Charlie...

Upcoming Events

While the official 2017 club calendar won't be coming out until next month's edition of the newsletter, there are a few items of note that everyone should put on their calendars now so that you won't forget them...

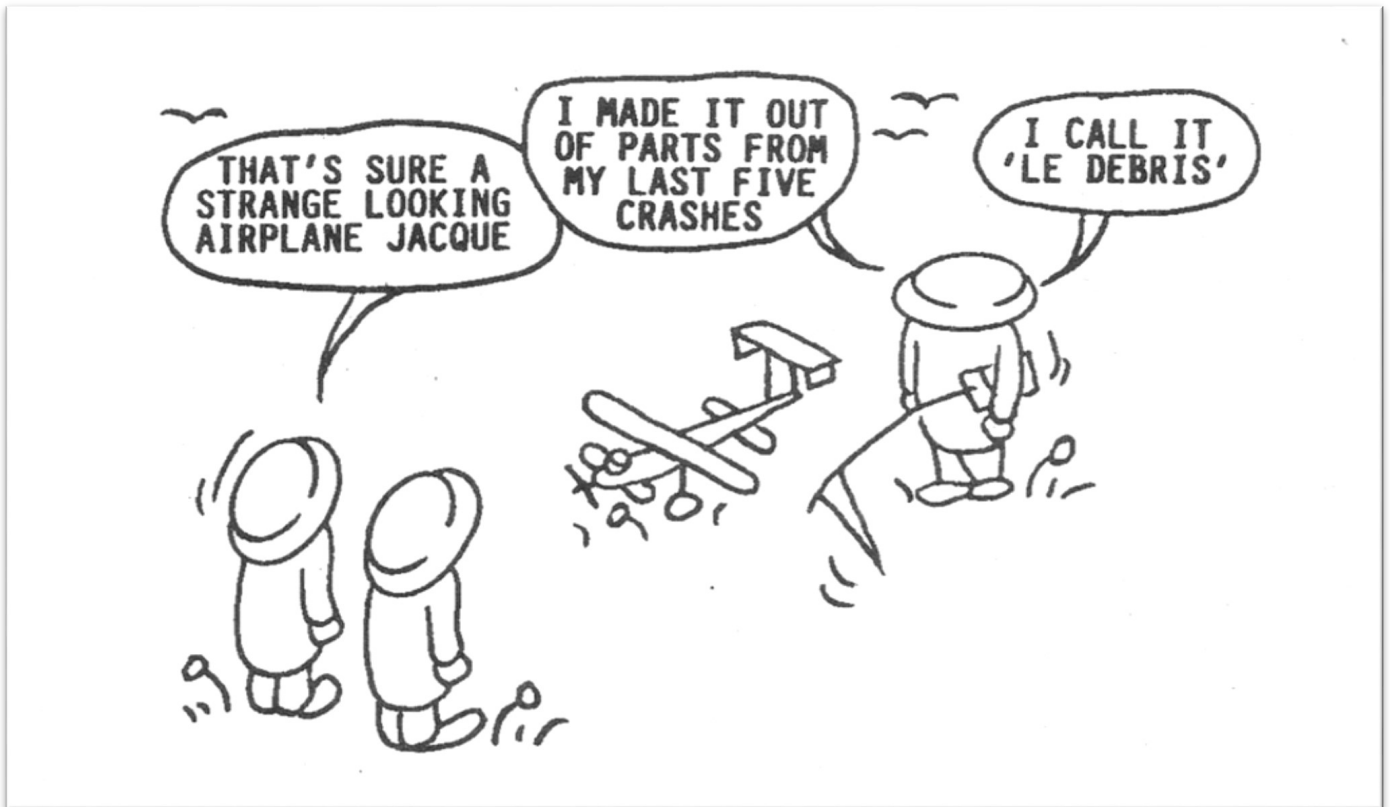
Annual JCSF Club Dinner

This club event will be held on **Saturday February 4th** starting at 6pm. We'll be holding the event at the same location as last year (new name though) - more details and the menu will be forthcoming shortly. Look for an email from Dave with the order form for this great night out!!!

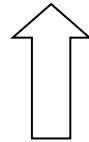
AMA Expo East

As many of you have likely heard, the WRAM Show is no more, but in its place those of us on the east coast finally get our own AMA Expo! The dates are February 24-26th, and the event is shaping up to be great. Tickets can be purchased ahead of time, and more details can be found at the following address:

<http://amaexpo.com/ama-expo-east/>



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Next Meeting – Thursday December 15th, 8:00 PM at the Eatontown Public Library. Model of the month and raffle plus Exec Board election. One week early plus different day.

Sunday December 18— Santa's Training Mission, 11am (Rob K CD)

Sunday January 1 - Brass Monkey, noon (Adam Lilley, CD)

Sat. February 4 – Club Dinner, 6pm (Freehold)