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### HIGHS AND LOWS

So, you might be wondering what's up with this month's cover picture? Well, this photo captures a very traditional start to one of our monthly Exec Board meetings, where everyone runs down to the host's workshop to see what they've been up to (in this case, my shop). It's common practice to spend a few minutes checking out what's new before we get down to the important business of running our club and making sure everything is planned out for the upcoming flying season. It's also a great way to get feedback from your peers!

So, I mentioned highs and lows this month. Yes, March has been a very mixed bag for the JCSF.

Starting with the good stuff, we had another excellent club dinner at '618' in Freehold. The Exec Board decided to shake things up a bit and try out some new ideas, which based on the initial feedback we've received went over extremely well. We opted to have a buffet versus a sit-down dinner this year, plus we moved the festivities from a Saturday night to a Sunday afternoon. Both were well-received, and it's very likely we'll keep this format again for next year's dinner. More info on the dinner later in this issue.

On the low (shall I say sad) side, we lost two long-time members this month. Many of you will remember Bob Zupp Jr., who was a long-time member who recently moved to Florida. Bob lost a hard-fought battle with cancer this month at a young age. For those of you who remember Bob he was an avid electric flyer and was a fixture at the field for many years. Bob was very passionate about the hobby and loved to talk to everyone about his latest and greatest project. I'll definitely miss his gregarious nature.

While we knew that Bob was sick, losing Chris Wantuck to a heart attack this month was a huge shock to all of us. Chris was one of those guys who maybe didn't fly as much as we'd like to see, but was always there to support the club and all it did. Chris was normally the first guy to raise his hand to pitch in, or as many of us know, find us a place to meet when we lost RBRHS. He'll be sorely missed.

Please don't forget this month's club meeting is Wednesday 3/27 at 8pm. We'll have our regular Model of the Month contest, plus please don't forget club dues can be paid at the meeting, as they are "due" by 3/31.



Photo by Mike Kouridakis

## **Recording Secretary's Report**

By Mike Kouridakis

Our February 27, 2019 meeting at the Eatontown Public Library began with the usual milling about and chatter about projects and upcoming events before Dave Mauger gavelled the 18 in attendance to order.

### **Business:**

Dave lead a round up discussion of the two recent events which many members attended-- the AMA Expo East at the Meadowlands Convention Center and the ATOMs RC Swap Meet in Hillsborough, NJ.

Stu Katz had us on the edge of our seats with his usual electrifying financial report.

In discussing ideas for contests and events it was proposed to develop a One-Design Spec Class for full-contact combat. This proposal was very well received so stay tuned for news on this for this coming flying season.

Dave brought up as a reminder to us all flying at the field that we have to put our FAA number on the outside of our aircraft. It isn't an option. You must do it. The link to the FAA registration site is: [www.faa.gov/uas/recreational\\_fliers/](http://www.faa.gov/uas/recreational_fliers/) It costs \$5 and only takes a few minutes to do.

Carl Grubkin brought to the Board's attention the need to replenish and replace the contents of the field's first aid kit.

The meeting closed with the raffle of a new Rad-Jet which was won by the ever lucky Gary Swist.

This month we had two model competition. The first was for Model of the Month and the second for Model of the Year.

### **Model Of The Month:**

This month in 1<sup>st</sup> place we had Jason Cline with his big RumBuilder flat foam 71" span B-17 very nicely finished in an OD green with Callie Graphics markings. Flies on a 3s 2200mah pack with two Emax 2210 outrunners on 8x4.5 props. Well deserved. It's a nice looking model.

Second place went to one of our most prolific builders Mike Cripps with his kit built Tiny Bipe made of foam, balsa, carbon fiber and rubber for the tires. It weighs in at 4 grams and is controlled by actuators on the rudder and elevator.

Third place was frequent Model of the Month winner Gary Swist with his UZI XXL EPP foam biplane. It made good use of carbon fiber for struts and bracing and flies on a small 3s 1500mah pack with an old bell motor.

## Model Of The Year:

First place went to Mike Cripps for his NEAT Fair award winning 1/16<sup>th</sup> scale Bristol Scout from plans by the recently departed Peter Rake. It spans 14" and is built of balsa and basswood which Mike cuts with his laser and also 3D printed parts and laser cut tissue markings all from the secret laboratory where he builds. Of note was the hand carved laser cut scale prop.

Second place went to former club president Rob Kallok with his Zeke's Park Scale Drake. As usual the finish of the covering was next level. It is powered by a Turnigy 480 outrunner on a 3s pack.

Third place went to the imposing model of Billy Newmann. Billy built a 4 meter (Yes! 4 meters!!) Gentle Lady. It is a huge model and is finished in the original Gentle Lady colors that some of us will remember seeing in the Goldberg ads way back when. Powered by a big AXI motor on 3s, the wing is in three pieces and Billy said it took 2 miles of Monokote to cover.

Fourth place went to Gary Swist for his well worn Northstar. Gary described it as very Steampunk with its copper colored covering.



Jason's monstrous foamy B-17!!!



And on the other end of the spectrum, Mike's little marvel.



A very cool, retro foam biplane!

Per our Bi-Laws we have posted a list of 2018 Members that have not renewed as of March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Peter	Bennett		Noah	Eggenschwiler		Vincent	Moss
Edward	Berchtold		Ibrahim	Gaber Ibrahim		Billy	Niemann
R Glen	Bonner		Eugene	Gavin		Eric	Pohl
Kevin	Coleman		Jonathan	Hamrick		Charles	Safarian
Scott	Coleman		Carry	Heck		Raymond	Taluy
Navjeeth	Daniel		Robert	Kennedy		John	Tully
Joseph	DeRosa		Ken	Kitchen		Patrick	Wells
Robert F.	DeRosa		Anthony	Lara		Stanley	Werner
Patrick	Discepolo		Ivan	Linden		James	Wilson
Dominik	Eggenschwiler		Michael	Mokris		Floyd	Wright Jr.

Click on the link below for all the info you will need to renew.

[https://jcsportfliers.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/Club\\_applicationREV14-7-18-ds.pdf](https://jcsportfliers.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/Club_applicationREV14-7-18-ds.pdf)

Remember, if you do not renew by the end of the month you will need to pay the  
**\$50 Field fund** fee in addition to your dues.

## 2018 JCSF Club Awards Dinner

As I mentioned earlier, the JCSF Exec Board thought it was time to shake things up for our annual club recognitions dinner, and thus far the feedback has been extremely positive. The first big change was moving the dinner from its normal Saturday night time to a Sunday afternoon. This was done to accommodate club members who have difficulties driving at night, and this change alone made a difference in regards to turnout. Secondly, we opted to have a buffet instead of a sit-down dinner this year. This also garnered thumbs-up from the membership, and from this writer's perspective it was extremely nice to have a choice of dishes rather than being tied to just one, plus having the option to get seconds!

Dave Mauger again hosted the event this year, and entertainment was provided by Mike and Sandy via an extremely popular slide show which covered JCSF members both at our home field as well as at away events. Dave has refined the hosting role to a point that it's now a fine-tuned machine, and many of the slower parts of the dinner from past years have been streamlined, much to the appreciation of the membership and their guests.

As everyone knows the main feature of the afternoon goes to the ***Sport Flier of the Year*** award, which recognizes the club member who accumulated the most points by flying, building, and/or just supporting the club in the things it does. To little surprise ***Gary Swist II*** again won this prestigious award— a three-peat for him! Gary was dominant on the flying field this year, plus he had a knack of bringing in models on a regular basis for the MOM competition, which all contributed to his outstanding performance.

This year the club decided to recognize folks for their never-ending support of the club. First up, the Exec Board recognized ***Stan Berger*** for his tireless efforts in running our first-class website. His dedication and the amount of time required to do this unfortunately often go unnoticed, so we wanted to make sure that Stan knew that we truly do appreciate all of his hard work.

In a very similar vein, the club recognized ***Kris Nettlingham*** for all the time and effort she gives in keeping club members well fed at our events, plus those outside of the local field (NEAT prep, for example). Everyone knows that Mark Nettlingham is the master chef who mans the grill and does all the behind-the-scenes work to feed us on a regular basis, but what not everyone knows is how much Kris contributes to that effort. Just the cookies that she brings to the field warrant this award alone!

In the end it seemed pretty universally acknowledged that this year's club dinner was a huge success. If you couldn't make it this year I definitely hope you'll pencil it in on your 2020 calendar when the date is announced as it's definitely worth your time!



Three-peat!!!



Buddies



Nice turnout



## Club Dinner Pictures (cont'd)



Thanks Kris!



Kudos Stan!



Three Amigos!



What a spread!



Nice pick Ed



What a smile...

Photos by Stan Berger

### Saying goodbye to Chris...

Chris Wantuck's passing came as a shock to all of us, and he'll be sorely missed. A member of the JCSF for many years, the membership will be forever grateful for his efforts to secure us a new meeting hall when our normal location at RBRHS was suddenly taken away from us. Chris was also heavily involved in the Elks, which further cemented his giving ways.



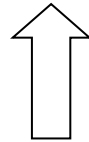
Photo by Stan Berger

### Rest in peace Bob...

Bob Zupp had apparently beaten cancer once when it recently came out of remission and took his life. Bob was a familiar face to anyone who has spent time at our field, regularly exercising his electric airplanes whenever he had the chance. Bob had left NJ recently to relocate to Florida, where his family currently resides. Thanks Bob for all of the great memories.



Photo by Stan Berger



## **First Class Mail**



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### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Next Meeting** – Wednesday March 27th, 8:00 PM at the Eatontown Public Library. Model of the month and raffle.

**Sat. March 30** – Adopt-A-Road Cleanup, 9am Dorbrook (Stu CD)

**April 5-7**— Toledo RC Expo

**April 2-7**— Sun-n-Fun Show (Lakeland FL)

**SATURDAY 4/13**— Streamer Chase, 11am (Bob K. CD)