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SPRING IS FINALLY HERE!

It's that time of year again— contest time! Yes, we had our Brass Monkey back on January 1st, but the season really kicks off with our first April event. We had originally planned to have Streamer Chase as our opening event, but rain the night before put the kibosh to that idea (paper streamers and wet grass don't mix) so Gary handed the CD reins over to me and instead we had a game of **JCSF Bingo**. We had an excellent turnout, and you can read all about it later in this issue!

I think Spring has been here long enough for me to say - we're actually having a nice spring for a change! Yes, it's been windy here and there, but the temps have been in the 60s (and a few 70s) and rain has not

been a daily occurrence. For our contest last weekend we had mid-70s and partly sunny skies. My point here is— if you haven't been to the field yet this year I strongly recommend coming out and bringing a few planes with you. It's time to shake the rust off and commit some aviation. Cycle your batteries, both in your planes and transmitter. Check over all of your gear and make sure everything is working correctly. Also, if you happened to put away a plane needing some work, check that out and take care of any issues before you get to the field. It's worth the time.

Our monthly club meeting is this **Wednesday, 4/24**, at the Eatontown Public Library starting at **8pm**. This month's meeting is special—it's **Project Night!** It's time to bring out those projects you've been working on, either recently or even something that's been lurking in your shop for some time. As usual we have two categories—sport and scale. The project you bring can be done to any degree, from a set of plans that you have been studying to a plane needing final detailing. The important thing is to share what you've been up to. We'll see you there!



Recording Secretary's Report

By Mike Kouridakis

Our March 27, 2019 meeting at the Eatontown Public Library with 19 members in attendance opened this month on a bit of a somber note as Dave Mauger gaveled the meeting to order and led us in a moment of silence in remembrance of two club members that had passed away recently-- Chris Wantuck and Bob Zupp. Those in attendance shared fond memories of these friends.

Business:

I read the minutes of the last meeting.

Stu read the financial report.

Darryl reminded those members dragging their feet that the time is now to renew your club membership and AMA membership.

Again we discussed the requirement to register and display the FAA number. It costs \$5 and only takes a few minutes.

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Dave reported on our participation in the Lebanon Swap meet. Stu, Dave, Bob K, Rob K, Adam and myself had a table there and tried our best not to spend too much. Adam had the deal of the day with combat ready Spitfire and P-47. For those that have never attended the Lebanon event you really should consider it. It's almost overwhelming it's so big. It's a swap meet on steroids.

Mark called to our attention the need to consider replacing the cook-top of the club's grill. The grill gets a lot of use at our fun flys and the NEAT Fair.

Dave highlighted some coming events: Adopt-A-Road was on Sat March 30th

Toledo was April 4th to 7th. If any members attended we'd like to hear about your experience there.

April 13th will be our Streamer Chase event. The Pilot Meeting will be at 10:45AM sharp with flying to begin at 11:00AM. Don't miss it! We'll be flying afterwards so come on out! We will also be having a Silent Auction of some of Chris Wantuck's planes with all proceeds going to the estate. Check your emails for the rules applied and photos of the planes.

April 24th is our next meeting and don't forget that it's **PROJECT NIGHT** so bring out that winter project that you've been working on and show it off. Balsa-Foam-3D (anything) printed-bring it! There should be a lot of interesting things to see.

April 26th to 28th is Adam's Annual Hole In The Woods camping season kick off. Day and night flying with our usual nighttime antics. This is a great way to get revved up for the flying season. Always a blast. This is followed by a short trek to the Ocean County Club's Auction.

This month's raffle winner was Jim Wilson who scored a cool Hobby King F-35!

Model of the Month:

This month in 1st place we had me! I brought out my recently recovered and repainted (finished this week) Balsa USA ¼ scale Fokker DVII finished in Carl Degelow's White Stag livery. It was stripped and recovered in Coverite iron on fabric for the fuselage and tail and pre-printed lozenge on the wings. The fuselage was brush painted with Rustoleum and the stag is from Callie Graphics. It's powered by a Turnigy SK3 6374-192kv outrunner, 22x12 prop, Castle Creations esc, Castle Creations 20 amp bec and 8s2p 5000mah lipos. Weighs around 23 lbs. Flies like a trainer. I flew this at Rhinebeck a few years ago in its original colors.

2nd place was a tie between Tom Cerqua and Mike Cripps.

Tom showed his recently built Guillow's Javelin which he won as a door prize at the club dinner. It has a 24" wingspan, uses a single loop of rubber and is covered in tissue and spray lacquer instead of dope. Tom flew it last weekend at Dorbrook. After some trimming, swearing and advice from Mike C and Gary it put in a few nice flights. The kit is made for ages 14 and up. Tom just made the cut.

Not sure how to describe Mike Cripps model. This was a deviation from his usual clockwork-tiny models. Mike brought a double (see the photo to understand) Jason Jets 6mm Depron F-22 which he got from Jason Cline at the last meeting. Mike said flew together with synchronized props turning in the same rotational plane. Uses UMX and BP Hobbies micro servos Emax and UMX motors both on 2s. Turns out this was Mike's April Fools joke. They don't fly joined together. He so funny. It should be noted that his accomplice Sandy sat silently by enjoying his deception.

Since there was a tie for 2nd there was no 3rd place.

4th place went to prolific builder and expert flyer Gary Swist with a beautiful Fiero ARF 3D model. It uses a tiny receiver, a Nippy Black 1812-100, Jeti esc, carbon fiber pushrods and reinforced landing gear. Gary told us that this was a Chinese ARF with no directions. Looked like he got the wings and prop in the right place! Looked great. I'm sure we'll be seeing this tail-dragging across the field soon.



First class



April Fools!



Old school



No instructions needed



Red, white and blue

RC Bingo!

Because of scheduling conflicts we found that having a contest in April could be problematic, so we decided to try something different— a Saturday contest! If the turnout was any indication we'll be trying this again.

On Saturday April 13th we scheduled our first contest of the year— Streamer Chase. However, this contest requires dry conditions as we've found that paper streamers and wet grass don't mix. With a forecast of rain for the night before, President Dave made the decision to postpone the event in favor of something less influenced by wet conditions. And thankfully he did, as the field was soaking wet the following morning. So rather than have Streamer Chase we decided to hold an old favorite— JCSF Bingo!

JCSF Bingo is basically a glorified touch and go contest. The pilot takes off, flies around the pylons, then lands and taxis over the "J" box on the field. They then take off again, and repeat the process, taxiing over the "C", "S", and "F" boxes. Upon finishing that they make one last lap, then land and park on the "X" box on the field. This is a timed event, with the shortest combined time winning.

To add an element of chance to the contest, upon parking their plane on the "X" the pilot then had to flip a quarter and get two heads or tails in a row. Once the pilot got two in a row then the timer stopped. Originally I planned a dice roll, but luckily for the pilots I forgot it at home ;)

As there was some early confusion about how the contest ran, since I was the CD I opted to fly first. I quickly demonstrated that the contest wasn't as easy as it seemed, as trying to taxi around and run over the markers was challenging. In my haste to make progress I managed to pinwheel my plane and in the process knock off the firewall. Ugh...

Next up was Dave. Dave made it over the first letter, but on his second approach his plane got out of shape and he busted his plane as well. Wow, suddenly we were down two pilots out of the original twelve, and were wondering why our loss rate was greater than Streamer Chase! Thankfully after that the loss rate dropped dramatically, and the contest had no further casualties.

After the first round Tom C. was the only pilot with a sub-two minute run, and was solidly in first place. However, in the second round Tom has airplane problems and had to switch to his backup model. This definitely impacted his time, and opened up the contest. Most pilots' times dropped in the second round now that they had taken a shot at it once, and Frank R. got on a tear, posting not only the second sub-two minute run but besting Tom's earlier time by eleven seconds! In the end this was enough to put Frank solidly in first place, with Tom taking a surprising second place, and Adam coming in with a third place finish. I think it was interesting to note that both Frank and Tom flew glow planes, which the rest of us were flying electric. However, I was still very impressed that Tom stayed in second considering he had to stop mid-round, grab his (electric) backup plane, and still maintain his focus and fly a very decent round.

Thanks go to Dave who helped with the scoring, Stu who brought out the pilot prizes, and Mark for bringing out the grill for the first BBQ of the season. It was a great day!



Photo by Stan Berger

JCSF Bingo!

Pilot	Round 1	Round 2	Total	Finish
Frank R	2:42	1:36	4:18	1st
Tom C	1:47	2:50	4:37	2nd
Adam L	2:10	2:38	4:48	3rd
Gary S	2:26	3:06	5:32	4th
Stu K	3:33	2:47	6:20	5th
Stan B	2:11	4:15	6:26	6th
Mike C	3:22	3:14	6:36	7th
Jason C	3:48	3:21	7:09	8th
Mike K	3:33	3:49	7:22	9th
Jim B	3:59	5:12	9:11	10th
Dave M	DNF	DNF	...	11th
Rob K	DNF	DNF	...	12th



Keeping score



Shot from the pits



Armed and ready!

Chris Wantuck Silent Auction (4/13/2019) by Stu Katz

As most of you know from email correspondence or heard about at our last club meeting, Chris Wantuck passed away unexpectedly on March 8th. The club was approached by the Executor of his estate asking for our help in liquidating his aircraft related items. This was discussed by the Executive Board both by email prior to and then decided on at the April 2nd Executive Board meeting. Since Chris's stuff had to be moved out quickly so they could sell his house we could not wait until the club auction in November, so the decision was made to hold a "Silent Auction". We felt this gave the largest number of club members a chance to participate, as bids could be submitted by email rather than in person at a live event that probably not all who were interested in bidding would be able to attend.

On April 1st I met Tom (the executor) at Chris's house and spent about 2 hours combing through his stuff and filling up my van. 26 items were deemed "auction-able", with the remainder of the items purchased by the club for later use as raffle prizes. Pictures were taken and rules for the auction were sent out on April 6th. Bids were drawn after the Fun Fly on April 13th. Members who stuck around took their items with them, and those items won by bidders not present were notified and arrangements made for pickup.

All proceeds from this event are being given to Chris's estate, which will then be distributed among several charities. The auction itself generated \$1,279 and the club purchase amounted to \$305 for a grand total of \$1,584!

Thanks to all who participated. For those of you who won aircraft, please consider adding Chris as "pilot" (i.e. "Capt. Chris Wantuck"), so that even though he is no longer walks among us, he can still fly with us.

-Stu



Many of you have likely heard that Bob Keibley is moving to the Poconos. While his mailing address will shortly be in PA, he will be coming back on a regular basis to join us at flying events and contests.

Bob thought folks might get a kick out of seeing his new place— check it out below...



Adopt a Road - Spring Cleanup (3/30/2019)

Our intrepid team consisting of Adam Lilley, Carl Gupkin, Chuck Safarian, Dave Mauger, Gino Stefani, Jake Mauger, Lee Stab, Rob Kallok, Tom Cerqua and of course me met around 9 o'clock on March 30th in what can only be described as spectacular weather in the front parking lot at Dorbrook. If you don't recognize me in the group photo, I am that handsome shadow in the foreground!
(Editor's note—I cropped out Stu's shadow before I read his article ;))

As in the past, we split into two groups, one starting on the north side of the road by the Park entrance and the other on the south side down by "Twin Lakes Drive". As we did last Fall, each team crossed the road where we met "en route" to continue their cleanup from where they started.

Fallen leaves from last year hampered our efforts a bit, but we still managed to fill up 14 bags of trash for a total of 100 pounds, and that is not including items some members took home as "souvenirs".

Thanks again to all those who helped out and looking forward to seeing more of you at our next cleanup in the Fall!

-Stu



Photo by Stu Katz

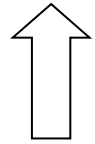
Scenes from the field...



Everyone had a blast checking out Jason's new foamie B-17 Flying Fortress. It looked awesome in the air, and for those who flew it she was a pussycat. Nice job Jason!



Photos by Stan Berger



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UPCOMING EVENTS

**Next Meeting – Wednesday April 24th, 8:00 PM at the Eatontown
Public Library. Project Night and raffle.**

April 26-28: Hole in the Woods (Adam L. CD)

Sunday May 5: RC Baseball 11am (Stan B. CD)

Saturday May 11: Pine Barren Modelers Float Fly (Forked River)

Sunday May 19: Club Flying Day