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RESTART TIME

Welcome back everyone! After several months of hunkering down with the pandemic, we finally got the green light to restart activities at the field. Hopefully most of you have gotten out to Dorbrook Park, maybe for a quick flight or for one of now regular monthly Saturday club meetings. In any case, as the summer is unfortunately now winding down I suggest taking some time to get out to the field for some old-school (but socially distant) fun.

Speaking of unfortunately, I have some sad news to share. Roger Trendowski reached out to a few of us to let us know that Bruce Busfield passed away in his sleep on August 9th. This took all of us by surprise, as Bruce was a very active, seemingly healthy guy in his early 70s. Bruce loved to scuba, and every time I'd run into him I'd ask him about his latest adventure, so his passing really took me off guard. Bruce has been a part of the club before I joined back in the late 90s, and he was treasurer for many, many years. Bruce loved to fly float planes, and would drive on a regular basis to any float fly he could get to. However, one of my fondest memories of Bruce was flying off of the snow at Dorbrook. Bruce would take the wing off of his plane, and turn it into high-velocity snow speeder (just watch the turns!). He was a great guy, a fine pilot, and we're all really going to miss him...



If you've had a chance to come out to the field on a Saturday lately you might think you've taken a trip back to the 90's when you look at all the guys flying. It's been a LONG time since we've had so many pilots vying for a flight station, and it reminds me of the old days when we'd have 10+ frequency plaques lined up in front of the frequency box for guys waiting their turn to fly. Actually, with all of our new club members those memories may not be available, and maybe it's worth explaining why we did this. Back then we had a system set up so that if a pilot wanted to fly and all of the flight stations were taken that they'd put their frequency plaque in front of the flight box, and if someone was already waiting then you'd put your plaque behind theirs. On busy days we'd have a sizable line. With the advent of 2.4Ghz transmitters and less competition for flying stations we haven't had to do this of late, but with all of the pilots on a Saturday it's important that we make sure we rotate flying time. It's easy to get in a flight, fill up, and head right back to the flight line, but if there's a lot of guys be sure to ask if anyone else wants a turn. If everyone's good, then go for it, but be sure to check first.

Club Meeting Minutes

Hello all! The flying season is in full swing and we've had a lot of great activities and one of them has been the monthly club meetings at the field. So far these outdoor meeting have been a great success. We fly before and after the meetings. Here is an abbreviated rundown of the last few outdoor meetings:

June 13, 2020 Meeting at field

This was a particularly well attended meeting. I forgot to record the number of member there but it was at least 30. Dave began with a recap of club rules as many in attendance were out of town members. We also did updated pilot qualifications to make everyone that was ready legal.

Stu reported that he replaced the old weather-beaten wind sock with a new one.

Dave highlighted the club Facebook page which is open to any club member. Contact me or Darryl to get access.

Dave spoke about the work I did during the Covid-19 outbreak and we thanked everyone for observing our covid safety precautions.

Model of the Month and Projects (non-judged this month)

Mike Cripps showed the Eflite Carbon Cub that he won at the club dinner raffle.

John English showed his Kondor ARF P-38 with a pair of OS .65 4-strokes and Robart air retracts.

Carl Grubkin showed his Top Flite Red Box P-40, 60" span, OS .91 4-stroke.

Stu Katz showed the Aerostar 40 converted to a tail dragger and electric using a Turnigy 3548-900kv with lots of trick 3D printed parts.

Rob Kalloq showed the bones of his Megawatt designed by TomHunt in 1995. It has built up wing ribs, 80" span, Axi motor, Castly esc on 6s. It has internal lighting and 3D printed parts. Can't wait to see this on fly.

Carlos Molina showed his Nick Zirola Do-17.

July 18, 2020 Meeting at field

Skipping Dave's opening remarks, Stu's financials and my review.

Dave reviewed the Pine Barons Warbird Meet in south Jersey.

Frank Beshears flew a big Piper Cub. I think it was 1/5th scale.

Dave Mauger flew his Mentor.

Mike Kouridakis (me) flew a 1/4 scale Eindecker and a 1600mm F7F Tigercat.

Adam Lilley flew his 40% L4 (so did I!) and his 1/5th P-47 which had grass stains on the prop tips by the end of the day!

July Meeting Pictures



RC Baseball-July 26, 2020

By Stan Berger

Beautiful blue skies and puffy white clouds dominated the summer sky for our July 2020 edition of RC Baseball but it was the heat that made the big weather headlines for the day. The thermometer reached well into the nineties during our contest although the wind did manage to provide some occasional relief. The winds were brisk and mostly cross wind except for each time that Tom flew when they blew ever so gently down runway center.

All together we had ten pilots who participated in a fun outing that almost made us forget about the chaos presently going on in the world. Through the sixth inning both teams seemed to be evenly matched but Dave's team "Thanks A lot" found their groove in the seventh and eventually went on to defeat Rob's squad "I'll have the Soup" by a score of 9-4.

On the day there were 57 total at bats consisting of 26 outs, 9 double plays, 2 singles, 4 doubles, 10 triples, and 6 home runs. Tom Cerqua took high honors with 16 individual sport flier points edging out Stan Berger who racked up 13 points followed by Jason Cline coming in third with a total of 12 points.

Social distancing was still in place but it certainly didn't dampen the spirits of all who attended. Absent was our traditional burgers and dogs lunch break but being able to reconnect with friends and enjoy our hobby again did wonders for the soul. Thank you Sandy for keeping score and to everyone who participated.

| July 26, 2020 | | | | | | | | | | |
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| LEGEND | HR | 3B | 2B | 1B | OUT | 2 OUT | | | | |
| "Thanks A lot"-Captain Dave Mauger | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | TOTALS |
| Jason C | OUT | OUT | | HR | | OUT | HR | HR | | 12 |
| Dave M | OUT | OUT | | 2 OUT | | OUT | 2B | 3B | | 5 |
| Tom C | HR | | HR | OUT | | 3B | 3B | 2B | | 16 |
| Mike C | 2 OUT | | 2 OUT | | 2 OUT | 3B | 3B | OUT | | 6 |
| Larry | | OUT | OUT | | OUT | OUT | OUT | X | | 0 |
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| | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 9 |
| "I'll have the Soup"-Captain Rob Kallok | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | TOTALS |
| Stu K | 2B | 1B | 2 OUT | | OUT | 2 OUT | OUT | | OUT | 3 |
| Mike K | OUT | OUT | | OUT | 1B | | OUT | 2 OUT | OUT | 1 |
| Stan B | 3B | 3B | | OUT | 3B | | HR | OUT | | 13 |
| Rob K | 2 OUT | OUT | | 2B | 2 OUT | | 3B | | 3B | 8 |
| Darryl S | | OUT | OUT | X | X | X | X | X | X | 0 |
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Road Trip!!!

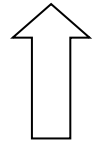
As most of you know, a large contingent of JCSF members makes the trip to NEAT Fair each September, and we set up a sizable presence there. For many years Mark Nettlingham brought all of the kitchen gear to the show, to the point that he couldn't bring anything else. We changed that last year, with everyone splitting up the gear, but that caused its own problems. Mike K. suggested that we investigate buying a trailer, and as it turns out one of our flying buddies was selling one—perfect size and a good price. The only rub was that it was up in Michigan.

While we originally thought we could arrange for an exchange in the middle, things conspired about against that plan, and a road trip was deemed the only way to go. Since Stu planned to tow the trailer to NEAT he also offered to take the ride to Michigan with me, so the trip was on! With the pandemic complicating things just a bit, we decided that a marathon drive would be the way to go. Thankfully our friend who sold us the trailer also offered to let us crash at his place so that we could get a few hours of sleep (he was away so he didn't have to worry about us sharing anything from NJ). So the trip was on!!!

On Friday July 31st we hit the road mid-morning, and quickly found ourselves in the midst of a 5+ hour trip though Pennsylvania. We took Route 80 all the way from Jersey, through PA and Ohio and up into Michigan. Between gas stop, bathroom breaks, and grabbing snacks the 700 mile trip to Michigan took about thirteen hours, rolling into Oxford around 11pm. We grabbed our sleeping bags, found some couches, and crashed for the night.

Next day I got up and swapped out the existing seven-pin connector on the trailer for a four-pin version that would work with both Stu's and my vehicle, hooked up, and hit the road! However, we first made a detour before getting back on the interstate. Most modelers recall Depron, and how it's no longer available in the states. A close replacement called Model Plane Foam (MPF) was introduced and works very well in place of Depron. The only problem with these materials is that they are expensive to ship, as you're essentially shipping a large box of air. However... the gentleman who sells MPF also lived only a few miles from where we picked up the trailer, so I made arrangements with him to buy some foam while we were out there. Since we had an empty trailer we had plenty of room for boxes. After picking up our foam and expressing our appreciation for meeting us on a Saturday we hit the road for home. The forecast called for nice weather on the way home, which turned out to be a joke as the rain started in Michigan and it poured through Ohio and most of PA. However we had a plan to get a break—stop by Bob Keibley's new house in the Poconos! It turns out that Bob's house is a few miles off of Route 80 so we stopped by for a bathroom break and dinner. Adam was also there for the weekend and they had pizza waiting for us so we got in some food and a lot of stretching. However we couldn't stay too long so soon we were back on the road for the final sprint home. We pulled up to my house at 12:30AM on Sunday so technically I guess this was a three-day trip but I'm still going with two - it was less than 48 hours so that seems fair. To say I slept well that night would be an understatement! But now we have a nice new (to us) trailer all ready for NEAT!!!





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UPCOMING EVENTS

Next Meeting: Saturday August 30 @ 2pm. Dorbrook Park. Project Day and raffle.

Wed September 9: Mid-Week Fun Fly (Dorbrook Park)

September 11— 20: NEAT Week!!! (Shinhopple NY)