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SWEET SUMMERTIME

I'll be honest—I don't like to complain about how hot it gets during the summer. I wait all winter (and springtime too) for summertime, when we can go out in shorts and t-shirts and it doesn't get dark until 9pm. But boy, I have to admit that it's been pretty darn hot and humid lately around here. Someone commented that it feels like late August, and I have to agree. But at the same time, we are having fun, getting out to the field, and attending a bunch of events that last year weren't happening. So if I have a choice between summer 2020 and summer 2021 I'll take 2021—thank you very much!

I do have some sad news to pass along. We've unfortunately lost another founding member, Larry Cressman. Larry passed away on July 13th at the

age of 92. The picture above of Larry brings back lots of memories of the many scale planes he built and flew at our field. A fantastic craftsman, Larry seemed to always have something cool. I was looking back at a lot of historical photos from the early years of the JCSF, and naturally Larry was in a lot of them. I saw a pic of the Westland Whirlwind that he built—a giant scale gas job, and I thought of all the time and effort to get that particular plane ready for flight (and the b@lls to fly it as well). A club that's been around as long as ours has will unfortunately lose key members as time moves on. Let's remember them and keep in touch with those who are still around.



Hopefully everyone has heard the good news that our meetings at the Eatontown library are back! Stan has updated the club calendar on our website, and we're good through this year (and I believe into 2022 as well). Our first meeting will be **Wednesday July 28th at 8pm**. It would be great if we had a strong turnout for our first meeting indoors in over a year. We'll be having our regular Model of the Month contest, so please be sure to bring out your latest work to share.

We're at the midpoint of the summer, and there's still a lot of fun to be had. Check out the back cover for details, but be sure to come out for our **club picnic on Sunday August 8th** starting at noon. The club will provide hot dogs, hamburgers and drinks, and we encourage members to bring out side dishes, desserts and snacks. As is tradition you're welcome to bring family members to the picnic, and planes are welcome too. We also have our **JCSF Open House coming up on Saturday August 21st**. For this event we ask all of our members to bring out planes to display and fly, and the more the better. Planes of all type and varieties are encouraged— this is our chance to show the community how cool our hobby is.

June Meeting Photos

As it turns out for our last meeting at Dorbrook we had a good turnout but forgot to take notes. However, we have photos of the Model of the Month entries, and John Tomaino took the win with his SunFli. Nicely done!



John's SunFli



Mike's new micro



Raffle prize winner!

Musical Chairs -CD Stu Katz

July 3rd 2021

It rained, but we had the contest anyway! There was a slight drizzle throughout the morning of Saturday, July 3rd which kept all but (3) members from showing up for the contest. By unanimous vote, we decided to hold the contest anyway, and although I usually don't participate in the contests I CD, I did so for this one to round out the playing field.

Three rounds were flown, with scores and ranking as follows.

Contestant	Total Pts	Ranking
Tom Cerqua	13	1
Adam Lilley	10	2
Dave Mauger	4	3
Stu Katz	4	4

For those of you who don't know, this contest is based loosely on the children's game, "Musical Chairs". Pilots circle the field and at random times set by the CD land and vie for "chairs" painted on the field with one less chair than pilot marked as "eligible". Points are awarded for each pilot successfully seated and then one chair and pilot removed until the last flight with only one chair and two pilots remain.

In addition to CD'ing the contest and participating, I provided, as usual, the fun fly prizes.

17th Annual Norm Hils Electric Fly-In

Technically this year's event should have been #18, but unfortunately due to COVID we had to cancel last year's show, so it turns out that this year was our 17th time running this event. And it was great to have it again with all of our friends in attendance.

Saturday dawned bright and clear, and as the morning rolled on the pilots continued to arrive. By mid-day we had about eighteen pilots in attendance, and a full flight line to boot. While the pilots were enjoying the excellent conditions we prepared a BBQ lunch and around noon folks took a break to have some food and recharge. After lunch the weather started to turn a bit, and by the time we were considering grabbing some dinner the clouds had moved in and light rain started. Those who were left quickly packed up and a number of us headed over to the Pour House to have some dinner and talk about the next events coming up. By and large everyone had a great time and we're looking forward to next year's 18th running of this popular fly-in.



Balls!

By Tom Cerqua

The Balls contest on 6/13 began promptly at 11:00am, and went off without a hitch. Seven pilots participated in this fast moving action packed event. The contest consisted of dropping a tennis ball from your plane attempting to score points through various methods. A whopping seven rounds were flown, with the event ending about 1:20pm. Adam and Stan took the early lead with a total of 167 & 161 points respectively, but were quickly dispatched in the 4th round by Tom, who scored a ridiculous 462 points in one go. There were still three more rounds to be flown, but he would not be caught. It wrapped up with pizza and prizes for all.

<u>Pilot</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Place</u>
Tom	957	1st
Adam	426	2nd
Stan	389	3rd
Rob	171	4th
Mike	25	5th
Lee	-50	6th
Dave	—	DNF



Pilots Meeting



Release!



Going for the points



Such concentration!



Yummy but we miss Mark



The happy crew!

Warwick 2021

A tradition the weekend after Father's Day, the Warwick electric fly-in was a quieter affair this year as the BCSF wanted to keep the show a bit smaller with COVID still on everyone's minds. However that didn't quell our enthusiasm, and a large contingent of JCSF members descended on the small airport that hosts the show for a weekend of camping, flying and catching up with friends.

While there are several excellent aspects of this event, two stand out—the lake and the [Cancun Inn](#). Because of the former, we get to fly off of the water, which is a great treat. And with the latter, we get to dine on some of the best Mexican food we know of. Plus the staff and owner is absolutely fantastic! We've been going to dinner there on Saturday for at least seven years.

Back to the lake, we did have one problem—weeds!!! Our usual take off location was choked with all kinds of vegetation, and if you had any kind of water rudder it was a problem. However, the weeds weren't counting on one thing—Chuck Safarian! Chuck grabbed the recovery kayak that Carlos had brought, paddled out, and started pulling weeds. Before we knew it we had a clear path out to the open water. Chuck then stayed out on the water and recovered planes that ran into problem. Chuck was THE MAN that day!

A lot of guys from other clubs who attend NEAT with us also come to Warwick, and we used the time to catch up and plot a bit for the upcoming September event. Also Bob Keibley made the trek from his home in the Poconos and spent the weekend with us, which was most excellent. All in all we had a fantastic time, and if you haven't checked out this event before I suggest you talk to us about coming in 2022.



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Home sweet home...



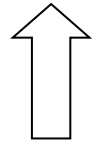
Old friends :)

Warbirds over Delaware 2021

By Adam Lilley

After a one year shut down because of Covid 19 Warbirds Over Delaware is back! This years event had its challenges but turned out to be one of my favorite Warbirds Over Delaware to date. I had just finished a new plane that I spend nine long nights making a 1/8 scale DC-3 into a C-47. So with a fleet of new airplanes I arrived on July 4 the Sunday before the event and after a long day of setup I had this beautiful field to myself with only one problem— a TFR preventing me from flying. So I setup a photo shoot and posted pictures of my planes and finally had a chance to relax. This turned out to be a good thing because in the days to followed I would burn through four gallons of 100LL aviation fuel. Wow! See early in the week there were a lot of people that didn't show up because of restrictions. First we had a 500 person limit at the field and then a possible Presidential TFR for the end of the week. It looked like Warbirds Over Delaware was going to be a flop for this year. Then after several days of great flying, the contest directors and club decided enough of this Doubtfulness and they the kicked it into high gear! It was amazing - the secret service and FAA worked together to give us a waiver on the TFR and the word got out. By Saturday the spectator area was full and flight line not quit full but the pilots morale unbelievably high. We were at the max of 500 people a day and some very impressive pilots were doing their thing. From our club Frank Beshears, Dave Mauger, and Mike K. showed up and helped me with my fleet of four airplanes. I had a fantastic time flying my C-47, Spitfire, P-47, and L-4 and they all came home in one piece. Thanks to everyone that helped me. Warbirds Over Delaware 2022 will be back at 100%. I can't wait!





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UPCOMING EVENTS

Next Meeting – Wednesday July 28th, 8:00 PM at the Eatontown Public Library. Model of the month and raffle.

Sat. August 7 – Pine Barrens Modelers Water Fun Fly

Sun. August 8— JCSF Club Picnic (Dorbrook @ noon)

August 12-15— Golden Age Fly-In (Bethel PA)

Sat. August 21— JCSF Open House (10am)