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HEY HEY, IT'S SPRING!!!

So, I'll start off by saying that this newsletter is getting out to everyone a little later than planned. A long business trip got in my way so hopefully this is an exception to my new rule ;)

On the plus side, as I type this newsletter the date is March 20th, which means that winter is officially over and spring is here!!! It's funny— it wasn't a brutally cold winter but it was consistently cold throughout the season. And we had a fair amount snow this year, but yours truly never got to enjoy flying off it as it usually fell during the middle of the week. Oh well—I'm just



happy that the days are progressively getting longer and the temps are showing signs of moving into a more favorable range.

So this month's cover photo goes back to 2019—before COVID became a thing, and when we were having some pretty decent turn -outs for our **Adopt-A-Road** cleanups. And—what a coincidence—our **Spring cleanup is this Saturday at 10am to noon!** Please mark your calendars and come out to join us in this community event. I know after sitting around all winter I can use some exercise. I suggest wearing waterproof footgear as it may be damp in the morning and wet feet are no fun. Stu will really appreciate a solid turnout and we should knock out the cleanup by 11am so you can enjoy some flying afterwards.

As long-time members will recall, club dues are "due" by the end of this month—March 31st to be specific. While the Exec Board is working on a method for members to pay their dues online in 2023, for this year we still need you to send in your funds and any related paperwork to Darryl via snail mail. Please don't forget to include a SASE with your check. Later in this issue will be a list of those members who still need to settle up with Darryl.

This month's Club meeting will be on Wednesday March 23rd starting at 8pm at the Eatontown Public library. We'll have our regular Model of the Month contest, and if enough members attend we'll have a raffle with a cool prize. BTW once the March and April meetings wrap up we'll be shifting our meetings to Dorbrook Park, which I thinks most members really enjoy. With the exception of the May meeting (which will be on a Saturday) the summertime club meetings will be on Wednesday nights starting at 7pm. The meetings at the field will also feature night flying, so if you haven't seen this before you're in for a treat!!!

February Meeting Minutes

We had our monthly club meeting on February 23rd at the Eatontown Public Library. We convened the meeting with five members in attendance (in addition to the Exec Board).

- Stu read the Treasurer's Report. It's quiet this time of year except for dues so no major changes. Please reach out to Stu if you have any questions.
- We had a quick discussion about the upcoming Lebanon RC Flea Market. Please see this issue for more info on this fun event.
- Stu reminded the membership that our spring Adopt-A-Road event is on **Saturday March 26th starting at 10am** (time was updated from the club calendar).
- We had our regular <u>Model of the Month</u> contest. We had two entries:
 - Lee's <u>Radian</u> powered glider
 - Stu's electrified <u>GP Ultra Sport</u>. Stu acquired the airframe from a member and upgraded it with a brushless setup and many 3D printed parts.
 - Stu took 1st for MOTM.
- We also had our run-off for the <u>2021 Model of the Year</u>. We had a limited number of eligible entries from last year due to the ongoing impacts of COVID and for the actual voting we had two entries:
 - Stu's electrified Yak 18.
 - Mike C.'s designed and scratch-built Nakajima Ki-43 "Oscar".
 - Mike Cripps took 1st for 2021 MOTY.
- Mike C also showed off a <u>1/2 gram</u> servo that he recently made. This ultra-micro servo was printed using a resin printer.







Lebanon 2022

I've mentioned before— the Lebanon RC Swap meet is like Christmas morning as you'll never know what you'll find there. That was true again this year. And the other thing is that there's always a theme—some plane or piece of equipment is all over the place. This year it was large Mustangs—either Nosen or Ziroli (and naturally I wasn't looking for a Mustang...).

Our regular crew—Adam, Tom, Stu, Mike K and Jason plus yours truly arrive early as vendors to try and get the good deals before the general public gets in. This means we left at 4am and arrived between 6 and 6:30 at our favorite place – the Heisey Diner. Excellent food at very reasonable prices! Oh, and did I mention the weather???

Besides this being the year after Lebanon was closed due to COVID, there was also a winter storm advisory. When Adam and I headed out it was foggy and raining and 46F. As we closed in on Lebanon the temps started to take a dive, and at the diner the temp read 35F and the rain had changed to snow. During the course of the day we had about two to three inches of the white stuff, which put a damper on the turnout a bit. There were reports of whiteouts on Rt 78 and lots of accidents, but luckily we were already there. We opted to take our time with lunch at the local Ruby Tuesday's (which thankfully is still open in PA), and by the time we hit the road around 3pm the plows had done their job and the roads were pretty darn good.

So, how was the shopping? I think pretty darn good. Besides an assortment of speed controller and brushless motors and a very nice Czech B-25 kit, I was also on the hunt for a giant-scale warbird. Thanks go to Adam and Mike K for giving me the bug. As I mentioned earlier there were P-51s all over, but I wanted a Jug, and preferable one in the 80-90" range. Naturally there were none to be found, but there was a partially built Nosen Corsair that happened to be in the main hall. The "problem" was that it was huge— as in a 114" wingspan. Shoot—the fuse without the cowling was taller than me. But after lots of looking and bartering I ended up taking her home for a very nice price. So I have a giant scale warbird project— I'll keep everyone posted as it progresses. And yes, it will be electric ;)

In the end we all had a lot of fun, we sold some stuff, we bought some stuff, and caught up with some friends there too. If you haven't been to Lebanon I suggest checking it out next year!



You should have seen the look on my wife's face when I showed this to her...

2022 Club Dues

As long-time members will recall dues for the calendar year need to be paid by March 31st else they will fall off of our rolls. As a reminder we publish a list of those member who still owe their dues in the March newsletter as a reminder that they need to settle up. There are quite a few of active members on this list so I suspect many have just lost track of time. Before the end of the month please send your dues to Darryl at the following address:

Darryl Schlosser 282 Harding Blvd. Matawan, NJ 07747

Please include a check for the renewal PLUS a SASE envelope for your membership card PLUS a copy of the completed renewal form. The form can be located via the following link: <u>Club applicationREV14-7-18-ds.pdf (jcsportfliers.org)</u>

Thanks for your attention to this. We look forward to having everyone re-up for the year and have some fun with us at the field.

Vincent Beeman	Joseph DeAntonio	Robert Keibley	Noah Schechtel
Edward Berchtold	Dominick Dello Russo	Anthony Lara	Gino Stafani
Frank Beshears	Vincent DiNiso	Robert Lehmann	Gary Swist II
Larry Boccio Jr.	Paul Discepola	Tony LoBraico	John Tomaino
William Buck	Andrew Elkwood	Chris LoPresti	Herbert Volkert
Dennis Carraturo	Eric Fagan	William Mascitelli	Richard Waugh
Tom Cerqua	James Fagan	Michael Mokris	Patrick Wells
Marc Ciccone	Robert Ferrante	John Palestro	James Wilson Jr.
Kevin Coleman	Darren Foster	Frank Raineri Jr.	
Scott Coleman	Josh Gluck	Ralph Schardelmann	



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UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>Next Meeting</u> – Wednesday March 23rd, 8:00 PM at the Eatontown Public Library. Model of the month and raffle.

Sat. March 26 – Adopt-A-Road cleanup 10pm (Dorbrook)

Sat. April 16 — RC Baseball 11am (Stan B. CD)