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IT'S ALMOST THAT TIME

Yes, it's almost that time – spring! It's been a very strange, mild winter but that doesn't mean it's been nice weather, or that it's been favorable for getting outside. And after having been stuck inside for the past few months the notion of spring and warmer weather is very enticing. We'll know soon enough if we'll have a nice spring or a traditional Jersey spring (i.e. wet and rainy). Hopefully it'll be the former ;)

So this month's cover photo captures something that I don't believe I've seen happen before in all my years in JCSF— a tie for Model of the Year. To John and my surprise we were the only two modelers to bring in their models for 2022 MOTY honors, and even more surprisingly we split the vote. It was a very cool way to have the night unfold for our first meeting of the year (January was cancelled due to very nasty weather).



This will be a rather brief newsletter this month as not much is happening this time of year. One key thing to remember is that all members need to renew their membership and send in their dues to Darryl by the end of this month. I'll go into more details on this later, and also provide the current list of members who need to still renew in case you forgot.

This month's meeting will be held on **Wednesday March 22nd starting at 8pm at the Eatontown Public Library**. We had a nice turnout for the February meeting and I'm hoping we'll see more of the same this month. We'll have our Model of the Month contest plus a conversation on a field upgrade that I think most members will be very excited about!

February 2023 Meeting Minutes

For this month's meeting we had a pretty good turnout with ten members in attendance (six members, four Exec).

For old news we discussed the recently completed ATOMS Swap Meet, which a number of JCSF members attended. This was a fun event that featured a swap meet format that also gave sellers the option of auctioning off items if they preferred to try that route. The host club did a very good job of running the event, and yours truly also had a table this year to help make some room in my shop. We recommended checking it out next year for a nice time and an opportunity to get out and see other modelers in the wintertime.

In the new news department President Dave gave the membership information related to a potential upgrade to our flying field. Dave has been working with the Parks staff for some time now to see if they would be open to the idea of adding a covered pavilion at our field, and after lengthy discussions it seem that this may actually come to fruition. We are currently working with the Park to have a 20'x16' concrete slab installed behind the safety fence on the right side of the main entrance. On top of this slab will be an open pavilion— dimensions are still being worked out but it's looking like 18'x12' is a possibility. Having a shelter at the field will be a huge improvement for pilots, and in addition to this we're planning to add solar panels to allow for battery charging, plus a weather station to allow folks to check on the conditions at the field from their cell phone or computer. To make this happen the club is being asked to make a contribution to the Friends of the Park (FOP) to help defray some of the costs—the amount is still TBD. This would come out of the club's field fund, and we will talk more about this at the March meeting. Please plan on coming to this month's meeting so we can give an update on this exciting potential upgrade to our field.

February is the month where we have our traditional Model of the Year vote, and as I mentioned in the opening we only had two members bring out their planes for the contest, who were:

- John Tomaino: Balsa USA "Smoothie"
- Rob Kallok: AeroCraft "Snapper"

To our surprise we split the vote and were voted co-Model of the Year winners for 2022!!!!

There were no entries for Model of the Month but new member Dana Hager brought out his work-in-progress 3D printed "Demoiselle" to show off. He'll bring it back for MOTM once complete.



Photos from the Meeting



2023 Dues

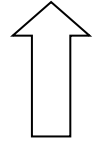
It's that time of year again. If you have not yet sent in your club dues they need to be sent to Darryl by **March 31st**. When you send in your dues please include a SASE envelope so he can return your membership card. If you've also recently renewed your AMA please include info for this as well so that our records show you as covered. Darryl's mailing address is:

Darryl Schlosser 282 Harding Blvd. Matawan, NJ 07747

The club renewal form can be accessed at: https://icsportfliers.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/Club_applicationREV14-7-18-ds.pdf

As called for in the club bylaws following are those members who are currently outstanding with their dues:

Thomas Abate	Jim Baye	Vincent Beeman	Edward Berchtold
Frank Beshears	Christian Bruhn	Jarrett Bruhn	William Buck
Louis Capurso	Dennis Carraturo	Thomas Cerqua	Kevin Coleman
Scott Coleman	Joseph DeAntonio	Peter Donchik	Andrew Elkwood
Robert Ferrante	Darren Foster	Robert Gamache	Bob Goldschlag
Dana Hager	Ronald Jantz	Anthony Lara	Robert Lehmann
Ivan Linden	Tony LoBraico	William Mascitelli	James McCallister
Charles McKee	Michael Mokris	Eric Olsen	Anthony Pansini
George Peck	Frank Raineri Jr.	Matthew Saleh	Dick Sarpolus
Ralph Schardelmann	Gino Stefani	Gary Swist II	George Tepper
Harrison Tepper	Arthur Topilow	Herbert Volkert	



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Next Meeting – Wednesday March 22nd, 8:00 PM at the Eatontown Public Library. Model of the month and raffle.

Sat. March 25 – Adopt-A-Road Cleanup, 10am Dorbrook (Dave CD)

March 31—LAST DAY TO PAY DUES!!!

Sunday April 16— RC Baseball, 11am Dorbrook (Stan CD)