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### SUMMER FUN

For the first time in months we had two beautiful days in a row—ON A WEEKEND! We've been having a pretty good summer so far but we have had an annoying trend where at least one day over the weekend it has rained. So we're not feeling like we're in a drought like last year, but when you work for a living and get your breaks on the weekend it gets annoying when it's not good weather. But not this time! And it was great timing as today (Sunday 7/23) we had our rescheduled **Club Fly Day**. On the way to the field I stopped by the supermarket and picked up food for an expected dozen or so pilots, however when I



came around the weeds at the field I saw a full parking lot and probably about twenty pilots getting ready for the day. So it was the proverbial double-edged sword— we had a much better turnout than expected, and we didn't have enough food! Luckily John Tomaino offered to run out for more burgers and hot dogs and yours truly cooked up a bunch of food for everyone in attendance. We had an awesome time at the field! And to my surprise the number of EDF jets outnumbered the prop-driven planes. I've never seen so many jets at our field at one time before, and I even got in two solid flights on my Vulcan jet. It was very cool seeing a mix of scale and sport jets in the air, and with the newer fan units they sounded awesome. We had a lot of fun today and a number of us are seriously thinking we should do more of this next year. We'll have one more of these events in late October so I strongly recommend checking it out. What's better than a day at the field with your friends, flying cool planes and having a great BBQ?

There are still a lot of events, hosted by JCSF and others, that we still have a chance to enjoy this summer. While Warbirds over Delaware recently wrapped up, we still have the Golden Age Fly-In, Haverstraw, Rhinebeck and NEAT to look forward to, as well as our own club contests. Please check out the calendar and see what looks good for you. The Exec Board normally hits all of these events so if you have any questions just reach out to us!

This Wednesday 7/26 is our monthly Club Meeting which will be held at Dorbrook Park starting at 7pm. We'll have our regular Model of the Month competition as well as night flying after the meeting. We've had pretty good attendance lately so it would be great if we see more members at the meeting. We'll see you then!

## JCSF June 2023 Meeting Minutes

We held our monthly meeting on June 28<sup>th</sup> at Dorbrook Park. We had ten members in attendance (5 Exec/5 general). Rob K. read the minutes from the May meeting, and John T. gave the treasurer's report.

### **Old News:**

- Dave discussed the current state of the new pavilion. The kit has been delivered but with the Monmouth County Fair prep in full swing we won't expect to see any new activity until August.
  - Dave also mentioned that the club has made the previously agreed-to donation to the Friends of the Park in support of the addition of the pavilion to the field.
- Adam discussed the recent Fredericksburg's Warbirds and Classics event, and we also talked about the maiden of his newly completed 1/4 scale P-40 Warhawk. The maiden was a success and she went back to Adam's shop for some minor tuning in preparation for Warbirds over Delaware.
- Dave discussed the Levittown Float Fly that a number of JCSF members attended. He said it was a lot of fun and having a full-service restaurant next to the event made it even better!

### **New News:**

- Our next scheduled Saturday night Night Fly is planned for July 1<sup>st</sup>.
- July 9<sup>th</sup> is the date for our next Club Fly Day/BBQ and JCSF 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.
  - Editor's notes: the Club fly day was postponed to 7/23 due to bad weather forecast on the 9<sup>th</sup>. Additionally the official 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration has been postponed until 2025 as the AMA only has records of the JCSF existing since 1975 (not 1973 as it was originally understood).
- Adam discussed the upcoming Warbirds over Delaware event, which he is planning to head to on the Monday before the start of the show!
- The Pine Barrens club will be hosting their regular Float Fly on Saturday 7/29 at Deerhead Lake in Forked River. This is an electric-only event.
- John T. discussed some creative ways for the club to get new members. We'll be talking more about this at an upcoming Exec Board meeting.

### **Model of the Month:**

**First Place**— Ray Merry with his scratch-built AT-6. Ray built this electric plane from foam board and included electric retracts.

**Second Place**— Joe Lupo with his Zlin Akrobat. The Akrobat is a vintage kit, powered with an OS 46SF glow engine.

**Third Place**— Dave Mauger with his new HH Consendo night flyer. Dave designed a custom lighting scheme for it.



## 2023 JCSF Awards Luncheon/BBQ

By Dave Mauger

Back on Sunday, May 28th, we had our annual 'Awards Luncheon' at its more recent venue...the field. We were blessed with really nice weather that day and got a bunch of good flying in before and after lunch and the ceremonies. Turnout was good with about 30 people. The food was yummy and plentiful as usual and I think it's safe to say everyone enjoyed it. After we all ate, we went on to the awards ceremony and then raffle prizes.

This years top plaque recipients were:

- Tom Cerqua with the most Fun Fly plaques...4
- Rob Kallok topped of the list in Sport Flier points
- Mike Cripps for Model of the Year 2021 with his Peanut Scale Oscar
- John Tomaino and Rob Kallok tying for Model of the Year 2022 with their Balsa USA 'Smoothie' and AeroCraft 'Snapper' kit-built planes respectively.

Tom Cerqua took home a \$300 gift certificate for 2022's participation raffle.

All in all it was a really nice, relaxing and fun day. Maybe I can talk a few more of you fine folks to join us next year..(hint, hint, nudge)



A gathering of friends for a fantastic event!

## Warbirds over Delaware 2023

By Adam Lilley

Warbirds Over Delaware this year was hot but dry until the last few hours of the show when it poured for several hours, cooling everyone down. There were some fantastic aircraft as usual and formation flying that wowed the crowd. Several of our members showed up to fly and show their support. They were Steve Wuesthoff, Jeanne and Ray Merry, Dave Mauger, Jason Cline, Gene, and I. I was able to fly my 1/4 scale P-40 several times, including in the demo session on Saturday. Keep this event on your wish list of places to go. I have a feeling there are big changes coming and they're all for the better.



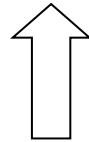
**Bonus!!! More Pictures from Warbirds Over Delaware**



*Hmmm....*

*I wonder who's mechanical marvel this is, and what the future holds for it....*





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## First Class Mail



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### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Next Meeting – Wednesday July 26th, 7:00 PM at Dorbrook Park.**

**Model of the month and night flying!**

**Sat. July 29: Pine Barrens Float Fly (Deerhead Lake, Forked River)**

**July 27-30: Warbirds and Classics over Hagerstown (Maryland)**

**Sun. 8/6: Limbo Fun Fly— 11am Dorbrook Park (Adam CD)**

**Sat. 8/12: JCSF Open House (10am Dorbrook)**

**August 18-20: Golden Age Fly-In (Bethel PA)**