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HIBERNATION TIME IS OVER!!!

So Rob—why <u>did</u> you pick this picture for the cover of this month's newsletter. It doesn't have airplanes in it—it's not even at our field. What gives?

Well Billy, it may not have to do with airplanes or our field, but it has a lot to do with our club and the hobby in general. For me, the people are the main reason for me being part of the *Jersey Coast Sport Fliers* for over twenty-five years. Yes, flying my models is awesome, and the time I spend building them is well spent and therapeutic, but if it weren't for my friends in our club and at all of the other events that we participate in well, I'd probably be doing something else. But the folks in this club and the hobby in general are who I want to spend time with. And a picture of club members and friends sitting around a fire, enjoying a warm spring night, talking about airplanes, is what makes me



grateful that winter is finally over and that we'll be getting back to our favorite pastime very shortly. And that's good news!

With spring officially here and the books about to close on March, April will be here before we know it, and with that the start of our events at Dorbrook! Besides open flying that I hope everyone will take advantage of, we'll have our first contest of the year on <u>Sunday April 14th with a traditional game of RC Baseball</u>. A nice low-stress contest, if you can land your plane then you're good to go! Plus we'll have food and prizes, so why not check it out! And another bonus of April is that with the clock change and warmer weather we'll be shifting our meetings back outdoors to Dorbrook, with the meeting starting at 7pm. And as an added bonus we'll be doing some night flying afterwards, so I recommend checking this out!

With winter in our rear view mirror this should be the last brief newsletter for awhile, as there will be stuff to actually write about. As I've mentioned before, I'm always looking for info on member projects so be sure to send me some pics and info related to what you're doing. In the meantime <u>our next club meeting is this Wednesday night 3/27 at the Eatontown Public Library starting at</u> <u>8pm</u>. We'll have our regular Model of the Month contest so please come out and check out the action ;) We had a light turnout for our last winter meeting, with eight members in attendance (6 Exec Board, 2 general). John Tomaino discussed the Treasurer's Report. Additional details are available if interested by contacting John.

Old News:

• We discussed the recently completed ATOMS RC Swap Meet. A number of members in attendance attended the event, which was a lot of fun. Turnout was pretty good but it seemed like buyers' wallets were a little tight this year—hopefully it's not a trend.

New News:

- We talked about the upcoming Lebanon Swap Meet in PA. Lebanon is the big show in this part of the country, and a number of members were making preparations for the three-hour trip to the show the morning of March 9th. It'll definitely be a topic of discussion at the March meeting.
- Dave discussed the upcoming Adopt-a-Road event scheduled for Saturday March 23rd. Unfortunately in 2023 both the spring and fall versions of this public service event were rained out so we're hoping for better luck this year. The event starts at 10am and we're planning to get in some flying afterwards.
 - Editor's note: surprise— this event has been postponed as a monsoon is scheduled for the day of the event. Let's hope this isn't a repeat of the pattern we saw last year...

Model of the Month:

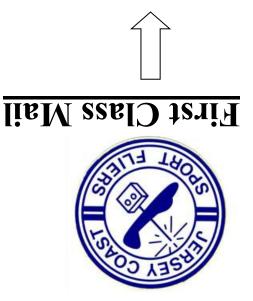
We had two entries this month:

- Jason Cline with his <u>Zeke's Park Scale Flyers</u> "Mini Stik". Built-up from balsa and covered in Doculam, it's powered by a 2000kv 10gram motor spinning a 6x3 prop via a 2s 300mah LiPoly pack. This was Jason's first kit build and he picked a challenging subject!
- Rob Kallok with his <u>Old School Model Works</u> "Javelin". Kit built of balsa and ply and covered in Monokote, this 60" span sport plane hosts a Turnigy 46 motor spinning a 14x10 prop with a 4s 4000mah LiPoly pack.

Rob took the honors this month, with Jason taking a close second place!







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UPCOMING EVENTS

Next Meeting – Wednesday March 27th, 8:00 PM at the Eatontown

Public Library. Model of the month and raffle.

Sunday April 14th: RC Baseball 11am (Stan B. CD)

<u>Wednesday April 24th:</u> Monthly club meeting @ Dorbrook. 7pm Project Night plus Night Flying after the meeting!!! start.