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CLEANING UP THE STREETS!!!

Despite rumors to the contrary, we were NOT on a work release program the morning of Saturday October 12th. What we were doing was fulfilling our commitment to the county by participating in our twice-yearly <u>Adopt-A-Road</u> cleanup of Route 537. As has been the norm lately, we had absolutely beautiful weather, <u>with the exception of the wind</u>. Boy was it windy!!! But that didn't stop us from doing the job at hand, but it did make things interesting afterwards. You see, we had a dual event on this particular Saturday. The morning was spent collecting trash along the roadway, but the afternoon was reserved for our reschedule Club Picnic! Unfortunately the turnout for the picnic was less than expected, which I personally think was attributed to the glorious weather and competing plans for our members. But those of us who did make it had a fantastic time, with the club and members



providing delicious food and snacks for all to enjoy. Now, back to that wind that I mentioned. It was howling at the flight line, with consistent 15-20mph winds and regular gusts. The one blessing was that the winds were at an angle to the flightline and not coming over the trees. Still, it was a bit intimidating but everyone eventually adopted the attitude that we all had to get in at least one flight. Adam led the charge with his V1200, which quite honestly didn't care the least what the winds were doing. Slowly everyone started putting battery packs in their planes and taking their place on the flightline. I managed to get in four flights before I realized that the sun was moving into the corner of my vision—darn shorter fall days! My ballcap helped but before I knew it I was flirting with flying through the sun on the downwind turn, which is never fun. Suddenly it seemed like someone poured the coffee and everyone started packing up. That is, except Tom, who was doing lazy low turns over the field with his Hacker Stick. Suddenly I found myself at the flightline taking turns with Tom and Dana doing spot landings. By that time the winds had died down and the Hacker was quite happy. It was a great way to end a really fun day at the flying field:)

Our next meeting is on Wednesday October 23rd at the Eatontown Public Library. Start time will be 7pm (our new regular start time!). We'll have Model of the Month and talk about the upcoming Club Swap Meet on 11/2. Don't forget next month's meeting will be one week earlier to avoid a Thanksgiving conflict— Wednesday 11/20!

September JCSF Monthly Meeting

The club had its monthly meeting indoors for the first time in awhile, at the <u>Eatontown Public Library</u> on Wednesday September 25th. <u>Effective this month we shifted all of our monthly meetings to start at 7pm.</u> We had fourteen members in attendance (eight general/six Exec).

Old Business:

- Jeanine M. reported on the recent Rhinebeck show.
- Your truly gave a report on NEAT Fair '24. Suffice to say all of the club members who attended had a great time!

New Business:

- The **Limbo** contest is scheduled for Sunday 9/29. Adam will be the CD.
- Our fall **Adopt-A-Road** cleanup is scheduled for Saturday 10/12 starting at 9am.
- Our rescheduled **Club Picnic** will be held on Saturday 10/2 at noon. The club will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, snacks and drinks. Members are welcome to bring dishes to share!!! We'll be flying after lunch so be sure to bring a few planes as well!
- Joe L. discussed the latest plans for the new solar installation at the club field. For those who haven't heard, the club is installing solar panels on the new pavilion with all of the associated electronics to allow members to use their personal battery chargers at the field. Installation of the system will be starting later this month.
- The club **Swap Meet** is coming up soon on Saturday 11/2. The location has changed— we'll be holding the event at the <u>Saint Mary School in Middletown</u>. Croydon Hall was great and had lots of tradition associated with it, but the folks running it were making it too expensive to use, and the new location is more economical and is extremely nice. Please come out and support us!!!

Project Night!!!

We had three Sport entries competing this month (no scale this time). The entries were as follows:

- Joe L. with his new kit-built GP Super Sportster 40! All balsa built and modified to fly on electric power.
- Jason C. with his GP Electrostreak project plane. Jason picked this project up at the Atom's Swap Meeting this past winter.
- Rob K. with his *Tigerkitten "E"*. Built from AMA plans, this vintage (1993) electric design was intended for this year's NEAT vintage competition but he ran out of time:(

The winner was Rob K. with his framed-up Tigerkitten "E" !!!







RC Limbo!!!

On Sunday September 29th Adam Lilley CD'ed our traditional <u>Limbo</u> contest. In the past this was a bit of a risky contest to planes as for whatever reason the poles holding up the limbo ribbon would suddenly jump up in front the approaching planes and cause damage, but Adam had the epiphany of laying out a center line on either side of the limbo setup. Ever since this change was made the number of planes hitting the poles dropped dramatically . However, we still continue to get the occasional "carrier landing", which is always fun to watch;)

On this particular Sunday morning we had a pretty good turnout of pilots, with seven competitors showing up to fly. The winds were actually cooperating this time, so Adam and Tom set up the contest and we were off!

So, a little reminder of how this contest goes. For the first round, the Limbo is set to its highest height and each pilot gets as many passes as needed to get under. Regardless of whether you get under on your first or fourth pass, you get 5 points. For the second round the Limbo line is dropped and each pilot gets two tries. If you get under on the first pass you get 15 points—on the second you get 10. If you don't make it you get zero for the round. On the third round the line is dropped to its minimum and each pilot gets one shot worth 15 points. There is an extra bonus in the second and third rounds for making it under the limbo line inverted, but no one opted to take that option this time around.

One other important point to bring up. It's not uncommon for two or more pilots to tie in this contest. In cases where this happens we have a run-off which consists of giving each tied pilot two minutes to make as many successful passes under the high limbo as possible. Time stops either at two minutes or if you break the limbo line...

In general everyone flew very well, but naturally there's always a few who rise to the top. It quickly became apparent that Adam, Tom, and Frank were going to run the table and max out on points for their rounds, which meant once we finished the 3rd round it was time for a flyoff!!! Now, flyoffs are a lot of fun to watch but are a lot of pressure for the pilot doing it. With the flyoff the pilot was given the latitude to figure out how they wanted to fly their round—as long as it was safe it was fair game. After rolling some electronic dice Tom was up first, followed by Adam, then Frank. Tom got a rhythm going and before you knew it he made 20 successful passes when his timer expired. With that threshold set Adam took his position, and on his fourth pass snagged the limbo line and he was done. Frank, obviously smelling blood in the water, set himself up to chase Tom and at least bump Adam off for 2nd, but on his second pass he ALSO snagged the limbo line and was done. So Tom was able to hold off his compatriots and take home first place.

Afterwards, we had a nice BBQ of hot dog cooked by Joe L. and we all snagged a cool pilot's prize. Because it was such a nice day a lot of guys stayed afterwards and got in some more flying. It was a beautiful fall day at Dorbrook and everyone had a great time, and no planes were seriously damaged from the contest—perfect!!!

| <u>Pilot</u> | Round 1 | Round 2 | Round 3 | Rounds Total | <u>Flyoff</u> | <u>Total</u> | <u>FINISH</u> |
|--------------|---------|---------|---------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| Rob K | 5 | 10 | 0 | 15 | - | 15 | 4th (tie) |
| Tom C | 5 | 15 | 15 | 35 | 20 | 55 | 1st |
| Joe L | 5 | 10 | 0 | 15 | _ | 15 | 4th (tie) |
| Frank R | 5 | 15 | 15 | 35 | 1 | 36 | 3rd |
| Eric | 5 | 0 | 0 | 5 | _ | 5 | 5th (tie) |
| Tom A | 5 | 0 | 0 | 5 | _ | 5 | 5th (tie) |
| Adam L | 5 | 15 | 15 | 35 | 3 | 38 | 2nd |

Photos from Limbo!!!













IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!!!

2024 JERSEY COAST SPORT FLIERS RC SWAP MEET SATURDAY NOVEMBER 2nd

Doors open at 8am for Sellers, 9am for the General Public

Admission: \$5

NEW LOCATION!!!

SAINT MARY SCHOOL, MIDDLETOWN, NJ*

OVER 70 TABLES OF MERCHANDISE!!!

FOOD AND BEVERAGES FOR SALE

PRIOR ATTENDEES STAY TUNED FOR MORE DETAILS VIA EMAIL

FOR ADDITIONAL INFO VISIT OUR WEBSITE @ WWW.JCSPORTFLIERS.ORG

QUESTIONS? CONTACT OUR TABLEMASTER AT DMPANHEAD@GMAIL.COM







^{*} Use Saint Mary School in your favorite GPS app— using the street address for the church will give conflicting directions.

Table Reservation Form

2024 Jersey Coast Sport Fliers RC Swap Meet

Saturday November 2nd

Three tiers of selling spaces are available, all six (6') feet long:

Tier I: Stage (max space) - \$30/space

Tier II: Wall—\$25/space

Tier III: Aisle— \$20/space

All checks are to be made out to "Jersey Coast Sport Fliers".

All spaces are available on a first-come first-serve basis. A seller may request multiple tables. Spaces can only be reserved via this form— no email reservations allowed.

Space assignments will be provided the morning of the swap meet. If a reservation cannot be fulfilled as requested the cost difference will be refunded the day of the event. If no tables are available then the seller will be notified via email prior to the event.

| Seller Name:Seller email address: | | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------|-------|--|
| | Quantity | Total | |
| Tier I space(s) @ \$30 each | | | |
| Tier II space(s) @ \$25 each | | | |
| Tier III space(s) @ \$20 each | | | |
| Total: | Total: | | |

Please mail the completed Table Reservation form along with your payment to:

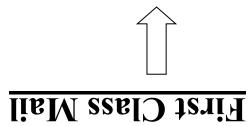
Dave Mauger 5 Long Road, Freehold, NJ 07728

Swap Meet location:

Saint Mary School, Middletown, NJ 07748

Doors open at 8am for sellers—9am for buyers

For more information visit www.jcsportfliers.org





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UPCOMING EVENTS

Next Meeting: Wednesday October 23rd, 7:00 PM at the Eatontown Public Library. Model of the month.

October 25-27: Hole In The Woods (Adam Lilley CD)

November 2nd: JCSF Swap Meet 9am (Saint Mary School Middletown)

November 17th: Turkey Shoot 11am Dorbrook (Mike C. CD)