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RAIN RAIN— GO AWAY!!!

And that goes for the wind too!!!

Yeah, it's been a tough May for club events and flying in general at Dorbrook! It seems like the theme has been rain, followed by clearing but very windy conditions. It appears that finding a dry, calm day recently has been an exercise in frustration. We've had to cancel or reschedule three events this month, which is very annoying. I was particularly frustrated having to reschedule last week's **Club Awards Luncheon** but considering the cost of the catered food and the variability of the forecast it was the prudent thing to do. The good news is that both the awards lunch and Streamer Chase will be rescheduled for later this year :)

So this month's cover photo shows the fantastic progress that John T. has been making on our new pavilion addition. This combination charging station and storage compartment will allow us to store some key items at the field, such as a trainer plane setup, and allow pilots to plug in their chargers to take advantage of the upcoming solar-powered battery system. Once John finishes up the construction then Joe L. will complete the electrical installation. The target for completion is mid-summer so we'll see when we can start taking advantage of this very cool new upgrade at the field!!!



Speaking of the field, based on the current forecast we look to be in good shape for our **first outdoor meeting of the year at Dorbrook this Tuesday 5/27 starting at 7pm**. We have secured permission again from the Park System to do some night flying after our meetings, so be sure to bring out something lit so you join in the fun! In addition we're going to continue our new tradition from last year of barbecuing up some hot dogs for everyone joining us at the meeting! Just bring your own drinks please ;) At this month's meeting we'll have our Model of the Month contest, plus we'll be discussing the upcoming JCSF Electric Fly-In that will be held on Saturday June 14th, as well as our club's 50th Anniversary Celebration on Saturday June 28th. I hope we'll see a bunch of you at the meeting— thanks!!!

April 22,2025 Monthly Meeting Notes

St. Marys School Gym 7pm

Scribe: Joe Lupo

Attendance: 3 Board members and 12 regular members.

Old Business

Saturday 3/29 Adopt-a-Road @10:00am

Saturday 4/12 Club Fly Day @ 11:00am

April Monthly Meeting (4/29) will be last indoor meeting @ 7:00pm

Construction to begin on Charging Table Station for field

Discussion on Zoom meeting for future indoor meetings at next exec board meeting

Model of the Month entries:

Sea Monkey Jr	Jason Cline
HB-2	Dave Mauger
Sawncraft Rebuttal	Gary Swist
GWS Pico	Adrian Lanza*

Entries were as follows:

HB-2	Dave Mauger	1 st Place
Sea Monkey Jr	Jason Cline	2 nd Place Tie
Rebuttal	Gary Swist	2 nd Place Tie
GWS Pico	Adrian Lanza*	3 rd Place

New Business

Streamer Chase Date 5/4

May Awards Lunch Date 5/17

May 27th Meeting is at Dorbrook Park Field

Charging Table Construction has begun. Waiting for material from Dave M.

Club 50th Anniversary Lunch 6/28 Rain Date 7/19

Project night entries:

Jason Cline	Glow Stick	3D printed plane (Winner!!!)
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Meeting Adjourned at 7:52pm with indoor flying to follow

And here's another view of the new charging station that John is building at the field...



The 2025 Spring

Hole In The Woods

Extravaganza!!!

Sheesh— I've lost track of just how many times Adam has opened up his house and yard to host this event. All I can say is that it's been quite some time now, and it just does not get old.

We gathered at Adam's place on Friday April 25th to officially kick off the event, but this year we had a few out of state guests who arrived the day before, so I guess they officially kicked off the event. As is often the pattern for this event, we had a mix of weather over the course of the two main days (Friday and Saturday) and this year was no different. Friday was definitely the better of the two, with light winds and clear skies. Saturday started that way, but once the afternoon rolled around so did the clouds and rain. Thankfully the ill weather cleared out late in the afternoon so we could resume our outdoor fun.

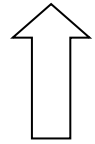
So, what kind of fun you ask? Well, this year the focus was on airplanes (naturally) and RC stadium trucks. If we weren't flying then we were driving, so we had things well covered. Thankfully there wasn't enough rain this year to have us bring out the boats!

We had two "special events" this year, which are worth sharing. First, we tried our hand at slow streamer combat. It turns out that Adam's yard is a bit small for such an event, but since we're thinking of doing it again at NEAT it was a good test. The really good part is that we discovered an issue with the design (mini Stingray) and Tom/Dana's collaboration allowed them to figure out the problem and make changes to the design to make it fly MUCH better. The second event was a variation on Musical Chairs/spot landing contest, but used large Easter eggs as targets and prizes. We had about a dozen foamy planes flying a pattern in Adam's yard, and a silly kid's song was playing over the speakers. When the music stopped we had to land close to a clutch of Easter eggs (there were several clutches on the field). The plane closest to the eggs won one of them. It was a lot of fun, and the prizes inside the eggs were delicious!

While the rain fell on Saturday afternoon we all hung out inside Adam's house, at the Mustang Bar. At that point Dana and Stephanie gave Adam an extremely cool present—a photo montage of the Hole in the Woods, which included photos of most of the regular attendees. Adam was very surprised and grateful for such a wonderful gift, which was summarily hung up next to the Mustang Bar!

As is tradition, early on Sunday we headed over to Sandy's for a fantastic breakfast before hitting the road. As usual, everyone had a great time and we're already looking forward to the next installment!!!





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UPCOMING EVENTS

Next Meeting – Tuesday May 27th, 7:00 PM at Dorbrook Park. Model of the month and hot dogs!!!

Sunday 6/8 – Balls fun fly, 11am start (Tom C. CD)

Saturday 6/14— JCSF Electric Fly-In, 10am start (Rob K. CD)

Saturday 6/28— JCSF 50th Anniversary Celebration & Club Picnic (Noon)