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MUCH BETTER!!!

In last month's *Transmitter* I was lamenting that May was feeling vaguely familiar—kind of like May of '25 when we had a number of events rained out. That pattern rolled into June, and I was worried about a repeat performance. I'm happy to say now that, damn, we're having a nice spring! Yes, we have had some windy days, and even some surprisingly hot (like 90F+) but those are exceptions. The weather has generally been really nice!!! Mid 70s and sunny. And we've gotten in some flying too, both during the week and the weekends. June in particular has been very enjoyable. I suspect as we move into "real" summer this weekend we'll start seeing more humidity and higher temps, but that's to be expected. In the meantime I hope you're enjoying the nice conditions and are getting in some time at the field!



With the pivot to nicer weather, we've managed to get in some key club events. Our Club Awards Luncheon was a big success, and we had fantastic weather for our annual Electric Fly-In. I'll go more into both of these events later in this issue, but it was a nice change from the cancellation pattern we had earlier. But I will mention that this month's cover photo is of this year's Sport Flier of the Year winners for 2025. It was a very close competition this year, and I've stressed this to a few members recently. The spread between the top winners was only a few points, and quite honestly, anyone could have taken the top honor. Sport Flier goes the folks who are involved in the club, bring models to the meetings, compete in contests, engage in community events, and other similar stuff. You don't have to be a hot-shot pilot to win (although it won't hurt). I suggest getting involved more this year, and maybe we'll see some new faces in next year's winner's photo!

On Saturday July 18th the club will be participating in a Science & Technology Fair at Bell Works in Holmdel. We were invited to talk about our hobby and aeronautics. We'll be displaying our models and sharing info about our club and AMA. If you're interested in participating feel free to reach out to me! Because of the event we'll be delaying the start of our contest that day, Dodge Ball, until 1:30pm.

Please don't forget about our meeting this **Tuesday 6/23 at Dorbrook starting at 7pm**. We'll be enjoying hot dogs and some night flying afterwards. I hope we'll see you there!!!

May 26,2026 Monthly Meeting Notes

Dorbrook Flying Field 7pm

Members in Attendance:

- Rob Kallok
- Joe Lupo
- Lee Stab
- Dave Mauger
- John Tomaino
- Jim Bey
- Herb Volkert
- Angelo Leone
- Jerry Franco
- Jason Cline
- Dennis Smith* New Member
- John McGrath

3 Board members and 9 regular members.

Old Business

- **Streamer Chase** postponed until August due to rain
- **No Guts No Glory/ Club Fly Day** postponed until October due to rain
- **Hole in the Woods** was big success with nice turnout.

New Business

- Video cameras up and running at the field. Weather Station up and running as well
- New Pilot Prizes for contests have arrived
- Internet and WIFI up and running at the field
- New Windsock purchased by John T and installed by Joe L and Jerry F
- Sat 5/30 Awards BBQ. Catered food and Plaques and pilot prizes
- Sat 6/13 Electric Fly In/ Balls Contest on 6/27
- Model of the Month had two entries:
 - ⇒ Jason Cline World Models Ultimate Bipe (**Winner**)
 - ⇒ John Tomaino Eindecker 20 size

Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm with night flying afterwards.



Jason's Ultimate (converted glow to electric)



John's Eindecker (Lebanon find)

2025 JCSF Awards Luncheon

Since we moved the club awards luncheon outdoors a number of years ago, it has become a bit nerve-wracking to schedule. Why, you ask? Well, it's because we cater the event, and if the weather decides to not play nice at the last moment we have a lot of food and no people to share it with. We've tried different times during the late spring and early summer to hold the event, but it's always a roll of the dice. So far we've lucked out and hopefully that won't change in the future.

This year's event was held on Saturday May 30th at Dorbrook. We had a nice clear day, but do you remember my comment about wind in my opening comments...



Yes, it was very windy that Saturday at the park. It was in the 60s but with the wind it felt a heck of a lot cooler. When you look at the photos below you'll notice that a lot of folks had coats and sweat shirts on, and yes, they were needed. The wind was strong enough that I don't recall many folks even trying to fly (although I might have missed a few). Despite the wind and chill, we had a nice turnout for the ceremony. Joe Lupu once again handled the catering, and it was absolutely delicious. Everyone had their fill and then some.

After we ate we gave out awards for contest winners and Sport Flier of the Year. As we did last year, John T. and I made up the plaques, and I think they came out great. Solid cherry... and laser etched. From a SFOTY perspective, I won the award for 2025, followed closely by Dave M, Jason C, Tom C, and Joe L. It was very close and anyone's contest.

After the awards we had the door prizes. As is the norm, we had two big prizes—one awarded to the first ticket pulled, and the last ticket pulled. Carl's ticket was pulled first, and he opted to take the motor/speed controller/prop combo, which left the UMX Turbo Timber for the last ticket holder. Now, as the number of tickets dwindled, Tom C. started his usual "who wants to trade tickets" with Dave M., who was adamant about holding onto his ticket. As luck would have it, Dave and Tom ended up being the last two guys still in the running. Tom gave Dave one more chance to swap tickets, but Dave stuck to his guns. The next number I pulled was— Dave! The winner of the Turbo Timber was Tom, who was smiling from ear to ear.

Despite the wind and cool weather, everyone had a great time! If you didn't make it you unfortunately missed a great time!



Contest Winners



Top Prizes



Keeping the food warm

23rd Annual JCSF Electric Fly-In

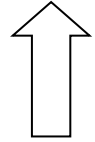
After last year's rainout (a first in over twenty years!) I was grateful to see the forecast for Saturday June 13th was nice and clear. Yes!!! However, the days prior to that had been very hot and humid, and I was now concerned that we'd be fried at the field that Saturday. Temps were pointing to the upper 80s—would we have a problem?

It turned out—no, we didn't! Between Friday afternoon and Saturday morning the humidity plummeted. I arrived at the field early that morning to low 70s and very dry conditions. As the day progressed the temps did rise, but the humidity didn't. Neither did the wind, and it turned out to be an absolutely fantastic day for flying and relaxing at the field!

As far as pilot numbers go, we had twenty-one registered pilots in attendance, but the vast majority of them were club members. Many regulars from outside the club didn't make the event, and I suspect the reason was the expectation of high heat and humidity. It's a shame, as the conditions were perfect, and for 90% of the day all four flight stations were being used. The only "quiet" time was during lunch, and a few folks like Dan K. took that opportunity to fly one of his unique vintage scale models that prefer a less air traffic. Otherwise the air was humming.

With the nice weather folks just didn't want to leave, and we kept flying well into the 4pm hour until the sun became an issue, then folks begrudgingly starting packing up. It was a great day, and I really appreciate all of the pilots who came out and make it such a success!!!





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UPCOMING EVENTS

Next Meeting – Tuesday June 23rd, 7:00 PM at Dorbrook Park. Hot dogs, Model of the Month and night flying afterwards.

Sat. June 27 – “Balls” Fun Fly, 11am (Tom C. CD)

Sat. July 18— Dodge Ball, 1:30pm (Adam L. CD)

Sat. July 25— Club Fly Day, 11am (Dorbrook)