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Notice: The deadline for reports and articles for the newsletter is the 1st day of each month. No exceptions!

## President Report

### Hello again

The cracks in the runway have been repaired. On Friday September 26, the Parks Department closed the field and repaired the cracks and it looks like they put sealer on also and repainted the lines.

At the last meeting it was voted to discontinue the monthly door prizes. This is in part because of not having a hobby shop handy to purchase the prizes and also because it was started to increase attendance at the meetings. It has not been working and does not justify the expense. We are only averaging 10 or 12 members per meeting.

Also at the meeting the dates for the 2009 fly ins were set. They are: Military fly in, July 11 John Caoile CD. Jumbo Jam boree, August 22, Susan Calvin CD. Fall fly in, October 3, Wayne Oylar CD. We voted to have a club day at the field on October 25 of this year.

We are still looking for someone to take on the position of publicity officer, and a few pilots that would be willing to register as Intro Pilot Instructors with the AMA. We need to get some kind of a program in place to attract new members. Not just the young people, but also the newly retired folks looking for something to do, and anyone in between. Suggestions are always welcome.

The building season is upon us. Come share your winter projects at the meetings. Remember that now is the time to inspect your airplane and make any needed repairs before you store them for the winter. Do it while it is still fresh in your mind what is needed.

Nominations for next years officers will be opened at the October meeting and remain open until, voted on at the November meeting.

See you at the field and meeting.

Ken

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NEXT MEETING October 18, 2008 10:30 AM

VFW POST 5789

329 SE Douglas Lee's Summit, MO

Chartered Club

1928



**President Ken Smith called the meeting to order at 10:36am.**

The minutes of the August 2008 meeting were approved as published.

There were 12 members present including all officers.

#### **Vice President's Report – Wayne Oyler**

Wayne reported on an article about safety and incident reporting in the September issue of the AMA Insider.

The article states there are several actions that should be taken, including reporting to the AMA, in the event of an accident or incident. Wayne passed out copies of the article to those in attendance.

#### **Secretary's Report – Jerry Edwards**

A letter was received from Charlie Bauer, AMA District VI Director, regarding Mark Smith and Horace Cain as candidates for the AMA Executive Vice-President. Mr. Bauer suggested voting for Horace Cain.

The IMAA recharter paperwork was received from Don Vinyard, the IMAA Secretary, with a listing of the squadron IMAA members. There is no charge for this service. The listing will be updated with current Squadron IMAA members and returned.

Emails and mailings on scheduled fly-ins received this month include:

#### **Future Events**

Bartlesville Falcon Big-Bird Fly-In is scheduled for October 4 and 5, 2008, at the Copan, Oklahoma Model Air Park. Register at 8am for \$10.00 and fly at 9:00am. South Platte River Rats Model Airplane Club Open fly Event is scheduled for October 4 and 5, 2008, west of Platte City, MO. Pilot meeting at 9:30am, pilot fee \$10.00, fly 10:00am-4:00pm both days.

#### **Current Events**

Blue Sky Squadron IMAA Airshow September 20 and 21, 2008, at Topeka, KS.

St. Louis RC FA Annual Fly In September 20 and 21, 2008, at Eureka, MO.

Jefferson City Radio Control Annual Full-Helicopter Fly In September 20, 2008, at Jefferson City, MO.

#### **Treasurer's Report – John Caoile**

John's report on income and expenditures for the Jumbo Jamboree and the rained out Fall Fly-In and the up to date bank balance was approved as presented. Included in the income was a \$50 refund from Hy-Vee for a tray of chicken that they failed to deliver for the Jamboree dinner. Susan reported that she also received an apology letter from Hy-Vee.

John reported that a Health Department inspector showed up to inspect our concession stand at the Fall Fly-In. When told that the event was cancelled the inspector said we could get our concession stand permit fee returned. Susan Calvin has made the request for the refund.

#### **Parks Report – Bill McDonald**

Bill reported that the wheels that he had donated for the field mower have been installed and the mower is working better. However, it does not mow even. Harold Emanuel suggested that someone has bumped something while mowing and bent a blade or the mower deck frame.

Bill reported that Joe Cygan needs a report of Squadron member volunteer hours supporting the field or club activities at the field. Bill passed around a member listing for everyone to write down the number of their volunteer hours. He will turn the listing over to Joe for reporting to the Parks Department.

Bill reported that Joe Cygan told him that the Parks Department had issued a contract to repair the cracks in the runway. The date for the repair was not known.

#### **Safety Report – Harold Witte**

Nothing to report.

#### **Door Prizes**

Ken Smith opened discussion on whether we wanted to continue with the meeting door prizes. One reason is the drain on the treasurer and the other is the difficulty with purchasing prizes since the only local hobby shops are on Metcalf Avenue in Overland Park. A suggestion was made, seconded and approved to continue through this year and then suspend the program.

#### **Club Day**

Ken Smith opened discussion on having a club day at the field. A motion was made, seconded and approved to have a club day at the field on October 26, 2008.

#### **Fly-In Schedule for 2009**

Ken Smith opened discussion on fly-ins for 2009. Tentative dates are as follows:

Military Fly-In July 11, 2009, John Caoile CD

Jumbo Jamboree August 22, 2009, Susan Calvin CD

Fall Fly-In October 3, 2009, Wayne Oyler CD

**Raffle Tickets**

John Caoile stated that he has used all the paper stock for raffle tickets and asked if we wanted to preceed with that type raffle tickets. A motion was made, seconded and passed for John to order new paper stock for the tickets.

**Announcements**

Susan Calvin reported that she was not selected as the Secretary/Treasurer of the KAPA organization.

**Door Prizes and Winners**

**John Caoile purchased this month's prizes at Hobby Haven.**

Ernst Ultrastand – **Bill McDonald**

Hobbico 8"x12" Foam Rubber Pad – **Jerry Edwards**

Du-Bro E-Z Connectors – **John Caoile**

Du-Bro Exhaust Deflector – **Charlie Robinson**

Du-Bro Nylon T-style Control Horns – **Susan Calvin**

Bondus 1/16" Allen Wrench – **John Sincox**

Du-Bro 8/32" Blind Nuts & Screws – **Ken Smith**

Du-Bro 1/8" Dura-Collars – **Glenn Gill**

Du-Bro Nylon Kwik-Links – **Wayne Oyler**

Covering Iron Cover – **Susan Calvin**

Great Planes Nylon Wing Tip Skids – **Jerry Edwards**

Dave Brown Pushrod End Fitting – **Charlie Robinson**

Du-Bro Rubber Band Puller – **Glenn Gill**

Great Planes nylon Wing Tip Skids – **John Sincox**

Du-Bro 3/32" E/Z Adjust Horn Bracket – **Bill**

**McDonald**

**Future Door Prize Shoppers**

**October – John Sincox**

**November – Jay Crowley**

**December – Bill McDonald**

The meeting adjourned at **11:53am.**

**Jayhawk Big Bird Fly-In September 25 and 26, 2008**

John Caoile and I went to the Jayhawk Big Bird Fly-in at Lawrence, KS on September 25th. The field is very easy to get to and only took us about an hour even though there was some road construction on I-435. The first thing we noticed was that there was a lot of open space for flying. They really have a nice setup; shelter house, bleachers, chain link fencing separating the spectator area from the pit area and another chain link fence separating the pits from the pilot stands and runway.

Perhaps the best thing about the field is that they have both an east/west runway and a north/south runway. Both runways are well manicured grass. They also have a very nice PA system. They have four speakers attached to what appeared to be 2 foot squares of boards strategically placed on the ground to provide adequate sound for the spectators and pits. They utilize a wireless microphone system that allows the PA announcer to mingle amongst the pilots and spectators. Their announcers did an excellent job of providing information about the pilots and their models. They also interviewed several children making them feel welcome and passed out small punch-out foam airplanes to each one.

John and I chose to be spectators at the event and enjoyed a great day of watching some very good pilots put on a show with their models. The event was listed as a Big Bird event but they had models from small electric power models to what appeared to be a 40-50 percent scale model. There was at least one model in the air at all times, sometimes three or four. We saw a lot of nice models and watched some very good pilots. The announcer stated that they were going to quit flying about 5:00pm, go eat dinner and return about 8:00pm for some night flying. The night flying sounded interesting but John and I chose not to stay. We had a fun time and decided we would bring planes next time.

Submitted by Jerry Edwards

# AMA INSIDER

## Soldering Advisories

Someone suggested that the use of a soldering gun was safer than other types because it would not roll off the workbench and burn you. It should also be mentioned over and over that soldering guns have a very strong alternating current magnetic field around the tip. When brought in proximity to electric motors and servos, this magnetic field de-gausses (demagnetizes) the magnets inside the motors and servos and causes permanent damage.

I have seen several people come to the flying field with a new electric-powered airplane that does not have enough power for flight. When asked if they soldered the wires to the motor with a soldering gun, the answer is usually "yes."

Also you should never stick the tip of a soldering gun into the airplane's radio compartment while soldering pushrods and etc. as it will presently damage the motors inside the servos.

If you must use a soldering gun, you should stay well away from electric motors and servos, meaning at least 24 inches just to be safe

—From the Rogue Eagles RC Club, Medford, Oregon

From: Carl Lindsey <celmel@everestkc.net>

To: hubert speer <gordonspeer@sbcglobal.net>

Sent: Saturday, September 20, 2008 9:08:39 PM

Subject: RE: FOR SALE

Hubert

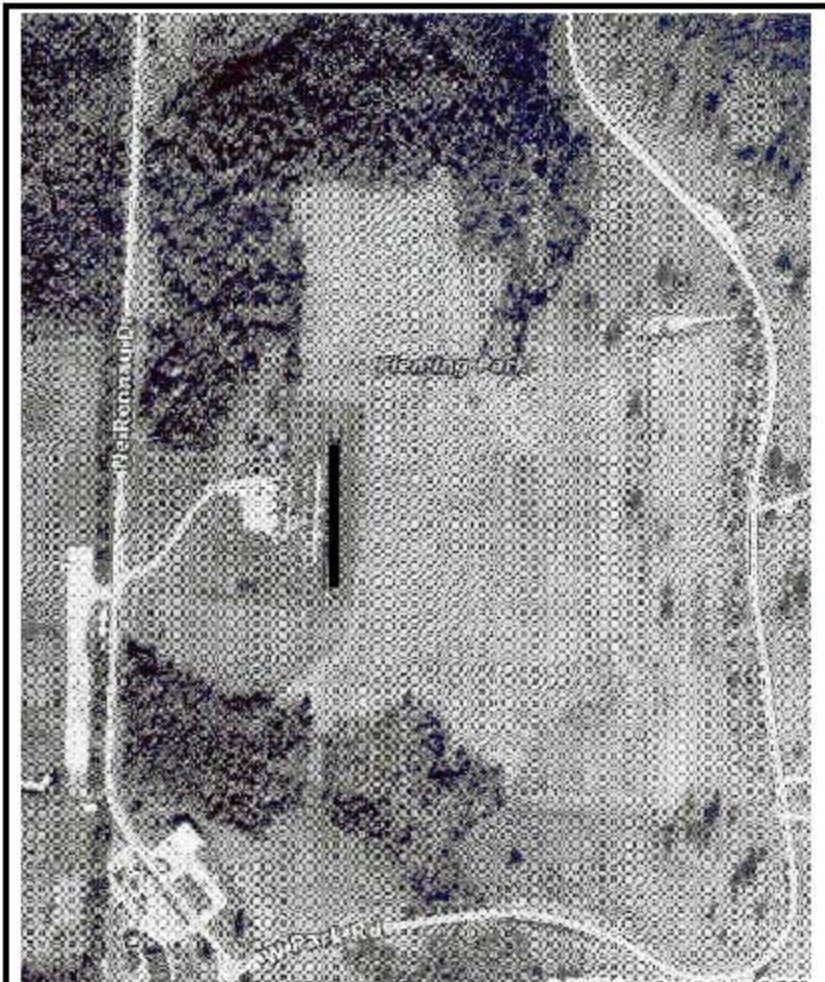
What's FOR Sale?

Carl

The airplanes and the radio equip.I just don't have the strength anymore to carry it all out there,and I haven't flown at all for two years. I have to watch Mary close,her short memory is going .



Contact Hubert for more Info  
at 816-257-2582  
or by E-Mail



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**There is plenty of space to the EAST and SOUTH for**  
**AEROBATICS AND 3-D FLYING**



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 ENGINE AND MUFFLER NEIGHBOR  
 FRIENDLY  
 IT MUST BE

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For calendar of Parks events :

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 Director of Jackson County  
 Parks and Recreation



Jeff Gilmore  
 Chief of Park Safety and Enforcement



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