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Next Club Meeting, 7 pm Tuesday, July 10th

At our Forest Preserve Flying Field

Editorial

We just got back from our trip to Maine. We consumed \$10.95 lobster, fried clams, shrimp, crab, and a few gallons of real New England Clam Chowder. Got a little queasy for three and a half hours on a whale watching catamaran but ended up fog watching instead and found out that "money back guaranteed" means half of your money back.

Well, I guess I was correct in last month's newsletter when I stated that the Fermilab fun fly was "unparalleled and you would see the best of the best". While still recovering from car lag I was able to watch Ross with his Excell rocket and the rest treat us all to some awe-inspiring demonstrations. What a show! Lots and lots of participants showed up. In my estimation there must have been 100 pilots at the event with a great many of our members present. We were very well represented. Cindy from Al's Hobby Shop and the Fermilab Barnstormers have really gotten this fun fly gathering down to a science and as always a very smooth and well-run operation. The Al Fuchs Memorial Helicopter Fun Fly was a great success and has to be one of the premier helicopter fun flies in the country. My only suggestion for next year would be that the one or two hundred people sharing that one Porta-potty for two days might be cutting it a little close. Now that I am over 39, if a line is too long, I sometimes forget what I'm waiting for.

This month we have a real treat in store for you in the Good Eats section. Take a trip into the past to see how Terry survived his younger single days. My Honey Bunch and I are getting the ingredients today to give these two recipes a try. I hope everyone had a chance to try our old family secret Cherry Dessert recipe

in last month's Good Eats section.

Without a doubt we have the best club and club members in the country, but don't forget, member participation is the lifeblood of any club. Please put those potato chips and that TV remote down and try and find the time to get involved!!! Be it at the flying field, club meeting or contributing to your newsletter. You are the club, and the club needs your support, and it's also lots of fun!!! I hope to see everyone at the flying field for the next meeting. Field meetings start at 7pm, but I will try and get there right after work.

Marty

President's Message

If you didn't make the Fermilab fun fly, you missed two fantastic days of flying. The weather was perfect and the quality of flying was phenomenal. There were factory reps showing off their flying skills and their machines. Curtis Youngblood is able to do things with helis that I did not think were possible. Our own Ross VanDorpe took 1st place in the drag races and he is still breaking in his engine! Way to go Ross! There were 99 registered pilots at the fun fly and I know of several pilots that just came to watch and didn't register. There were a lot of spectators present and a visit from the channel 2 news chopper on Saturday. Steve Hubbard won an Ergo 60-sport heli, and Steve Jensen won a Lite Machine 110. Must have been the lucky day if your name was Steve!

This month's meeting will again be held at the Grace Street Flying Field. We will start the meeting around 7:00pm instead of 7:30pm. I hope to see you all there.

Soft Landings!

Terry

Vice-President's Message

Wow, we had a ball at the Fermilab event. Thanks, Cindy; Al would be/must be proud. World's best flyers, great site, lots of NIRCHA guys, fantastic weather, lots of flying, fun events and great demos, lots of prizes, I could go on and on. It's a privilege to be able to go to it. I'm looking forward to the Muncie Internationals and our NIRCHA fun-fly event in September. In the meantime, might be able to get to Michigan on July 15. Except for doing lots of flying and gaining the confidence it provides, there's not much new that I can pass along. My last clutch is still going strong. Last glow plug lasted over 70 flights. Got screwed up making a few practice runs preparing for the drag racing at Fermilab; going back and forth between Norm and Idle-up, I forgot idle-up. Came back inverted and settled in for a nice inverted landing. Whop, whop; flop, flop. Learned a lesson and it cost less than \$10.00 worth of parts. No sadness on that one; chalk one up to experience. Broke out the spare Raptor and off we went.

Steve Jensen

Raptor Maintenance

Part Two (Almost)

I know that all of you have been waiting for the conclusion to my Raptor problems, so I have a confession to make, I did not get it done! I promise to get it done for the next newsletter and I'm sorry that I ran out of time. The strong back, weak mind was put to good use in helping 2 of my kids move to different houses. It also helps that I have a pick up truck and a flat bed car hauler to move things around with.

Just for the record I have recorded only 1 glitch since replacing the belt guides. More to come on this problem next month.

Terry

Editor: I think almost is still pretty good!

Better Ways and Shortcuts

If your helicopter just doesn't feel right, it probably isn't. Time to take your helicopter home and give it a good once over. I always hope that my chopper will heal itself. It never does but I guess, like the old saying goes, hope springs eternal. When will I learn? Marty

Read all about it!!!

Tim Schrier, after running only 2 gals of fuel through his brand new Raptor 30 (first helicopter), is doing LOOPS, ROLLS, and RUNNING LANDINGS. This has our News Editor (Marty Davis) totally BEWILDERED. Author Unknown

Editor: I think he must be a ringer!!

Anyone Have an Idea Why?

If you use a Futaba 8U that's not an "S" (newer) model, you may have a problem adjusting the aileron and elevator trims while in idle up 1 or 2. I had a similar problem until I discovered the trim buttons are not intended to work while in the idle up modes if the idle up modes are activated. The way to adjust trim for the idle up modes is through the offset command in the advanced menu. Yes, this is a pain, since I wouldn't try to do this while flying. But it is better than nothing. The trims are adjusted by giving a numeric value (+ or -) to the desired control. This then offsets the neutral point of the servo to a new position when the particular idle up mode is switched on. I make sure my idle up 1 and 2 are both activated and set the same, to avoid a mishap should I switch the switch to the "wrong" setting.

Mark Clausen

I had a call last night from Mark Clausen. He had the same problem as, I believe if I remember right from the last meeting night, Steve Hubbard. It seems that the Futaba 8-channels that aren't the newer "Super" model are a challenge in idle-up 1; the trims don't seem to be activated. It might just be a menu problem?

Steve Jensen

Getting the Bell Out

Had someone ask how to get the clutch bell out so the liner can be changed. Splitting the frame to get it out is way too much work. After dropping the motor and removing the starter collet, the start shaft might not drop right out due to burrs. You'll have to file the burrs away. Avoid using hard tools to hold the pinion gear; one good way is to take two lengths of maple (airplane) engine mount stock and taper one end of each piece for clearance in the frame at the pinion gear. Drill a hole through the maple a bit back from the tapered end (plenty larger than the bolt) and put in a bolt and nut and washers. The idea is to make a clamp for the pinion that won't nick it. To thread the bell off, you might need traction (wrap electrical tape around it) and a handle (tighten a tie-wrap around it). We covered the rest in last month's newsletter.

Steve Jensen

Event Calendar

The 8th annual St. Charles Festival of the Giants is going to be held July 13th through the 15th. Just take Route 64 south past Randall Rd. to Campton Hills Rd. and then look for signs on left. The St. Charles Festival of the Giants is a must see. Literally one hundred or more of the top scale airplanes in the country will be there. Friday and Saturday are the best days with activities starting to wind down by noon on Sunday. I wouldn't steer you wrong on this. Don't forget your camera. Marty

Pylon races, OS FP 40 engines, August 12th, in St Charles, for more information call Ph. 815-578-0743. Fox Valley Aero Club, field just off Campton Hills Rd., St. Charles.

Biplanes only, August 26th, might be fun to watch, for more info, call 630-357-7350, Fox Valley Aero Club, field just off Campton Hills Rd., St. Charles. Same location as the two above. Marty

The Palos R/C Flying Club 2001 Calendar. Flying site: Morrill Meadow @ Rt. 45 & 107th Street, 300 ft. paved runway, spectator restraining fence and large parking lot.

July 22 - Fun Fly	9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Aug. 4 - Jet / Military Show	9:00 AM to 3:30 PM
5 - Jet / Military Show	9:00 AM to 3:30 PM
19 - Pylon Racing	9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Sept. 9 - Giant Scale Air Show	9:00 AM to 3:30 PM

All Events are Free to the Public. Bring your Helicopters and Airplanes; there is plenty of time and daylight left to fly after their events are over. Reported by Ron Kwilinski

IRCHA Confirmed 2001 Contest Calendar

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Aug. 31-	Southern California R/C Heli	Encino, CA
Sept. 2	Classic Fun Fly	
Sept. 7-15	World Championships	Muncie, IN
Sept. 16-19	IRCHA World Jamboree	Muncie, IN
Sept. 29-30	Mid-Atlantic Heli Expo	Greensboro, NC
Oct. 13-14	The "Traveling" Contest	Jacksonville, AL

The World Championships and IRCHA Jamboree will be the single biggest R/C Helicopter event in the world. Anyone who can get there this year should consider going. But, make your hotel reservations early, as it will be a crowded event! Reported by Jeff Torsrud

Good Eats by Chef Terry

Two of my favorites from my single days.

Bachelors Delight

This is best when cooked on a grill or an open wood fire with lots of beer to wash it down.

This dish varies from cook to cook. It depends on what you like so you can make it to suit your individual tastes. 1 lb. hamburger, 2 to 3 potatoes, carrots, onion, celery, mushrooms and whatever else you like.

Lay a sheet of tin foil out on table about 24 inches long

Place hamburger in center of tin foil

Season with Lowreys and pepper

Place cubed onions on hamburger

Place cubed potatoes on top

Place sliced carrots and celery on top of the whole pile

Lift both sides of tin foil bring together and roll down to food

Roll both ends in until reaches food

Place another sheet of tin foil same size on table

Place food/foil ball seam down on tin foil

Lift and roll as above

This can be placed directly on hot coals

Place outside seam down cook for 20 min

Roll over (use pliers, glove, or stick to roll over) cook another 20 min.

Tear open top let cool and eat.

Will feed about 2 or one very hungry person; can be made bigger to feed more

Do not be afraid to experiment, a piece of bacon makes it taste very different. If you don't like onions leave them off. If you love anchovies put them on.

Or try this:

Hamburger & Beans

This one's easy. 2 pounds of hamburger, 1 onion, 1 medium can of Pork and Beans

Cook hamburger and onions until done

Drain excess grease

Add 1 can of pork and beans, (I prefer Bush baked beans)

Heat and Serve

If you like spicy foods add Jalapeno peppers when you are cooking hamburger

Bon Appetite! Terry

For Sale - Lots of Good Stuff

For Sale: Kyosho Nexus 30 S, (less motor, radio, receiver, and servos) Helimax Aluminum Cooling Fan, Aluminum Mixing Levers, 2 oz. Header Tank, Upgraded swash plate, Helimax Micro Piezo Gyro. Spare parts included: Boom, (2) “new” tail rotor case, (3) spare drive wire, “new” drive wire inserts, extra landing gears, feathering shaft, main shaft, fly bar, fly bar paddles, new and used fins, rotor blades, insert nuts, new and used swash plates, ball links, etc... Heli is in excellent condition. Has about 1/2 dozen flights. Had (1) boom strike, everything damaged replaced with "new" parts. Asking \$ 175.00 plus shipping. If interested, please email me at DaRaceNGuy@aol.com. Rod

For Sale: Lite Machine, it has a Sport Piezo Gyro, hitech radio. new parts include: motor, clutch, tail boom, main blades, main shaft gear, canopy, pretty much all of it is new. Have extra engine and other parts too. asking \$500.00 please page or e-mail Jorge

pg.(708) 378-1351 e-mail jrealty@juno.com

For Sale: 21st Century Toys AH-6 Fuse for sale. It's ready to be bolted on. All you need is plywood, cap nuts, and bolts. It's brand new...never bolted on and never flown. It comes with original box and does have the machine guns and rocket launchers. I did fit it on a Nexus .30 but others have bolted it on Raptors. Asking \$ 50.00 plus shipping. If you're interested, please email me at DaRaceNGuy@aol.com... Rod

For Sale: Thunder Tiger 36 heli engine that came with the Raptor. This engine has never been run, it is brand spankin' new and includes muffler. (I, myself, am an O.S. man) Price: \$75.00 or best offer contact me at 815.356.8518 or email at richerikson@email.com

For Sale: all wood glider with 8 ft wingspan ready to fly. Glider has Cox .049 engine W/muffler and a 7 channel Challenger 720 radio. I have an extra receiver for it too. Asking \$280.00. I also have a Piper Cub that I want to sell in excellent condition O.S. 25, brand new Futaba 4 channel radio, ready to fly, asking 325.00

Contact Jorge, Pager (708) 378-1351 or cell (708) 220-6635

For Sale: Cannon 2 channel R/C systems, Transmitter, receiver, two servos, and batteries, under 2 oz., channel 39, \$100 or best offer. 630-377-1865 Marty

For Sale: Futaba transmitter, FP-T8UAP, PCM 1024, one before Super 8, \$150, 630-377-1865 Marty

NORTHERN ILLINOIS RC HELICOPTER ASSOC.

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We are actively looking for new members to join our Radio Control Helicopter Club. All that is required is an interest in R/C helicopters, field permit, and a \$20 membership fee. Please feel free to join us at one of

our meetings to become a member or just for a visit. We hope to see you at the next meeting. Our Club web page is: <http://members.nbc.com/nircha/> and is maintained by Web Guy, Rich Erikson.

Meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of every month, at 7:30pm, at John's Pizzeria, 100 E. Lake St., Addison, IL (1/2 block East of the intersection of Addison Rd and Lake St.). During the summer, the monthly meetings are held at the flying field, June, July, and August.

Our Forest Preserve Flying field is located on Grace St., Addison, and one mile north of North Ave. Field permits can be obtained by calling 630-933-7200.

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Membership can be renewed at any meeting or sent directly to our club treasurer, Robb Rinn, 433
Lake Lawn, Aurora, IL 60506. Check should be made out to Northern Illinois R/C Helicopter Assoc.
You are the club and the club needs your support! Please renew your membership **NOW!!!**

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