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The Mustang Minute

By: Greg Stevens
President

Spring has Sprung!!

First off, I need to clarify the dates for our April meeting. I'd been telling everyone for two months now that our April meeting was on the 30th which, as I found out this week, was only partially true. What I didn't realize was that the VFW had us also booked for April 9th. This all came about last fall, when the VFW approached me and said they had inadvertently booked the room for the second Tuesday of May and could we switch to a date in April? For that reason I booked the 9th, which is our traditional second Thursday as well as April 30th. The April 30th date was chosen since we couldn't hold a meeting in May at the VFW. I apologize for any confusion this is causing. All you have to remember is there are two meetings in April, one on the 9th, the other on the 3oth.

Hopefully by the time you read this, you 'll have enjoyed a bit of warmer weather along with the anticipation of getting out of the house to do some flying. I know for me, last weekend proved to be the first that I was able to finally get out of the house and back into some flying after what seemed to be a really long winter. Of course before heading out to the field, I did the usual inspection of all my plane's flight components, recharged all of my batteries and did some much needed touch up of the Monokote to get out some pesky winkles as a result of hanger rash. If you're like me and haven't really kept sharp over the winter with indoor flying, the first flight can be a little tense. But as they say, "it's like riding a bike", you never really forget how, and it all comes back in no time. So welcome spring and a new flying season.

And with spring, comes the first signs of a new season bringing with it the first sightings of Robins, the smell of freshly cut grass, the anticipation of temperatures in the mid -50's and ah yes,..... THE ANNUAL ARGUING OVER THE FRICKIN GRASS CUTTING!!!! It just wouldn't be spring if we didn't have some heated conversations over this topic. For a quick update, I'm continuing to correspond with the FPDCC offices to see what they can or can't do for us this year along with Dale getting additional pricing from landscape contractors for the weekly cutting to be able to compare these to Unique's service. Preliminarily, the FPDCC has sent back a response saying they most likely cannot honor our request for a consistent weekly cut at the length we need. However, I also received an email from Daniel Betts saying that he is awaiting a proposal from his maintenance team which he will review and then respond to our request. Hopefully, this will happen in the next few days.

Next up, we held our banquet in early March at Chef Klaus' German restaurant. (Photos on Page 4.) I must say, the food didn't disappoint; it was great and plenty of it. It's rare that I don't clean my plate, but I must say I did ask for a doggie bag. This year there were 41 members and wives, which turned out to be a great showing. Congratulations to Debbie Licatesi, Joe's wife, and Ann Dargis, Scott's wife, who were the lucky winners of the gift cards. Also a big thank you to Bestiched, who once again as one of our sponsors, came through with an entire box of SAC logo items for the men's raffle including shirts, hats, jackets and other items.

Finally, last week a group of our officers met with club officers from Palos RC and Model Masters to get a general sense of what everyone is doing with their respective clubs, coordinate events and just talk about the state of the hobby. We all agreed last year that it would be good to get together at the beginning of every year just to hear what everyone's up to

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April SAC Dates

- **SAC Club Meeting**
  April 9, 7:00 PM
  Tinley Park VFW
  172nd & Oak Park Ave.
  Tinley Park, IL.
- **Dope Can Articles Deadline April 22**
- **Dope Can Published April 28**

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March2015 Meeting Minutes

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Suburban Aero Club of Chicago
Minutes of
General Monthly Meeting
March 12, 2015
At the VFW club in Tinley Park, IL.
Sam Helmich, Secretary

Meeting called to order at : 7:07 pm, by President Greg Stevens. There were 58 members present.

Reports by Committees or Officers:

Secretary Minutes: By Sam Helmich. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Kevin Ragauskis and seconded by Ron Wegrzyn. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: By Dale Thorne. A motion to accept the treasures report as read was made by Stan Dzieciolowski and second by Bob Stroz. Motion Carried.

Safety Officers: Planes by Nothing

Helicopter - Mike Zubik, Nothing

Field: Still looking into a weather station. Discussed CCFPD permits and how they charge SAC. Grass cutting increasing to $140 per cut this year. We are still trying to work with CCFPD to see if they can cut some more of the grass consistently, we are waiting their response.

Past Events. Annual banquet held at Klaus' in Mokena. 41 attended, all had a good time.

Future Events: Toledo April 10th – 12th, DuPage Shop 'til you Drop, April 4th.

New Business: SAC has scheduled a Chicago area club officers meeting for March 24th. Gentle Jungle has their Fuel purchase going until April 1.

Gooney Bird: Will Smith

Meeting Adjourned at: 8:15 pm

WINNER!

Pat Habel won the grand prize of the March Raffle and is shown at left holding it, an AT-6 ARF.
Nice Plane, Pat! Congratulations!

GOONEY!

Will Smith received the March Gooney for hitting a parked car with his airplane…WHILE the driver was seated in the car. He is shown at left in the photo, receiving it from Dan Fuhrman.

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and find out any other useful information that might be helpful to everyone. This year the hot topic of conversation was, of course, the FPDCC new permitting format, the hardships that it is imposing on the clubs, and what each of our respective clubs is doing to counter the change. The other discussion topic was what the clubs have planned for the 100 year celebration activity for which the Forest Preserve District is trying to get participation. The District is trying to get 100 activities planned between all of the preserves during this celebratory week. Most events will be scheduled the weekend of September 26th and 27th. Palos RC is planning on having an air show and Model Masters is having a day of flight training. We haven't committed to any event yet, so this is something we'll be talking about at the upcoming meetings to begin planning an event. In general, it was thought to have an introduction to flight event for kids and adults.

As a final reminder, we're having our typical second Thursday of the month meeting on April 9th with the May meeting happening on April 30th.

March Show and Tell

By: Jared Bachman

(*Editors Note: Jared Bachman displayed and discussed his discus launch glider at the March meeting and later supplied this follow-up information.)*

Aerial DLG Specs
59" wingspan
9.2oz AUW (LIGHT)
Four Channel (Optional Five for Flaperons/Spoilerons) Uses Spoilerons and Flaperons
Airframe Price: $770
Dealer: armsoar.com
Construction: 100% Carbon Fiber

This plane flys very well and will stay aloft for minutes from a simple toss. Launch heights of 80-150' can be expected when using the discuss launch style. Being so light, this plane will take any lift and thermals you give it, providing for a soaring experience like no other. If you are looking to get into DLG Gliding I recommend purchasing a glider second hand like I did as it is a much more economical option.

Unfortunately, this plane is currently not flight worthy after spoilerons were activated instead of flaps on final, which caused the plane to hit the ground hard. On the next launch the entire boom separated from the rest of the fuselage. Luckily, some fiberglassing should get this wonderful model flight worthy soon.

Coming to the Next Meeting

APRIL FOOL MYSTERY RAFFLE

What is the Grand Prize?

Only Bob Knows!

Or Does He?

April 9

Show up! Buy tickets!

Bestitched

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FREE TRAINING, yes, really FREE!

Location:
McCook Athletic Expo (max)
4750 Vernon Ave.
McCook, IL 60525

max-PRC Flite Nite #2

Monday, May 4th, 07:30-10:00pm

Learn to fly with us!
Trainer planes provided by LaGrange Hobby. You'll learn on the best: Horizon's Sport Cub S with SAFE Technology.

A portion of our flying field will be dedicated to training use for the first hour. If you've wanted to learn to fly indoors, don't miss this opportunity!

Beginners: All required equipment is supplied. You need bring only yourself and your enthusiasm!

Routine fee and policies apply for experienced fliers.

Info: dprintz@dprintz.com | www.palosrc.com | 630-550-6900

DO NOT MISS THIS!

BUS LEAVES FROM:
McCook Athletic Expo (max)
4750 Vernon Ave.
McCook, IL 60525

Oshkosh EAA by BUS

Saturday, July 25, 2015
06:00am – 10:00pm

DETAILS:

- Includes: Bus, Driver Tip, EAA Admission, Jimmy Johns Box Lunch for return trip.
- Includes all costs except what you spend inside the gate.
- Bus parks at entrance – easy in and out!
- We leave PROMPTLY at 06:00 am. Be early at the max.
- Bring folding chair, umbrella, hat, sunblock, etc.
- The trip happens in any weather – lots to do and see even in a rain.
- NO REFUNDS!
- First come, first served. Price:
  - EAA Member = $85.00 (must show membership card at entrance)
  - Non-EAA Member = $100.00
- 50% deposit to "Dave Printz for Oshkosh 15" by 04/01/2015. Balance by 05/01/2015. NO LATE PAYMENTS ACCEPTED! See address, below.
- Call or email questions any time.

Info: dprintz@dprintz.com | 122 Surrey Ln. Burr Ridge, IL 60527 | 630-550-6900

Photos show members and guests enjoying the annual SAC banquet held March 8 at Chef Klaus' Bier Stube in Frankfort.

SUBURBAN AEROCLUB
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ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY FLOAT FLY

MAY 23, 2015
8 AM to 2 pm+

DIRECTIONS: Exit Hwy 57 at 167th and proceed west to Cicero,
Twin Lakes is located on the NW corner of
167th and Cicero, Oak Forest, IL. 60452

Bring family, friends and floats
Landing fee: Only $10.00
Big/Small planes, electric boats and helicopters
Runway limited to water. All aircraft require floats.
AMA sanctioned event sponsored by: The Suburban Aero Club of Chicago
PRIZES TO BE ANNOUNCED AT A LATER DATE

Hamburgers, Hotdogs, & Pop will be available at the cook tent.
Large grassy area for guests, pull up a lawn chair or throw down a blanket and get ready to have some **FUN** at our club event. Porta-potty on site.

For additional info contact C/D: Ron Wegrzyn
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Suburban AeroClub of Chicago
2015 Event Schedule

• April 17	Float Fly	Twin Lakes
• May 2	Float Fly	Twin Lakes
• May 15	Float Fly	Twin Lakes
• May 23	Memorial Day Float Fly	Twin Lakes
• May 30	Fun Fly	SAC Field
• June 6	Float Fly	Twin Lakes
• June 9	Daley Plaza Event	Chicago
• June 19	Float Fly	Twin Lakes
• June 28	Club Picnic	SAC Field
• July 4	Float Fly	Twin Lakes
• July 17	Float Fly	Twin Lakes
• July 26	War Bird Day	SAC Field
• August 1	Float Fly	Twin lakes
• August 15	National Model Aviation Day	SAC Field
• August 21	Float Fly	Twin Lakes
• August 29	Heli Fun Fly	SAC Field
• Sept. 5	Labor Day Float Fly	Twin Lakes
• Sept. 12	Electric Fun Fly	SAC Field
• Sept. 18	Float Fly	Twin Lakes
• Sept. 26	FPDCC 100 Centennial	SAC Field
• October 22	Club Auction	Tinley Park VFW
• Nov. 15	Turkey Shoot	SAC Field

Indoor Flying is Back!!

7:00 PM to 9:30 PM

Homer Junior High School
15711 Bell Road
Homer Glen, Illinois

November	7,14 and 21
December	5 and 12
January	9, 16, 23 and 30
February	6,20 and 27
March	6, 13, 20 and 27
April	17

SWAP TIL' YOU DROP 2015

Radio Control Swap Meet

Sponsored by: Suburban RC Barnstormers Inc.

April 4th 2015
8:00 AM thru 12:00 PM

Table Set Up and Check In at 7:15 AM
General Admission at 8:00 AM

Planes – Boats – Cars – Helicopters – and More

Held at the DuPage County Fair Grounds
2015 West Manchester Lane Wheaton, IL 60187

Tables $17 pre-registered/$15 (3) or more - $20 at door
One Adult admission with each table
Admission Adults $5 - Children under 12 Free
Coffee – Donuts – Pop Available

For Info Call: Debbie or John Howe – (630) 541-3054
Mail Table Reservations to: 6204 Stable Road Woodridge, IL 60517
Email - RcWife2@yahoo.com -Web Site: www.suburbanrcbarnstormers.com
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max/PRC Indoor Flying Schedule

See this Schedule Sheet and the Policy-Rules Sheet for full info.					Color Legend Below:
These dates reflect scheduled FLYING DATES at the MAX.					= 2-Fields
The schedule is updated by 08:00 a.m. every Friday for the following week.					= CANCELLED
If flying is CANCELLED, there will be an apropos note in the cell					= 1-Field Only
Plan to visit this schedule BEFORE you leave for MAX in the event of last-minute changes.					
Month	Tuesday 12:00-03:00pm	Thursday 11:00-02:00pm	Friday 12:00-03:00pm	** SPECIAL ** Nite Flites See Content for Hours	
April	3/31/2015	4/2/2015		Mon 04/06/15 08:30-11:00pm	
	4/7/2015	4/9/2015			
	4/14/2015	4/16/2015			
	4/21/2015	4/23/2015			
	4/28/2015	4/30/2015			
May	5/5/2015	5/7/2015		Mon 05/04/15 07:30-10:00pm	
	5/12/2015		5/15/2015		
	5/19/2015		5/22/2015		
	5/26/2015		5/29/2015		
June	6/2/2015		6/5/2015	Mon 06/01/15 07:30-10:00pm	
	6/9/2015		6/12/2015		
	6/16/2015		6/19/2015		
	6/23/2015		6/26/2015		
	6/30/2015		7/3/2015		
July	7/7/2015		7/10/2015	Mon 07/06/15 07:30-10:00pm	

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION OR RENEWAL 2015

Dues: $55 (Regular) ☐ **$10 (under 18)** ☐ ****Mailing Fee for Dope Can: $5** ☐

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Name (Please print): _____ **AMA No.:** _____

Date of Birth: _____ **Email:** _____

Are you a Veteran?: ☐

Complete the section below only if your information has changed since last year:

Address: _____ **Phone: ( ) _____**

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Please Note: The club roster including names, AMA numbers and contact information will be available to members in the password-protected section of the club website. If you wish any of your information excluded from that site, please indicate above by circling the identifier for the item(s). Example: Email: _____

Bring this form to any monthly meeting, or mail to:
Dale Thome, 21440 S. 78th Ave., Frankfort, IL 60423

FLYING FIELD EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Both sides of the pin box should be opened for access to frequency pins, first aid materials and fire extinguishers.

Incident report forms are kept in the box. Reporting injuries and near misses allows us to investigate and determine what can be done to prevent re-occurrences

Emergency information signs are posted at the field.

Ambulance Service

Dial 911 and request help "at the flying field located on Cicero between Flossmoor and Vollmer Roads"

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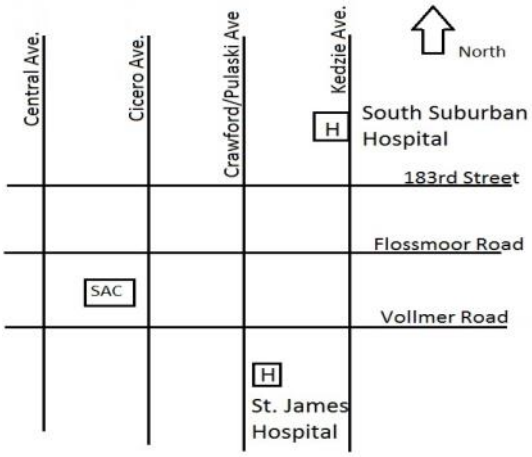

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