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# Glitch Busters

Delaware R/C Club, [WWW.Delawarerc.org](http://WWW.Delawarerc.org)



## Next Club Meeting: March 4, 2008

- Location: Wm Penn High School Cafeteria 2
- Raffle TBA
- Program Topic: TBA
- Next Club Event

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Delaware RC  
Welcomes  
New Member:  
Dave Liddle

## The Prez Sez

The weather this year can't seem to make up its mind! Seems we get teased during the week and the weekends are hit and miss. I know a few people including myself have made it out the field a couple times this month and got some flying in.

It's been officially decided that Vinny D is part Eskimo.

We will be laying sod on the entire line of trees along the pit area. We will have a load of dirt arriving within the next week and be ordering sod shortly. I will put out a bulletin for help once we have an official sod day set. During this time the area will be roped off and we will ask that everyone stay off the new sod while we give it a chance to take hold.

We are still on the hunt for club trainers and would greatly appreciate anyone stepping forward to assist in this area. I will still be trying my best to help whenever possible as I feel it's important to help out new members. Also the scale fun fly has been a topic of late and been asking at the meetings for someone to step up and CD this event. As of yet no one has and I would hate to loose this event. This is a last and final call for someone to please step up to the plate and run this event for the club. Please contact me directly if you would like to do this.

I have been approached by several members who are thinking about taking part in the IMAC in June. I have been talking with a top class unlimited pilot, 2 Intermediate pilots, and a Sportsman pilot who are all very good flyers. We are trying to work out a day where they will come to the field and help anyone who is interested in learning and being walked through the sequences. The field will not be closed for this day or anything of that nature, but it will be a day for any member who would like to learn about IMAC or just learn to improve their flying skills to come out and get a chance to pick the brains of some great pilots. This will happen sooner than later but no dates have been decided, I will let everyone know when it will happen so you can make sure you can attend.

Lastly, I am looking for ideas on how to improve the club meetings and increase attendance! I am planning on doing one meeting coming up where I will discuss the new A123 battery technology and a meeting on 2.4GHz. If there is a topic you would like to learn more about or you would like to speak about something, please let me know so we can setup an education calendar.

Until next time, stay warm! Jake

## Meeting Minutes

General Membership Meeting of the Delaware R/C Club was held on Tuesday February 5, 2008

President **Jake Ruddy** called to order at 7:35 PM

Show and tell: **Brad Finley** brought in a Mig 15;

**John Moscariello** brought in a Top Flite F4U Corsair 60 with an OS.61

Old Business: **Jake Ruddy**:

Need to get **CD for up-coming events**

**Tree roots** around the picnic tables: how to proceed on repairs on the ground cover

Safety: **John Kirchstein**: Tree roots tripping problem; Tie down or have someone **hold the airplane** when starting

Treasurer report: **Mark McQuaide**

New Business: **Jake Ruddy**: **Shed maintenance**: need people to help with repairs  
**Safety bench** to be brought up and put at a flight station for starting airplanes up to 90 size; Need people to CD events: **Parking pass** is needed March 1, 2008

Greg Schock

## Dues are Over-Due

If you receive a paper copy of the newsletter, Our records show that you haven't paid dues for 2008.

I've enclosed a membership application with this mailing . Please check the accuracy of the information on the pre-filled portion and submit your dues to Mark McQuaide; Park rules say that you can't fly without being a paid-up member

## Brandywine Hobbies Closes it's Doors

Ed Ridgik, after a long time in the hobby retail business, has sold his remaining stock to G-Force Hobbies. G-Force is in the process of moving the stock to their Stanton store and will be offering this increased variety of aircraft oriented products for sale as they are received.

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## Safety Notes

.This service advisory affects only owners of the Futaba TM-7 module and 6EX and 7C FASST systems. Each FASST transmitter contains a unique eight digit identification code, programmed at the factory to identify the respective transmitter and to allow a receiver to be paired only to that radio's signal. Recently we have learned that a very small number of the TM-7 modules, and 6EX and 7C FASST systems were incorrectly coded with a common code number during the manufacturing process. These units were subsequently sold prior to our awareness of the situation.

If two or more units, utilizing this common identification code, were to be in use simultaneously, they may cause interference with one another. Please note: Units which utilize the correct identification code will not be affected by these units.

It is important to note that the precautionary measures are relevant only to the Futaba FASST items with serial numbers as described below. To determine if your transmitter might be affected, look on the bottom of the transmitter case. If using the TM-7 module, the serial number is located on the inside portion of the module:

6EX: A7xxxxxxx without the "I" (Inspected) sticker

7C 07xxxxxxx without the "I" (Inspected) sticker

TM-7 07xxxxxx without the "I" (Inspected) sticker

1. As with all radio control equipment, we strongly suggest that you pre-flight your aircraft thoroughly prior to flying. When flying at a location with other FASST owners, prior to flying we suggest that all pilots briefly activate their systems simultaneously to check for any interaction between units. If any interactions should occur, do NOT fly. Return the unit to the Futaba Service Center for immediate replacement.
2. Each time that your transmitter is turned on, it is imperative that you allow the FASST system an adequate amount of time to thoroughly boot-up completely before shutting down the transmitter. After the battery voltage appears on the LCD, we recommend allowing the system to remain on at least one (1) additional second prior to turning off the power to the transmitter.
3. If the transmitter and receiver have lost their binding which required them to be re-linked, we recommend returning them to the Futaba Service Center for analysis. This is not expected behavior and should be investigated accordingly.

We have set up test stations at participating hobby shops throughout the country where you will be able to determine -- within a matter of minutes -- whether or not your transmitter is affected, at no charge to you.

*G-Force Hobbies in Stanton has been designated as a test station and has the equipment in-house ready to check your transmitter.*

## Meeting Place Needed

The school plans to remodel the cafeteria, so we will not be able to meet there again this year after the March meeting. If you know of a suitable meeting place, please make contact with them so we can have a meeting indoors in April; otherwise it looks like we will be meeting at the field, but we will still need a place for the winter

## Park passes are required at Delaware State Parks starting Saturday , March 1st

Dominic DeNest, passed away February 24. He was a former member of the Delaware RC Club for many years until his health problems became an issue. He was a long time modeler from an early age (1930's) and only stopped for WWII and raising a family. He joined the club in the late 1960's when it was still at the Limestone Road flying site.



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## Set Your Course for Upcoming Club Events

June 7-8, 2008	IMAC Competition (2 Tony's)
July 11-13, 2008.	Warbirds over Delaware
July 25-27, 2008.	Helis over Delaware
TBA August , 2008	Club Fun-Fly
September 21,2008	Club Picnic
October 12, 2008	Day in DE (Helis)

## Other Waypoints of Interest

March 8, 2008	Lebanon Flea Market
April 4-6, 2008	Toledo Show
May 14-17, 2008	Joe Nall

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