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# Glitch Busters

Delaware R/C Club, <u>WWW.Delawarerc.org</u>



#### Next Club Meeting: September 2, 2008

 Location: Pavilion at Lums pond flying field at 7:00

• Raffle: 50/50

Program Topic: TBA

Next Club Event: Club Picnic - Sunday Sept. 21

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Delaware RC
Welcomes
New Members: Kim
and Buckley Brown,
Ed Finley, Robert
Distefano, Bob Abbot

#### The Prez Sez

Greetings to all Delaware R/C Club flyers / members.

2008 has been a year of change and growth for the Delaware R/C Club and its executive leadership. The month of August is no exception. Our former President, Jake Ruddy, has decided to resign his post. We thank Jake for his contributions and wish him the best moving forward.

Your current leadership structure for the remainder of 2008 is now:

Vaughn LeSage - President

Brian Pasternak - Vice President

Greg Schock - Secretary

Mark McQuaide - Treasurer

John Kirchstein - Safety Officer

As we move into September, it is time once again to prepare for our annual club elections. Nominations of club officers will be made during the October 2008 meeting. This year will see (3) positions up for election. Vice President and Treasurer as part of the regular bi-annual rotation and President as a special election. Mark McQuaide has expressed interest in extending his current Treasurer position appointment for an additional term. We will still need nominations for President and Vice President. Anyone that has an interest (or would like to nominate a fellow member) in a club leadership position, please submit your name.

September 21, 2008 will be the annual club picnic. Brian Pasternak will be coordinating the event. We will need a few volunteers to help with setup and clean up. Please let Brian know of you are able to assist.

The Delaware R/C Auction and Swap Meet will take place Saturday November 8, 2008 at Shue Middle School, 1500 Capital Trail (Kirkwood Highway), Newark, DE, 19711. Doors open to the public at 9:00am and the auction starts at 11:00am sharp. Tables are \$15.00 each and you must **confirm** with Dick Stewart (302-368-2911) by October 15, 2008.

Have a fun and safe month of flying!

Vaughn

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## **Meeting Minutes**

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

President Jake Ruddy called to order at 7:30PM.

Guest: Kevin, Steven, Ray, Bill

Show and Tell: Stan Michalski brought a Kwik Fly MK3

Treasurer report: Jake Ruddy

Safety report: John Kirchstein

Need to put your AMA card in the frequency rack

when at the field for 72MHZ and 2.4 radios

Field report: Dan Hosier

**New Business:** 

Vaughn LeSage volunteered to be Vice President HOD report: by Dave Skinner they had 78 pilots

WOD report by Pete they had 180 pilots

Need people to run for office for Vice President

in this fall's elections

Club picnic will be September 21,2008

**Greg Schock** 

#### **Future Meetings at the Cafeteria**

Confirmation has been received from William Penn High School. We will be using the Cafeteria 2 meeting room for the rest of the school year, starting with the October meeting. September 2008 Page 3

# **Safety Talk**

There is some concern about the safety of flying a bunch of Strykers at once with the aim of knocking each other out of the sky. I don't want to be a spoil-sport, but I share that concern. It would be best if the folks participating in this mayhem would work at preventing injury to themselves, spectators or airplanes in the pits. Keeping a distance from the flight line is a good start. It has also been suggested that the pilots could stand farther out on the runway to move the risk away from the pit/spectator area. No one has been hurt yet. Its more fun than a barrel of flying monkeys. If we can keep it safe, we can continue to enjoy it.

I'm looking hard at the problem of frequency pins and the new Spread Spectrum (SS) radio systems. Obviously, we no longer need frequency control for those systems, but we still need to verify membership in AMA and the club. Two possible solutions are: 1)Have a numbered (1,2,3...) set of pins for the SS radios and require that the pin be displayed on the transmitter and the AMA card be put in the pin rack. 2)The other possibility is to require that the member's AMA card be displayed while he is flying. I don't have a strong feeling for either method and am open to suggestions for alternate ways to do this. If the first method is adopted, we could put a 2.4 "clip-board" at the Heli end of the field and another for fixed wing either on the fence or the bulletin board along the flight line.

John Kirchstein, Safety Officer

## Dues are payable for 2009

and send it to Mark with your dues.

September starts the new dues cycle; New members joining now will get the rest of the year included in the membership fee. Mark has the '09 membership stickers to be put on the AMA card indicating membership for 09. The new membership forms are available on the web at <a href="http://www.delawarerc.org/membershipform09.pdf">http://www.delawarerc.org/membershipform09.pdf</a> this is a "typewriter enabled" form, so you can download it and type in your information, then print



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Club Picnic	September 21, 2008.	<u>0</u>
Annual Club Auction	November 8, 2008	<u> </u>

Additional Waypoints of Interest		
NEAT Fair	Sept 12-14, 2008	
Salem RC Bar-B-Que	Sept 14,2008	
Octoberfest Vintage Fly-in	October 11,12, 2008	

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