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Glitch Busters

Delaware R/C Club, WWW.Delawarerc.org



Next Club Meeting: October 7, 2008

- Location: Wm Penn High School Cafeteria 2
- Raffle: 50/50
- Program Topic: TBA

Next Club Event:
Club Auction Nov. 8, 2008

The Prez Sez

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

As we prepare to enter the month of October, I am amazed how quickly the 2008 season has (pardon the pun) flown by. It seems like yesterday, we were giving our planes and helicopters a thorough check to get ready for the 2008 flying season. After a few more weeks, it will be time to start the process over.

It has been a great 'weather' year for flying. Though we did have the occasional rained out weekend, we had plenty of opportunities to get out and fly. I, for one, plan on flying through the colder months and hope to see many of you do the same.

I would like to remind our membership that beginning with the October meeting; we will be switching to our fall / winter location, the **William Penn High School** cafeteria. The only caveat will be the November meeting as it conflicts with Election Day. A location is still to be determined. We will make an announcement to the membership as soon as a location has been secured.

October is an important time for the Delaware R/C club. **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. 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 was the annual club picnic. Brian Pasternak and Greg Shock did an outstanding job coordinating this years' event. There was plenty of food and drink for all who attended. It was wonderful to see so many faces (old and new) at the field. The club picnic is, with the exception of Warbirds, the one time each year that we get to see the pilots' better half (or sponsor as some like to be called). The flight line was busy all day with 3-5 planes in the air at all times. Awesome!

Please remember to **renew your 2009 club membership early**. Don't wait till the last minute! Applications can be obtained via the website or club officer. All memberships should be mailed / returned **DIRECTLY** to Mark McQuaide (address listed on application) to ensure prompt processing.

Finally, a reminder that 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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Delaware RC Welcomes New Members:

David Marquis
Edwin McLain
Richard Michaud

Meeting Minutes

General Membership Meeting of the Delaware R/C Club was held on Tuesday September 2, 2008
President Vaughn LeSage called to order at 7:00PM.

Guest: Larry, Ed

Old Business:

- Club picnic on September 21, 2008
- Club auction and swap meet on November 8, 2008

New Business:

- Club auction and swap meet needs volunteers to help setup
- Adding new flight stations to the right side of the field
- Replacing the small grill

Treasure Report: Vaughn LeSage

Field Report: Dan Hosier

Working with the parks on trees

Safety Report: John Kirchstein

- Need to put AMA card in radio impound when using 2.4 radios
- JR 9303 transmitters have a safety report out about a wire chaffing under the aileron stick



Good Turnout

Greg



Another View



"The engine quit"

Meetings at the Cafeteria

We will be using the Cafeteria 2 meeting room for the rest of the school year, starting with the October meeting. Election Day conflict will have to be resolved for November.

Safety Talk

Strykers:

You knew I was going to bring up this topic again, didn't you?

The number of pilots taking part in this melee, and the possible introduction of some less-skilled flyers entering the dust-up makes it necessary for us to apply some extra precautions against the potential of wounding people or their aircraft (the ones on the ground—in the pits). Starting immediately, when combat is the goal, the pilots must go to the center of the field at the crossing of the two runways. Flight will be allowed only in front of the line facing the reeds and swamp. There are rumors of some events that may have banned this type of fun. We have to be careful not to cause injury or damage in order to continue.

Spread Spectrum

Since we don't need frequency control pins for the new Spread Spectrum radios, it has seemed futile to put an AMA card in the frequency rack and not have a pin on the transmitter. The frequency board will still be necessary for those who are not using the new technology, but I have purchase a large number of badges (like fishing or hunting license holders) that will serve the purpose of identifying the AMA and Membership status of anyone displaying on a hat, jacket or anyplace else that is visible to other members and the park rangers. They will be available at the meeting, and we'll find a way to get them to the rest of the potential users.

John Kirchstein, Safety Officer

Tree Planting

We have permission from the Park to plant several Silver Maple trees along the Heli flight-line and one to fill in on the fixed-wing line. These trees have been donated from a nursery being removed for a development.

Saturday, October 11 is scheduled for the planting. Please come out to help; we will start at 8:30 in the morning to try to get it done as early as possible . We hope to have power equipment to open the holes but will need hands and backs to set the trees and back fill them.

Dues are payable for 2009

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 <http://www.delawarerc.org/membershipform09.pdf> this is a "typewriter enabled" form, so you can download it and type in your information, then print and send it to Mark with your dues.



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Set Your Course for Upcoming Club Events		Additional Waypoints of Interest	
Tree Planting	October 11,2008	Octoberfest Vintage Fly-in	October 11,12, 2008
A Day in Delaware	October 26, 2008.		
Annual Club Auction	November 8, 2008		

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