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# Glitch Busters

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



## Next Club Meeting: August 5, 2008

- Location: Pavilion at Lums pond flying field
- Raffle: 50/50
- Program Topic: TBA

Next Club Event: Club Picnic- TBA

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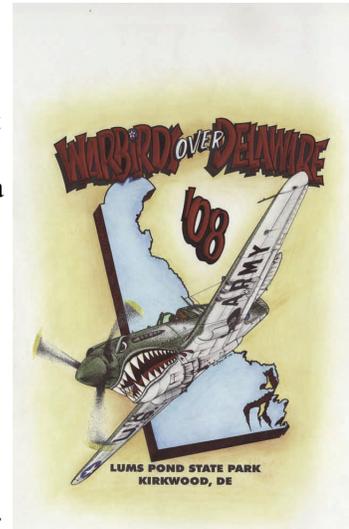
## The Prez Sez

The summer is screaming by and we are now into August!

While we still have lots of flying season left, all of the events besides the club picnic are now completed. I am pleased to share with you that all of the events this year were very successful, Warbirds already has had lots of great feedback.

This year at one point in time there were 1000 cars parked over at the campground which means the field was packed and the weather was great besides of down pour on Wed.

I would like to take a moment to thank all of those who made Warbirds possible, this year we had a lot of people come together once again to make things run as smoothly as possible. With Dick's help and a schedule for parking I didn't hear of any problems happening over at the parking area for a change. This event gets bigger every year and that means more help is needed to make it happen. I would also like to thank the weather gods for smiling on us once again.



I haven't been to the field many times in the last month, but issues generally still have a way of finding their way back to me



and I can tell you nothing has found me so far. This means things are running smoothly at the field and everyone is happy which is good to see.

Looks like this will be my shortest "Prez Says" yet, lastly I would like to thank Dave Skinner for rolling the fields a 2<sup>nd</sup> time this year for us.

Happy Flying!

**Delaware RC Welcomes New Member: Joseph Kristekas**

## Meeting Minutes

General Membership meeting of the Delaware R/C Club was held on Tuesday July 8, 2008.  
 President Jake Rudy called to order at 7:10 pm.

**Old business:**

Water the sod  
 IMAC report on the event

**Safety:** John Kirchstein

Keep to 5 planes in the air at one time  
 Keep the combat over the tall grass  
 Keep the speed to 15mpo on the drive in and out of the air field

**New business:**

The field was rolled  
 Training is going well  
 Mathew fixed the mower deck  
 War birds event  
 Treasurer report: Mark McQuaide



## Helis over Delaware '08

Helis over Delaware continues to be a great event. With 78 registered pilots and I lost count of how many spectators, but I have almost 30 little envelopes to turn in to the park. We had a pilot from Michigan showing up on Thursday and an almost steady stream of people all weekend coming out to enjoy the weather we were blessed with. Saturday the News Journal showed up with reporters and photographers. We ended up with a large article on page 2 in Sunday's Local section. I am getting nothing but good feedback from all who attended and hope we can continue to host this event long into the future.

I want to thank the club members who helped out all weekend with all the work that had to be done and to get the field cleaned up before the storm hit Sunday afternoon. And a special thanks to James, Dan, Karl, Manny, Steve and Vick who were so gracious with their time helping out. Also to the guys who ran some of the events, I thank you for helping to make this a great and successful weekend.

Dave Skinner

### International Miniature Aerobatic Club (IMAC)

By Mark McQuaide

I enjoy building and flying giant-scale models of aerobatic aircraft, and over the years I've flown models such as the Extra, Staudacher, Giles, and Edge. I always had an interest in IMAC Scale Aerobatics competition, and a couple years ago, Jake Ruddy asked me if I wanted to try it. There are now four of us in Delaware R/C competing regularly and loving it. Following is a little bit of info about IMAC Scale Aerobatics.

Full-scale aerobatic aircraft compete in the International Aerobatic Club (IAC). They fly pre-determined "sequences" of maneuvers, and are judged on how well the maneuvers are performed. In IMAC, miniature versions of these aircraft compete in the same way. Each "sequence" includes ten "figures" flown one after another. Judges score each figure on a scale of zero to ten, using standard point deductions for deviations. A computer program then computes the score for the sequence based on the difficulty factor of each maneuver. In a nutshell, IMAC is about the "beauty of lines and symmetry".

A "figure" can be something as simple as a loop. Now, a loop sounds like something easy to do, until you realize that it has to be perfectly round and symmetrical in a three dimensional space, and must be entered and exited in perfectly straight lines, at the same point in space. Now add in a nice brisk crosswind, and the pressure of being judged in competition, and you can see why there are very few "10s" awarded!

IMAC is addictive once you try it a few times, and the camaraderie in spending a weekend with fellow IMAC flyers all going through the same thing is just as enjoyable as the flying itself. Anyone can fly in the introductory ("Basic") IMAC class with any type of airplane capable of completing the maneuvers, even including a trainer. IMAC people are always very supportive of newbies entering the hobby - all it takes is the will to practice and learn.

So, if you want to try something new, we highly recommend trying IMAC. It will make you a much better flyer almost immediately (yes, that left stick does more than control the throttle!) and will make flying more interesting and challenging, especially if you're getting a bit bored with the same old routine.



Ken Veles receiving his first-place award as the 2008 Masters Champion/ RC Aerobatics at this years Nats

Here are IMAC contest results for Delaware R/C members so far this

East Coast IMAC opener:	"Butcherfest" IMAC:	Two Tonys IMAC	Lehigh Valley IMAC	Capitol IMAC:
Mark McQuaide - 1st place basic		Mark McQuaide - 3rd place basic	Mark McQuaide - 5th place basic	Mark McQuaide - 1st Place Basic
Robert Pleasanton - 3rd place basic		Robert Pleasanton - 2nd place basic	Robert Pleasanton - 2nd place Basic	Rob Pleasanton - 4th Sportsman
	Jake Ruddy - 4th place Sports-	Andrew McQuaide - 6th place basic	Jake Ruddy - 5th place Sportsman	
		Ken Warren - 7th place basic		Ken Warren - 3rd place Basic
		Henry Belfiore - 11th place Basic		

## Warbirds over Delaware '08

For the 16th year, the Delaware R/C Club hosted another successful Warbirds Over Delaware event which started (officially) on July 10th and ran through the July 13th. Pilots started to arrive at the flying field as early as Monday to set up their displays and their camp sites. Mother Nature provided spectacular weather for most of the event except for some stormy weather which blew through late Wednesday eve.

When all was finished there were 202 registered pilots for the event with over 360 scale

airplanes.

We've implemented several changes this year with very positive results. The two main changes were the installation of the storage tent which the pilots filled with their planes for overnight storage. One look inside the tent and you were immediately filled with awe.

Another change was the implementation of a larger spectator area which provided spectators with an unobstructed view of the flight line and the runway.



We had major support by many vendors and other supporters. These included: Horizon Hobbies/JR, Great Planes/Futaba, Airtronics/Hobby People, Carl Cantera, Frank Tiano Enterprises, ProMark, Bob Violett Models, Troy Built Models, SKS Video, Balsa USA, Precision Cut Kits, J&R Hobby Hardware, Air-Tees, Y-Not Color, Zeke's Park Scale Models, Global Aviation, and Peter's Beauty Salon.

We have received several very positive comments, both in person as well as emails, from

pilots, vendors, and spectators.

Big thanks to all of the volunteers who have contributed many hours working the event. Without you this event would not be possible.



Of course, big thanks go out to Pete and Dave Malchione who seem to just have everything under control no matter how hectic things got.

Once again, breakfast and lunch was served by the Boy Scouts Troop 30 and the Saturday

evening BBQ was served by members of the Delaware R/C Club.

It wasn't long after the event when the club email box started to receive inquiries regarding next year's event! And, yes, preparations for WOD '09 are already underway!

All Club members should be very proud to be a part of what many have called the best R/C Warbird event in the country.





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Set Your Course for Upcoming Club Events	
Club Picnic	?
Saturday, Nov. 3, 2007	Annual Club Auction

Additional Waypoints of Interest	
August 11-12,2007	SKSS Electric Aero Tow— PaperMill RD, Newark, DE
August 15,2007	Atlantic City Airshow <a href="http://www.atlanticcityairshow.com">http://www.atlanticcityairshow.com</a>

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