



Glitch Busters

January 2015



NEXT MEETING

January 6

7:00 PM

Newark Senior Center

AMA #197 / IMAA #687

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

We have no Prez Sez this month because our new Club President fell down a flight of stairs and got banged up quite a bit. He is going to be recuperating for quite some time. So don't expect to see him around the flying field for a while. We wish John a speedy recovery.

We just got back from the Freeze Fly. There was a good turn out despite the weather. The pilot line was crammed with vehicles and the main lot had a fair share as well. It was above freezing, but not by much. Club members seemed to spend a lot of time in the pavilion where the food and heaters were (who could blame them).

The weather forecast kept going up and down on the predicted winds. What we got was at times was every bit of 20 Mph from the west, absolutely perpendicular to the runway. A number of hearty souls flew everything from small foamies to 1/3 scale gassers. They did really well considering how the west wind tumbling over the trees made a lot of the landings look like Mr. Toads Wild Ride. Everyone who flew seemed to have a good time, although only a very few pilots went up for a second time.

The Freeze Fly is as much a social event as a flying event and members seemed to really enjoy chatting with friends, some of whom they don't get to see all that often. There was a whole lot of smiling, hand shaking, and well wishing going on. All in all, I think everyone who came had a pretty good time. We sure did.

Check out Scott's photos of the event.

I was asked today if I still wanted articles for the newsletter. My answer was a resounding YES! If you get/build a new model and think others would like to know about it, then write it up. We are always happy to publish submitted articles. If you don't feel comfortable authoring an article, let me know. Tell me what you want to share and I write the article for you if you like.

Speaking of articles, I've been considering doing some articles on electronics for RCers. Neat electronic gadgets you can make or buy that can make your RCing easier or just more fun. If this sounds of interest to you, please let me know. I don't want to write articles that are of little interest. If this sounds of interest, then say so. Send me an email, give me a call, or just tell me at the field. If I don't get much/any response, I'll just give it up as a bad idea. So please let me know if you're interested.

DECEMBER MEETING MINUTES

From the desk of the Delaware RC Club Secretary:

It is my intention to reinstate the club meeting minutes in the newsletter. The minutes will not be an extensive and detailed listing of all the discussions and activities. This is intended to list the majority of the discussion points and activities. I would encourage each of you to attend the club meeting to be part of the discussion and decision-making.

Minutes from the December 2014 Club meeting:

The meeting was called to order by John Kirchstein at 07:06 PM on Tuesday December 2, 2014.

New Members & Guests: There were no new members or guest in attendance.

Treasurers Report: Mark McQuade presented the treasurers report.

It was announced that there is an insurance claim submitted to AMA Insurance for the damages to the Warbirds over Delaware rented tent.

Membership Report: Loren Caudill presented the current membership report.

- Currently 36 renewals for 2015.
- Membership dues are due for 2015. Those that have not renewed their membership by 01-01-2015 will be removed from the current roster.

Safety Report was given by Bill Bouchard.

- Pilots: make sure you have a spotter with you when you fly, as stated in AMA and club rules.
- A discussion of FPV (first person view) flying. Refer to AMA safety codes for complete details.
- Batteries: Bill discussed how to condition your batteries, NiCad, NiMH, Lipo or Lithium. Proper storage techniques should be followed.
- Bill recommends "Tech Gloves" for flying during the cold months.

Bob Smith is still working on the Audit Report findings and recommendations.

Field Fall cleanup was a great success. Excellent turnout of volunteers made light work of all the activities. Thanks to all that attended.

Training Program: New Pilot training program is being revisited. We are looking for a club member to be the primary Intro Pilot AMA contact. If interested, please contact John Kirchstein.

Raffle: There were 3 raffle items this month.

- ✈ E-Flite UMX Radian
- ✈ Flyzone DHC-2 Beaver
- ✈ Blade Pico QX Quadcopter

Mark Weiss announce that Jay Marsh is the newly elected AMA District IV VP.

John Kirchstein presented an extensive report highlighting the AMA v.s. FAA position of model airplanes and commercial use of our aircrafts.

- ✈ FAA can impose a \$10,000 fine for commercial use.
- ✈ NTSB is on record stating that our models fit their definition of Aircraft. Potential fines for careless / reckless use of aircraft can be imposed.
- ✈ AMA request for us to write our elected officials was very successful. Congress has asked the AMA to stop the write-ins.
- ✈ John Kirchstein to post the link to the AMA discussions. About an hour long.

Show and Tell:

Bob Montgomery brought in a Tower Uproar with OS46.

Pylon Racing: “Foam 400” Pylon Racing

After a 20 plus year hiatus from Pylon Racing, the club is once again holding races. There were 9 racers at the November 2nd. inaugural event. The rules are simple. Use an all foam, no planking airframe. The Hobby King Fun Fighters are the preferred aircraft. Power is provided by the electric motor with a 4S battery. For additional information, contact Bill Netta. The final heat can be seen on Youtube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_280uKybZtA

Meeting was adjourned.

MORE FROM THE NOVEMBER SWAP MEET

We're always eager to include content from members in the newsletter. So when Dick Stewart sent us his great pics from the last Swap Meet, we knew we had to include them. Dick also provided us with some pics from the field shown later in the newsletter.





2015 FREEZE FLY

















PHOTOS FROM THE FIELD

Dick also provided us with some nice pics from the field, shown on this page. The rest of the pics from the field were taken by Scott, Roger and PJ.



















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