

July 2011

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Glitch Busters



Next meeting date
July 5th, 7:30 at the
Newark Senior Center.

Next club event:
Warbirds July 13-17

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Warbirds

Prez says

The field is in great shape, the tall grass is cut, we've got most of the fence posts driven for the safety fence, volunteers for parking-lot duty are set for Friday and Saturday; we're getting ready for the big party that is Warbirds over Delaware!

Pre registration of pilots is on par with previous years and vendor response is higher than ever.

Now if the weatherman cooperates, it'll be another great time.

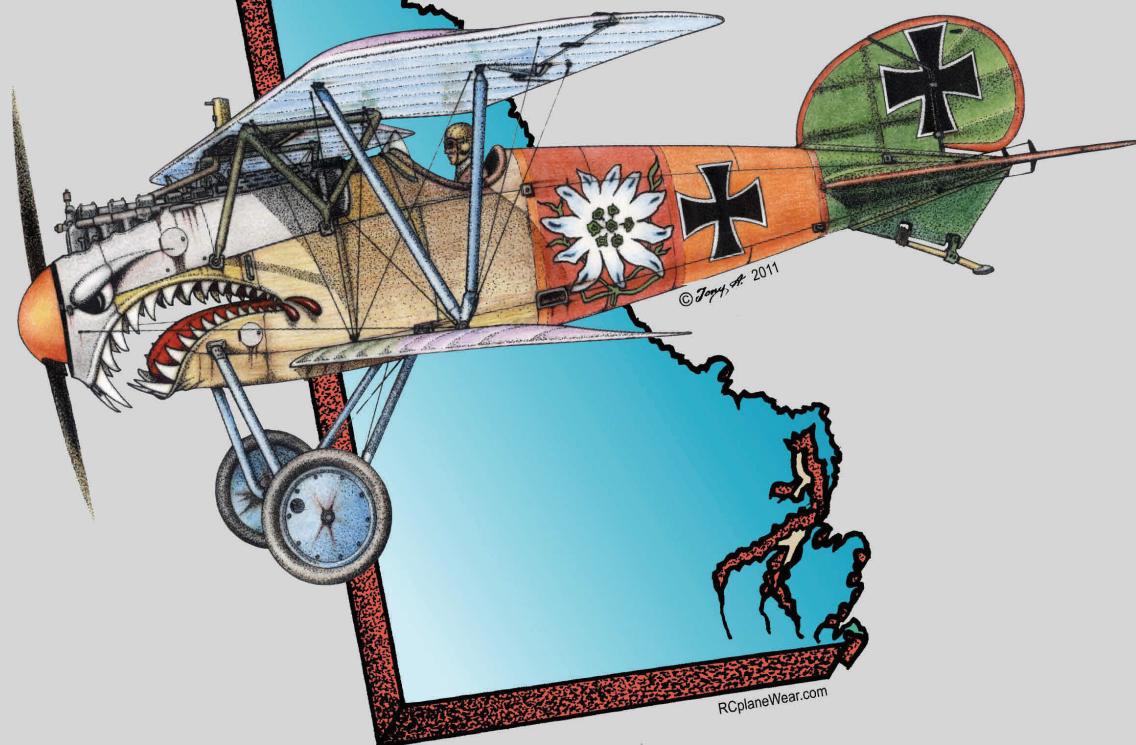
This weekend we should finish the setup; stringing the fence, erecting the scaffold and the shade tents. Come out and lend a hand; you can be a part of the biggest Warbirds show in the country.

On July 29-31, we play host to the fast-growing Helis over Delaware. Dave Skinner is CD for this event. See him to volunteer .

Warbirds are Coming

WARBIRDS OVER DELAWARE

20th
Anniversary
2011



LUMS POND STATE PARK
KIRKWOOD, DE

IMAC PICTURES



Do The Right Thing

Sometimes we are faced with decisions about what to do when we encounter unsafe or less than safe behavior. The struggle to scream out loud or bite your tongue ensues and you are forced to pick one. Do I shake my head and walk away or speak up and be a jack***. Well here is a story that may make you think. It is true and happens like this.

While walking in the Glasgow Park on Route 40., I see what looks to be a seagull diving at the people walking on the path. I am quite a distance away and see the bird several times before it disappears. Several minutes go by and the bird comes back. Only it is not a bird but a T28 Trojan. Finally, as I am a slow walker, I get to where the pilot is flying this plane from and observe him taking off from the parking lot (full of cars) and flying over the heads of the walkers just like you are supposed to do these things. My first reaction is to belt the person and step on their plane, but it has been a long walk and I am too tired for that. As I approach my car, I see the pilot is a young man. Thinking of things to say when I begin to notice how well he is flying during all his safety violations. Arriving at my car I witness him do a touch and go right behind me on a strip of pavement about ten feet wide with cars parked a right angles to the flight path. His approach and execution of this maneuver are perfect. Hell, I would not try that. I am impressed. The young man takes off and flies just over the heads of a family walking on the path, I am pissed. I open the car door and sit down. If I drive away and then see that someone was injured how would I feel? I start to swing my legs into the car and my gut tells me I am not doing the right thing, so I stop. Looking in my wallet for my AMA card, I take a deep breath and walk slowly over to the young man...

He is now a sponsored pilot and does flight demonstrations at events. Last year he flew at New Garden Air Show.. At the IMAC, he put on a great demo until motor problems forced him down. I think he tried to thank me at New Garden, but I talked him out of it, because all I had done is the right thing.



Stuff I like

Common Sense RC batteries

Cheap batteries are everywhere and they work well. I have always been looking for cheap batteries from reputable dealers. But when you can get a great battery for a great price you have really scored. To help me with this quest Common Sense RC has been kind enough to email a list of specials each weekend. Often the battery that I have been seeking is right there at half price with free shipping. Many times these batteries were less expensive. much better, in con- retention than the bar- for the weekly specials price.



teries are used along side batteries that They quickly show you that they are struction, internal resistance and voltage gain battery. So my advice is to sign up and get some great batteries at a great

Multiplex airplanes Multiplex has made awesome aircraft with electric power for as long as anybody. The cargotrans had four speed 400 motors and flew well with the boat anchor batteries of the time. My first multiplex was called the TEDDY. It was a pod and boom made of Styrofoam (before Elapor). It had a huge wing and a little speed 400 motor. I had trouble flying it at first. At full power the whole tail would dance around in the prop wash. At launch it would climb straight up and I would struggle to get it on plane. Finally I figured it out when my strap bumped the throttle down during launch. With almost no throttle, the Teddy climbed right out of my hand and was flying big wing didn't need all that really didn't need me fussing on knew how to fly. Once while let- sticks, It hit a tree and spun twice. anything it righted itself and flew At the SKSS field I landed it by lining up the runway cutting power and setting the controller on the ground.



two feet away. The power and the plane the controls. It ting a kid try the Before I could do away from the tree.



Now I am flying the Mentor and it is something special. In case you haven't noticed, people ask me to fly their planes. I get some stick time in on most trainers. The mentor is so far beyond most of those planes that words will fall short. It seems to know how to fly. You just tell it where to fly. If you are looking for a great flying sport plane that can be used as a trainer, camera plane, or glider tug please check out the Mentor

Things I like

Flying Demos If you are like me you often tell others of your model airplane flying.



But have you tried giving a flight demo? Flight demos are a powerful visual demonstration of our hobby. Schools are a great arena as STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) based education is very

popular. You did not know that your hobby was so far ahead of the curve that it is a desirable commodity . This year I flew demos at Family day at The DASEF outpost, field day at Pencader Charter High School and DASEF day academy at the University of Delaware. People are fascinated by flight. Do not underrate your skills. If you can fly the plane you are awesome to someone who cannot. Spend some time to be safe. Check out the area and walk around. Establish a flight path and stick to it. Put safety first and you will be able to succeed. I always get a great feeling after each demo even if I crash. Try it.



Old war birds images



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G Force Hobbies has moved

In Case you have been lining under a rock, G-Force hobbies has moved. You can get directions on the web. The new store is behind Accent music on Kirkwood Highway. Stop in buy some stuff and be happy.

