



# *Glitch Busters*

July 2012

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Warbirds Over Delaware**

July 11-15, 2012

**Helis Over Delaware**

July 27-29, 2012

**Auction & Swap Meet**

November 3, 2012



## **NEXT MEETING**

**July 10**

Lums Pond Flying Field

AMA #197 / IMAA #687

## **JULY MEETING - CHANGE IN DATE & LOCATION**

The July club meeting will take place on July 10th - the second Tuesday of the month, rather than the first, due to the 4th of July holiday. It will also take place in a new place - the flying field. The meeting starts at the usual time - 7:30 - so you'll probably want to bring bug repellent (you can thank Mike Ronig for that sage advice). A cold drink might be in order, too.

## **PREZ SEZ**

### **WARBIRDS**

We always can use more help in welcoming our guests to the big party. Come out to see the modelers and their works of art, but lend a hand to make them comfortable. We have the reputation as one of the great events in the country,

Please: On Friday and Saturday, don't park at the flying field unless you have an overwhelming need to. If you need to drop something off, do that and then park in the campground and take the bus. Parking space is very limited on those days.

The Saturday barbecue will be available for the pilots who have paid the landing fee. For all others, tickets will be needed and will be available at \$15.

### **GATE**

Please remember to lock the gate when you are the last to leave. With school out for the summer the field is a tempting place for mischief.

### **HEAT**

It looks like we are going for a record summer! Stay hydrated, wear light colored clothing and stay out of the sun as much as possible.

### **AUCTION**

Dick Stewart says get your table reservations early.

## **JUNE MEETING MINUTES**

The June Meeting of the Delaware RC Club was held on Tuesday, June 5th and called to order at 7:30PM by President John Kirchstein. The meeting was held at the Newark Senior Center. There were 19 members present with no visitors or new members

present.

For "Show and Tell," Jim Schlapfer brought his completed Waco that he had previously brought to an earlier meeting, in the bones. Jim finished the model and it looked terrific. It is powered by a ST 3000, and it is three colors: red, black and white. He covered the plane in Ultracoat and used Lowes paint for other areas of the plane. The Waco featured a luggage compartment where Jim placed the on/off switch and also sported a custom made exhaust. While the original plane was previously flown, Jim's remake has not yet been in the air.

Mark McQuaide gave the Treasurer's report that club cash was down due to the expected costs associated with the upcoming Warbirds event.

John reminded the group about safe flying and spoke about the AMA meeting held at the Joe Nall. Mark gave his final report about control line activities at the Nall and several club members applauded that his CL comments were completed! After all, it is an RC club, right?

The next meeting will be July 10th, not the usual first Tuesday. This is due to Warbirds prep and will be held at the field.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20PM with several members off to Tony's for pizza and dessert.

## FRONT GATE

The front gate to the flying field is constantly being left open. Recently someone drove a car over to the new shed after everyone left the flying field. The shed was not broken into, nor was it damaged, but it could have been. It only takes a couple of minutes to close and lock the gate. It does not have to be late in the evening. If you are the last one out of the field, please lock the gate.



## TIPPING OUR HATS TO MIKE RONIG



Our club has a number of members who work tirelessly for the benefit of us all, and get little or no thanks. From time-to-time I will take the opportunity to thank these people publicly.

I am starting this feature with someone who expends more physical labor for the Delaware R/C Club than anyone else I know: Mike Ronig. When there is work to be done, Mike is one of the first to offer to lend a hand. For WOD, he is the person organizing the parking and

gate duty at both fields. No small job. What most of us see Mike doing is spending countless hours driving the club tractor trying to make the flying field smooth, and all that grass between the field and the far trees short enough we can find our planes when we make an “off field” landing.

Contrary to popular belief, our club dues do not pay Mike to do this work. He is a volunteer. He does it because he cares. It is an unfortunate fact that Mike can not mow, nor roll the field after dark. He has to do it during the day, when we want to fly (that is to say between dawn and dusk). That is the rub. Even though he tries to do his thing when it is too windy to fly, it doesn't always blow when something needs to be done. On those days Mike usually gets grief, not thanks, when he sets about to improve our field. We at times forget that Mike too would rather be flying than spend hours driving the tractor in the hot sun. He does it because it has to be done, and no one else is stepping up to help. So the next time you see Mike, take the time to say thanks for all the hard work that he puts in for us all, and try not to complain if he has to work when you want to fly. Just remember, he wants to fly too.





# LUMS POND IMAC CHALLENGE 2012



by Mark McQuaide

This was the 5th annual Lums Pond IMAC Challenge, and I've been CDing since the start. There were 20 pilots competing in Basic, Sportsman, Advanced, and Freestyle classes. Pilots came from as far away as Connecticut, and were as young as 10 years old. They arrived on Friday for practice, flew all day Saturday, and were finished up by mid-afternoon Sunday. Several brought RVs or camping gear and camped at the field.

Greg Schock served up great lunches on both days, and people say we have a reputation for having some of the best food on the IMAC circuit.

Horizon Hobby donated several planes and accessories, and RTL Fasteners and Smart Fly also contributed prizes.







## **CONTEST RESULTS:**

### **BASIC:**

1st Place: Jim Fino

2nd Place: Gary Valenzuela

3rd Place: Richard Dore

### **SPORTSMAN:**

1st Place: Earle Andrews

2nd Place: Erik Haakonsen

3rd Place: Dave Malchione Jr.

### **ADVANCED:**

1st Place: Chris Thorp

### **FREESTYLE WINNER:**

Dave Malchione Jr.

### **ABOUT IMAC:**

The International Miniature Aerobatic Club (IMAC) is an organization dedicated to competitive sport of radio controlled Scale Aerobatic competition. IMAC operates under the auspices of the USA's Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) with a designation as the Special Interest Group (SIG) for R/C Scale Aerobatics. While it's origin is American, the scope of IMAC operations now extends to over 15 countries throughout the world and continues to grow daily.





# WARBIRDS OVER DELAWARE IS COMING



It's almost time for Warbirds Over Delaware, the Delaware R/C Club's biggest event. A handful of people have been working hard for months getting everything ready. A lot of members have agreed to help out at the event, but it is never enough. The result is that some members work long hard hours for days, while a large portion of the club do nothing. If you plan to attend the event, please lend a hand. There is always something that needs doing, or someone who could use a break to get some shade and cool water. So please offer to help. Just ask someone who is working if you can help them, or find Mike Ronig, Greg Schock, Pete, or Dave Malchione. They will know of something that needs doing. Together we can make this the best WOD ever.

Club members attending WOD, who are not working the event, must park at the campground parking lot. Parking at the field is limited to Pilots & Crew, vendors, and club members who are actively working the event. Space at the field is limited, so please help and park at the campground.





# PHOTOS





























# **AUCTION & SWAP MEET**

**Saturday**

**November 3, 2012**

**Shue Middle School**

**1500 Capitol Trail (Kirkwood Highway)**

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**DELAWARE R/C CLUB**

**Doors open to Public @ 9:00am**

**Auction starts @ 11:00 am sharp! New this year- Bid Cards \$1.00**

**Please use pre-registration forms to save time**

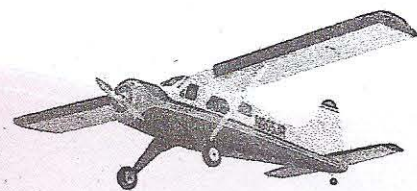
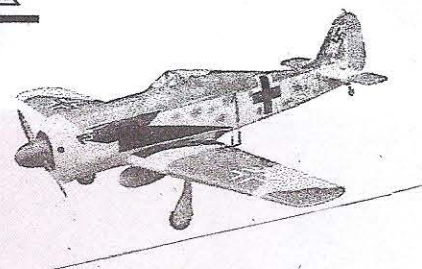
**Tables \$ 15.00 ea. Confirm reservation by Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Food available- hot dogs, coffee, sodas, snacks**

**Raffle Prizes & 50/50**

**For more info call Dick Stewart on (302) 368-5171**

**Forms, map, etc. on web site: [www.delawarerc.org](http://www.delawarerc.org)**





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