

Glitch Busters August 2016



NATIONAL MODEL AVIATION DAY August 13

NEXT MEETING August 2 at 7:00 PM at the Flying Field

AMA #197

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

August 13 is National Model Aviation Day. The Delaware R/C club will be celebrating it by combining it with the annual club picnic. The multi-rotor guys will be doing demo quad racing. In years past we had fun events such as spot landing and bomb drop competitions. This year would be a good time to bring back the tradition. We also plan to have a balloon busting competition. If we get a lot of kids, maybe we can have a candy drop. This is a great time to bring out your new airplane and show it off. Any way it goes, be sure to come early and bring the family.

NEWS FROM BOB SMITH

Larry Willoughby and Dick Stewart each donated a gallon of nitro fuel for the program. Many thanks as we are going through fuel with the students learning to fly. I have used 3 gallons of my own stock so I will be asking the club for a case of fuel soon. No youngsters in the program but always seeking to find the young people to learn our hobby.

Ben Campanella's donated Kadet Senior is seeing a lot of flying time on the buddy box. I installed ailerons to make it easier to fly for the students and it is an excellent trainer that instills a lot of confidence in new flyers almost immediately. Bob Breterneitz donated a high wing trainer complete with engine and radio. Needs a little attention to get it into service but working on that as of this writing. Thank you Bob for advancing the training program.

On a different note, I attended the HOD event Saturday evening and saw some very impressive helicopter flying while meeting a group of flyers from West Chester, New York. Lots of birds in the air and some breathtaking maneuvers, some even setting their running machines upside down on the turf and then ascending again. Unbelievable. I stayed for the night flying portion of the event and the helicopters with the LED lights on them flying in the dark was something to see.

Larry Willoughby and his group of small drone flyers moving around at 60 mph on a course that involved tight turns around flags, flying through low gates, over high gates all in two minutes of running time with the winner making the most laps. These drones are small in size and move in the blink of an eye.

My first time attending HOD. It was a great time, met a lot of new people and saw flying that I have to admit is too fast for me. Great time and thanks HOD for a very nice event.



Warbirds Over Delaware had an auspicious start when a rainbow appeared in the high cirrus clouds on the first day around noon. Forecast thunderstorms may have reduced pilot attendance a bit, but turnout was pretty good nonetheless. We had great flying weather on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, and the pilots flew nonstop. When they were not flying the pilots enjoyed each other's company, swapped stories, exchanged tips, and watched others fly.



Saturday morning looked like it was going to be a bust. It started with a low overcast and haze. I thought for sure no one would want to fly, but when we arrived at 8:30, planes were already in the air. Everyone came to have a good time, and they were going to enjoy themselves no matter what.

The poor weather in the morning and threatened afternoon thunder storms did impact spectator turnout, but the weather cleared, and those who came were treated to a great show. The WWI Gaggle and the WWII Scramble are always big hits. It is such a thrill to witness a sky full of airplanes. The sight and the sound is amazing. With the jets flying in formation, the huge C-46 flying with Corsairs, Dave Malchione Jr flying his jet to music in tribute to departed club members, it is all quite stirring.

Roger Spoor made it to WOD for the last 12 years. In April Roger was diagnosed with terminal cancer. Doctors only gave him 6 weeks to live. He told his wife what he wanted more than anything was to fly at WOD one last time. Roger hung in there, and his wife, Jill, and friends at the Tidewater R/C club got Roger and his planes to WOD. The plan was for Roger to fly with a buddy box, but he was too weak, so his friends flew his planes for him. On Friday a canopy was setup for Roger so he could watch the show from the flight line. The smile never left his face. Roger planned to stay for the whole event, but got worse on Friday night and had to return home early. At about 9 o'clock Saturday morning Dave Malchione called everyone together by the pavilion. Dave introduced Roger to the crowd and presented him with a trophy, and a WOD bandana made just for him. Dave said that Roger was what Warbirds Over Delaware was all about. It was a very bitter sweet moment. On Wednesday morning we got the word that Roger passed away. He got his last wish and we got one last opportunity to be with a very special person.



By Saturday afternoon I was hot and tired. My arms and back ached, and I couldn't help but wonder why we put ourselves through this every year. Not long after that I saw a young boy with the greatest smile holding hands with his grandfather. I went over to get a photo of the pair, and as planes flew past the young boy would exclaim "Look Pop-pop, look!". My back still hurt, but I had my answer. This young boy and Roger Spoor, they are the reason why we do this every year.























































The NJ Pine Barons RC Club proudly present our



August 19th, 20th, & 21st - 2016

Rain dates Aug. 26-28, 2016

Registration 8:00 AM, Flying from 10:00 AM until dark

All sizes and types of Military RC Aircraft are invited to participate in this event at our field. <u>AMA is required</u> and will be checked at sign in. Gas, glow, and electric aircraft are welcome. No gas turbines jets please!

Important Details:

Flying Field: Located at 224 Landing St., Southhampton Township, NJ 08088,

www.NJPinebarons.com

Landing Fee: * \$10 per day or \$20 for all three days. Non flyers and guests no charge

Registered Pilots will get one free meal ticket

Camping: * Primitive camping is \$15 flat fee. No hookups or campfires!

Food: * Food and beverages will be available on site. Alcohol is not permitted.

Entertainment: Mid-day show on Saturday around 1:00 pm

Schedule: Friday open flying. Saturday and Sunday, military aircraft only.

* All proceeds benefit the Jack Allen Early Country Living Museum

Full scale rides in an open cockpit Stearman Biplane may be available.

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