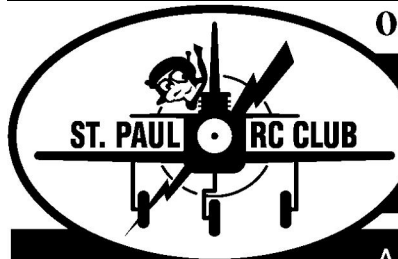


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Upcoming Meetings and Events

The next meeting will be at the SPMRC Flying Field on Wednesday, June 11, 2008 at 7:00 pm.

Scale Fly In at SPRC Field - June 14.

Fun Scale Contest at Anoka County R/C - July 12.

From the President

By Ed Ryan

Hello everyone and welcome to June.

Man, the time flies by, between the weather and my schedule it's been a little difficult to get a good amount of flying in. It sounds like the heli fly was a hit and had a good turnout. This month on the 14th we have our scale fly, bring something that looks scale and fly it. Beware of the bear! We have photo evidence of a bear roaming in the vicinity of our field, so take caution if you wander into the woods looking for a lost plane.

See you at the meeting that will be held at the field on Wednesday the 11th.

From the Vice President

By Steve Scott

It appears we are headed for a disappointing summer. The weather has been anything but "spring-like"-- or perhaps too spring-like, the price of gas may actually cut down some of those frequent trips to the flying field and now the flow of our "toys" from Asian manufacturers may significantly come to a crawl. Word has it that the recent earthquake in China in addition to a deliberate cessation of some manufacturing processes to "clear the foul air" prior to the Olympics will soon be felt. Already nitromethane is said to be in critically short supply.

I've noted some pretty slim pickings of blends - especially in the higher nitro contents. I probably have enough of a stockpile to get me through the summer but...The flow of ARFs may soon uh, (rhymes with *arf). LiPos, gyros, chargers, balancers, SuperTigres, speed controllers, Futabas...well, you get the picture.

I was planning on attending both Sig Manufacturing functions this month. Their RC Fly-in is the weekend of 7th and 8th and the CL Contest is the weekend of the 21st and 22nd. I've been to the previous 2 CL contests and was looking forward to taking a sizable fleet of Sig RC aircraft to the RC Fly-in but work commitments have taken their toll on my free time for building. My Sig fleet consists of an LT-40, a 4*60 ARF, a Somethin' Extra kit and Fazer kit. Well, perhaps next year.

Contests/Events

By Paul Rono

Greetings Members!

Sorry about last month's lack of an article somehow it got lost in cyberspace! There's lots going on all over the metro for events! I just held the annual SPRC Heli Fly on May 24th. Even with the gale force winds of 20-30mph, I had 20 registered pilots and several spectators. I grilled up 40 cheeseburgers and a good time was had by all. Our next club event will be the Scale Fly on June 14th, this is a very, very, very standoff Scale Fly so if you have something remotely close to scale bring it out to fly! No, this is NOT a contest STAN!!!! After that is the Frankfurter Fly in July. There is just too much going on to go into detail so I will just post the currently updated list of events.

Your Events Co-ordinator

Paul

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Upcoming Events-

June 7	Grassfield Heli Fly
June 7-8	Bismarck Aircraft Modelers Island Hoppers Heli Fly
(canceled)	ACRC Pattern Contest-10am-CD Brian Dorff
June 7-8	Wisconsin Rapids E-Fly
June 14	SPRC Scale Fly -10am-?pm(Not a contest, Stan!)
June 20-22	MARCEE 3M E-fly
June 21	Marion RC Flyers Fun Fly (Rain Date 22nd)
June 21	N.Dakota Skids Up Heli Fly
June 21	ACRC Funfly-10am start
June 28	ACRC Warbird Fly-10am
June 28-29	Bismarck Aircraft Modelers(BAM) Float Fly
June 28-29	North Country Model Controllers Collective Madness (NCMCRC.com)
June 28-29	TCRC Electric Fly & Camp-Out
July 12	ACRC Funscale Contest
July 12	TCRC Big Bird Invitational Fly-In
July 19-20	Tri-Valley IMAC Classic-CD Jason Dumke
July 19	SPRC Frankfurter Fly-10am-?pm
July 19	ACRC Funfly-10am start
July 23	ACRC Float Fly
Aug 2	ACRC Scalemasters
Aug 2	SPRC E-fly-(Rain Date)
Aug 8-10	Owatonna Warbird Fly-In
Aug 14-17	Rushford Jet Fly @ Rushford Airport-CD Dave Dennison
Aug 16	Weiner Wringout - 10am-?
Aug 23	ACRC Funfly-10am start
Aug 23	Grassfield Big Bird Fly-In
Aug 22-24	Rotary Ring Out Heli-fly - Marion R/C Club
Sept 5-7	Bismarck Aircraft Modelers(BAM) Open Fun Fly
Sept 6	ACRC E-fly
Sept 13	SPRC Septemberfest -10am-?
Sept 13	TCRC Fall Float Fly-Bush Lake
Sept 13	Marion RC Flyers Fun Fly (Rain Date 14th)
Sept 20	ACRC Funfly-10am start
Oct 4	ACRC Fall Fly Out-10am
Oct 11	SPRC Chili-fly-10am-?
Oct 18	ACRC Funfly-10am start
Nov 28	SPRC Turkey Fly-10am-?

by Stan Zdon

FREQUENCY CONTROL PROCEDURES

1.) You may not have your transmitter unless your membership card is clipped over the correct number on the frequency board. Guests* must clip their current AMA membership card to the board. If more than one person is using the same frequency, it must be shared in a fair manner (typically a 15 minute maximum usage per person). When you are finished with your transmitter, place it in the impound rack and remove your membership card from your frequency number. Either take it with you or clip it in the waiting area of the frequency board if you plan to fly again. Only AMA and FCC authorized frequencies are allowed at the field.

2.) An individual member may never remove someone else's card from the board. Ask the owner to do it. If it becomes obvious that the owner is no longer present at the field, TWO members may remove it and place it elsewhere for later retrieval.

3.) Only official club Membership Cards (or A.M.A. card for guests) will be used on the frequency board. No other items (such as credit cards, business cards, pieces of paper, driver's licenses, etc.) may be substituted.

*Note - Guests may fly once at the field before joining the club. This does not limit guests to only one flight. It refers to spending one day at the field.

OTHER MEMBERSHIP NEWS

SPRC will be having a Scale Fly In on June 14. Anoka County R/C will be having a Fun Scale contest July 12 and the Scalemasters on August 2. Get your airplanes ready and get out and practice. If you have any questions about the ACRC events, call Stan Zdon at (763) 784-3121.

In April the short version of the rules were published in the Pulse as a reminder of what is expected when you are flying. Although we all have a Senior Moment at

times and screw up, there should be no members that consistently fly in an unsafe manner. There have not been any problems so far this year and if all members focus on safety while at the field 2008 is going to be another safe year.

The next meeting will be **AT THE FIELD** on June 11 at 7:00 PM. Get there early and get in some flying. Long-range forecasts say it is going to be an excellent day with little or no wind.

From the Secretary

By Dan McArdell

Meeting Minutes from May 14, 2008

The meeting was held at the EAA building and called to order at 7:09 p.m.

Members Present: 16, New Members: 0, Visitors: 0

Board Reports

Vice President: Nothing of importance to report this month.

Safety: No issues.

Field Maintenance: A few members came out last weekend and cleaned up. The tires on the mower need to be re-tubed.

Membership: We picked up a few more members last month. We have close to 100 now.

Events: Paul Rono went over the events for the summer. Check the web site or his column in the Pulse for more information on upcoming events.

Treasurer: We have rent due in June (\$2400) and some membership money has come in.

Old Business

No old business

New Business

Kevin Barko made a suggestion that we open up the flight line to both sides of the field. In other words, still keep 5 stations but spread them out. Stan Zdon was concerned about people being up to 200 feet apart and

not being able to communicate. Ed Ryan said it would be discussed further at an upcoming board meeting.

Show and Tell

Doug Lewis: Built a 3D Hobbyshop Extra. It's light and flies great. It uses a 3S 2200 lipo pack and the servos are HS-65's. The wing is a two-piece plug in. It has a 47" wingspan. The cost is around \$150.

Mike Flanders: Showed a SD models yak with 87" wingspan. It weighs about 16.5 lbs. He read about it at FlyingGiants.com. He plans to use a Pitts exhaust. The SD's are known to be tanks, so he will try to lighten it up. He'll use a 60cc Brillelli motor which is made by a local manufacturer based out of Avon MN.

Chuck Nelson: Showed his Great Planes Fundango kit. He said it flies just like the model in his simulator.

Ed Ryan: Showed his Sig Sukhoi. It flies beautifully. The canopy is clear. It came with aluminum landing gear, but he switched to carbon gear to cut down on weight. He's using a Spektrum DSM2 dual receiver. He's using a 1500 mAH 2 cell lipoly for the radio system. He's flown it 3 times so far. It came out to be about 14 lbs. The propeller is wooden and made by Xoar.

Steve Scott: Showed a video he took about 18 years ago from a fast combat control-line flying event.

Raffle

- 1st place: Chuck Nelson, Slowpoke kit
- 2nd place: Ted Sander, Wildcat fuel
- 3rd place: Steve Scott, Permagrit
- 4th place: Chuck Nelson, Monokote
- 5th place: Gary Godfrey, Tailwheel bracket
- 6th place: Ted Sander, Engine mount



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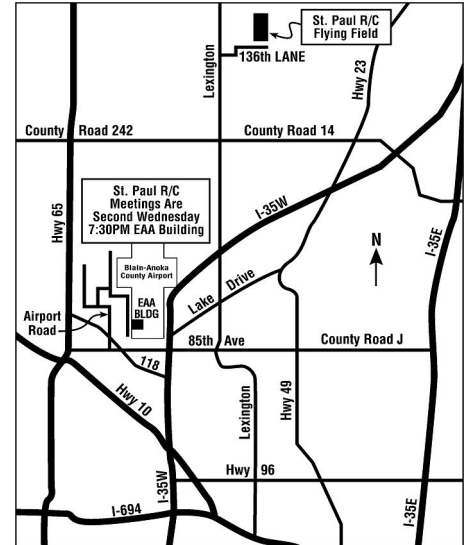
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