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Coming Events	
Thursday, February 28 th , 8:00 p.m., 2008	Club Meeting and Builders' Night
March 8 th	Lebanon, PA Flea Market
March 15 th	Burlington Flea Market
Thursday, March 27 th .	Club Meeting
April 4 th to 6 th	Weak Signals (Toledo show)
April 24 th	Club Meeting, Beauty Pageant

Work in Progress Night

Our now annual "work in progress night" will be held at this month's meeting. So let's see what your winter project is and how far you have gotten.

The rules are simple. The plane (or heli) must be bare bones but doesn't have to be complete. If you have just the left wing framed, bring that. We will judge the model for construction and presentation.

The project needs to be one of the following categories; scratch or plans built, or kit. Foam wings are permitted, but not "foamies". Neither are ARC's.

Judges will be selected from those present without projects. And there will be prizes awarded.

The prizes will be as follows;

1st place \$25

2nd place \$15

3rd place \$10

Paper Airplane World Record Try

Milt sent the following note the other day.

"I heard about this boy at the VFW meeting today. Can we get members of the flying club to send him some paper planes to help him reach his goal?"

Milt"

Well, I forwarded the request on to the club members and Alex Szemere sent it on to the AMA District II V.P. Gary Fitch. Gary posted it on the district web site and forwarded an email to all on his mailing list.

As part of the meeting I am suggesting that we assemble more paper airplanes as a club project. I am planning on bringing two reams of paper and a scissor or two. I do not have safety scissors so we will have to be careful or someone will need to bring bandages.

Any type of paper airplane is acceptable. It can be simple or complex. I personally like the "swallow." And if you do not have a favorite paper plane go to one of the web sites listed below and pick one.

<http://www.easy-paper-airplanes.com/>
<http://www.paperairplanes.co.uk/planes.php>

At our meeting Thursday night I will collect any planes you have constructed and send them on to Hunter. I hope to have enough planes to fill up a large box. I even have a few people where I work making planes.

Here is the story web site and the story.

http://www.wgrz.com/news/news_article.aspx?storyid=55348

Five-Year-Old Cancer Patient Trying for World Record

Posted by: [Addie Bradshaw](#), News Reporter
Created: 2/13/2008 11:55:17 AM
Updated: 2/15/2008 10:39:22 PM

A five-year-old Freedom boy is attempting to get into the Guinness Book of World Records for collecting the largest number of paper airplanes.

Hunter Winship began his quest several weeks ago as a patient at Buffalo's Women's and Children's Hospital. He has spent the past month there during his fight against Burkitt's Lymphoma, a rare form of cancer characterized by rapidly growing tumors.

"We've told him he has cancer and they're going to make his tummy aches go away and that he's going to lose his hair," said Hunter's mother, Cheryl Winship.

Cheryl said it is hard for Hunter to understand his illness, and that she and his aunt decided he needed a distraction from the seemingly endless hospital stays and tests.

That's when they came up with the idea of breaking a world record. They discovered that there were already records for the largest paper airplane, the smallest paper airplane, and the longest paper airplane flight. There was not, however, a record for the most number of paper airplanes received.

"We originally started this as a way to help out Hunter

and we never dreamed this would help out the whole family," Cheryl said.



Now home from the hospital, Hunter has an incentive for pushing through his cancer fight. While Cheryl said Hunter's medical prognosis is good, it's the airplane project that's really lifting his spirits. He's received planes from around the world and right here in Western New York.

"It's taken over everything!" Cheryl said. "I think we're going to have to build an addition."

Hunter's nine-year-old sister, Brooke, said the nationwide support has encouraged not only her brother but her family.

"I hope we reach the goal so we can get in the Guinness Book of World Records and he can like reach lots of goals and like, I don't know, be famous," Brooke said.

So far, the family believes they've collected around 200,000 planes. They'll continue doing so until March 17th. If you'd like to help Hunter set a world record, you can mail a paper airplane to:

Hunter Winship
The Airplane Cancer Goal
11227 North Hill Road
Freedom, New York 14065

Dues

Dues are due. The last day to pay is at the March 27th club meeting. Dues are still \$25.00. Please pay by check and make the check payable to "Tri County RC Club."

You may hand the coupon and check to our treasurer, Bill Binder, and show him your 2008 A.M.A. membership card or mail the coupon and check to Bill. Be sure to include a copy of your 2008 A.M.A. membership card in the envelope.

Bill's address is:
Bill Binder
5 Morsell Place
Old Bridge, NJ 08857

Elsewhere in the newsletter is a coupon to be filled out and attached to your check.

The Prez Presents by Art Goldstein

Last year being my first time as President of Tri County and a member of the Executive Committee (EC) our goal was to get through the year; we achieved that expectation. The EC thanks the membership for their support and loyalty for seeing us thru our first year. This year I think we can move the club to the next level. The EC had a discussion as to what events could be planned for this year. Mike has put together a proposed list of events for the year. Your EC NEEDS CLUB MEMBER INVOLVEMENT. Together this can be a great year for Tri County. I recognize that each member of the club has other responsibilities. All the EC and I are asking for is that each member of the club volunteers where he/she can. I have included Mike's ideas for this year. I will be working with Mike on the July club fun fly.

"Below is our proposed schedule, which hopefully can work as a template for the upcoming years and can be adjusted as interest and finances allow. We will bring this up at the January meeting for discussion, suggestions, and volunteers. Here's what we have so far:

Jan 31 - regular meeting
Feb 28 - Builders Night show at the meeting
Mar 29 - Mall Show
April 24 Beauty Pageant at the meeting
May - Building classes
June 8th - Club Picnic
July 5th - Club Fun Fly
Aug ?
Sept 7th - 2nd annual Open House
Oct ?
Nov 9th - Turkey Fly fun fly
Dec 6th - Holiday Dinner

All of the above are up for discussion and adjustment to suit other events, but we need to put them out there to get the ball rolling. At the February meeting we will again bring up the proposed budget for '08. Refer to January's newsletter for the proposed budget. There are no big changes proposed, but we need discussion and a majority vote to proceed."

At the January meeting Norm Berger asked that the members submit articles for the club newsletter and web site about projects they are working on.

Art

Drawings

The "50-50" was split three ways with Bill Zydycryn, Colleen Murray, and Victor Masserri.

Bill Binder won the gallon of fuel.

Prospective Members

At the January meeting we were introduced to two prospective members, William Fesio and Emery Merich.

District II Fun Fly Date Set

District II V.P. **Gary M. Fitch** suggests that you mark your calendars and plan on attending the 2008 District II Fun Fly this July 19th and 20th featuring C/L, R/C and Rocketry. This year's event will be sponsored by the Somerset Signal Senders of Somerset, NJ. Details will be forthcoming. The field is located in the North Branch Park in Bridgewater, NJ on Milltown Road. The SSS web site is www.somersetsignalsenders.org

Field Level Observations: by Norman Berger



Due to the lousy weather this past month I got out to fly once for a few hours. My personal “rules” are I need 50 degrees and low level wind less than 10 mph to make my decision. While my decision making is not hard and fast, it is a good starting point for me as I don’t fare well in cold weather!

The new web access we have on our site (courtesy of Alex Szemere’s input by way of an email from Tim Mihalski, Editor, First State RC Club and forwarded by John D. to our instructors.) is pretty detailed aviation weather. If you have not yet checked, it out I would suggest you do, as I think you will find it quite useful. I do suggest, however, that you click for current local conditions as well, since often the forecast can be a bit stale. The bottom line is that the information is useful and better than just the local forecast.

I did get some input from Alex and John Donnelly for the web site and I ask **you** again to please submit some input so I can keep the site fresh for the club!

This month we have the annual builders’ night where we expect you to bring your in process works for all to marvel at. We had a decent showing last year, but it sure would be nice if we could get a BIG turnout of members to bring something they are building. This hobby is more than prebuilt ARF’s, and the real joy comes from building a kit or scratch built plane. If you have not ever done it, maybe you should think about getting started even if only for next year.

The next few weeks brings some interesting mid off season activity in the WRAMS show followed by Lebanon Flea Market and then Toledo. Of course, I plan on doing them all, as usual. I have an intrepid bunch of cronies, and we almost have an annual ritual between WRAMS and Lebanon, albeit I generally do Toledo solo.

I sure hope these shows get strong showings this year!

Last month I told you that I recently sold a lot of ‘stuff.’ Most of it was either older kits I had acquired many years ago that I lost interest in, but have become quite valuable to others, and the rest of it was a lot of small electric aircraft I lost interest in. I am at a point where I like bigger, and my airplanes need to belch real smoke and oil to keep me happy.

At the same time I have a number of used built up airplanes I am looking to get rid of. They are all quite flyable. I have had a good time with them and would like them to find good homes amongst those of you that will make use of them. If you have any interest in these planes please let me know, and I tell you now that no reasonable offer will be refused. I am posting these planes on the “For Sale” section of the website by the time you read this. (I checked, they are there, and reasonable too. Ed) If you want any of these please let me know. (n_d_b@compuserve.com)

My plans this year are to begin attending local fly in activities during the season. This will give us an excuse to leave town some weekends for an RC experience. I went to a few last year, mostly as an observer (but not always), and this year I plan to actively participate in several nearby events because it looks like a lot of fun!

In my shop I am involved with a few projects. Several of my projects need to be painted (some old projects and some long standing projects.) I looked at the market place and decided on using the STITS covering from F&M (<http://www.stits.com>) along with their POLY finishing system.

The STITS covering is a model builder’s version of the real thing. It is a polyester cloth applied to the airframe and then finished with a dope like substance.

It goes like this:

Fabric is applied much like silk or nylon of old; however, this is a dry procedure aided by POLY TACK liquid to adhere the fabric. A fabric to

fabric bond is highly recommended; i.e. overlapping seams.
The fabric is then tightened by applying heat from an iron at under 350 degrees.

You then apply two coats of POLY BRUSH, which is a dope like liquid (MEK based) which can be brushed or sprayed.

You may then apply finishing tapes over ribs and edges if you want, and the Stits instructions even give you a way to simulate stitches on the ribs if you are up to it.

Then you apply POLY SPRAY, which is a silver coating, to make the fabric opaque (it can be brushed).

Last, you apply Poly Color, and you get to choose from over 160 shades!

They offer a very detailed DVD How To, which is quite informative.

Those of you, who like me, grew up with silk and dope (before MONOKOTE) will find all this quite easy to understand. Those of you who don't know what I'm talking about can keep buying your ARF's and might never enjoy this phase of the hobby, unless you are up to it.

The difference between a MONKOTE finish and a real paint finish can be something to behold. Yes, there are true expert MONOKOTE addicts out there, but done right, paint will knock your socks off every time.

I am working on a few projects I hope will meet my expectations – if not, look for a few more sale items soon!

Regards/Norm

Model of the month



John English brought in his latest Gee Bee Racer. This one is from a Paige Kit. Construction is fiberglass and wood. The finish is red and white Imron paint. The ten pound plane has a 58 inch

wing span and is powered by a OS 91 4 cycle motor and controlled by a JR 8103 radio.



John Donnelly had a Rabid Models P-61 Black Widow. The 28 inch foam profile is powered by two 50 watt brushless motors and a 4 channel Berg Receiver. The finish is Krylon spray latex black paint.



Francisco Rodriguez was justifiably proud of his Great Planes Big Stik ARF. Francisco opted for a tail dragger setup along with using a Spectrum radio system. An OS 46 supplies the power.



The winner of the January M.O.M. and the gallon of fuel is Bob Mackey. Bob brought in his plans built Bill Evans Senior Slow Motion. Problem is he forgot the tail. Actually, the designer, Bill Evans, didn't like tails. So Bill designed all his planes with a special airfoil and left off the stabilizers. Bob was able to talk to Bill and get a

set of foam cores. Not bad for an approximately 20 year old design. The plane weights 6 pounds and has a 67 inch span. Power is supplied by a K&B 61 and a 12x6 prop. A JR radio supplies the control link.

Club Library

Alex Szemere is our newest librarian. If you are interested in a book, booklet, or video, see Alex. For a listing of what is available, check our web site. To contact Alex try 732.816.1810 or tcrcy2k@aol.com

Jackson Hobby Shop

Last month I mentioned that some Futaba FASST systems may have been programmed wrong. Well, if you own one of these systems you can now take it to Jackson Hobby Shop to have it tested. So, if you are not sure if the radio you have purchased has the problem you can bring your system to them. You will need to bring in the transmitter and receiver with batteries charged for the testing to be performed. All new radios that were shipped on or after 1/14/08 were tested and passed by Futaba.

Jackson Hobby Shop
2275 W. County Line RD. Bennetts Mills Plaza
Jackson NJ. 08527
732-364-3334

Call first to make sure Frank is in.

For Sale

Contact Alex at 732.816.1810 or tcrcy2k@aol.com
Micro electric helicopter, Megatech Horsefly - RTF
Complete - \$200.00
Fly Indoor or Outdoor with minimum wind condition. Will
demo at the meeting.
Check RC Universe review: [Horsefly Review](#)



Hangar 9 F-22 Raptor PTS Complete with JR Computer Radio, everything installed and flight simulator.

A great deal for \$275.00 - Check this: [F-22 Review](#)



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Non Club Events

March 6th to 9th – Florida Jet Rally, Lakeland, Florida www.franktiano.com

March 8th – Central Penn. Aeromodelers Flea Market. Lebanon Fair Grounds
www.cpa.us/home.html

March 15th – Burlington, NJ Flea Market, Route 537 Mount Holly. American Hose Company Building.

March 22nd – Tri-County Wing Snappers Swap Meet. Hamburg, PA. www.tcws.org

April 4th – 6th – Toledo, presented by the Weak Signals. Toledo, OH. www.toledoshow.com

April 28th – Scotland, PA Flea Market, Scotland Community Center. Sponsored by the Chambersburg Modelairs.
<http://home.comcast.net/~pmpattcom>

April 23rd – 27th – Top Gun, Lakeland, FL.
www.franktiano.com

Flighttime Radio Show

Last month Brian Kraut contacted me. He is now an adult and a successful DJ down in Florida. Brian joined the club as a teenager. He learned to crash and fly with a couple of our instructors, namely Frank Sansone and Norm Berger. Brian

even reminded me that he won the “crash of the month” a few times.

Anyway, he is still flying models and has moved on to full size planes. He even owns a homebuilt Midget Mustang

As for the models, he says that he is into electric - anything he can throw into the front seat and fly at a local school. He uses a Spectrum radio to insure interference free flying.

Back to the heading. Brian and another pilot, Milford Shirley, now have a Saturday morning radio show on WBOB AM 1320 in Jacksonville, FL. They are both active members in EAA Chapter 193. Their show can be heard on www.flighttimeradio.com at any time. I listened in for a while and liked it, though it is geared for full size flying.

Brian said to say “hi” to Norm, Charlie, and Bob.

U Fly Hobbies is Again Open

Just a short note to let you know that U Fly will be opening at their new location on the Monmouth Executive Airport on Monday, February 24th. They will also have a “Re-Grand Opening” on

March 8th.

Their address is:
Monmouth Executive Airport
Highway 34 Building 5S
732-414-1124 www.uflyhobbies.com



That's it for this month. Thanks go out to Joe, Norm, Alex, and Art for their contributions to the newsletter this month.

See you at the meeting,
John

2008 Tri County R/C Club Member Renewal Coupon

(Please print clearly)

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

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AMA#: _____ Phone #: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Cell#: _____

Email Address: _____

Dues are \$25.00

**Make checks payable to: Tri County R/C Club.
If mailing, include a copy of your 2008 AMA card.**

**Mail to: Bill Binder
5 Morsell Place
Old Bridge, NJ 08857**

For the treasurer's use:

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Number

___ Cash

___ Proof of 2008 AMA
membership.

Coming Events

Club Meeting. -Thursday, February 28th at 8:00 p.m. in the East Brunswick Library

Lebanon, PA Flea Market, March 8th at Lebanon Fairgrounds

Hamburg, PA Swap Meet, March 22nd at New Tripoli, PA

Club Meeting. -Thursday, March 27th at 8:00 p.m. in the East Brunswick Library

The Fly Paper

c/o John Donnelly
4 Cedar Street
Butler, NJ 07405-1329



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