

Carrier Wave

Newsletter of the Phantom Flyers R/C Club

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April 2006

Upcoming Events/Important Notices

May 13, Float Fly Practice at Innsbruck

May 17, Club Meeting at Flying Field

May 27, Float Fly at Innsbruck

June 3, Pattern Seminar at Field

11 June, Family BBQ and Build-a-Plane

21 June, Club Meeting at Flying Field



Meeting Minutes for April 19, 2006

Vice President Frank Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm. Nineteen members and one guest were present. There were no new members present. Ed White had an excuse for not being here (or so he claimed when he showed up at 7:15). New members Dominic Alberico and Paul Nesbit were present. Old-old member Bill Sostman was also present.

Tech Session – Dan Sundman showed a Cox Corsair model (electric) to which he added ailerons. He gets 25 minutes duration on 800 mAH Li-po.

Secretary's report – A motion was made and approved to accept the minutes of the March 15 meeting as printed in the Carrier Wave.

Treasury report - A motion was made and approved to accept the treasurer's report as presented.

Recreation report – Nothing new to report.

GSLMA report – No report.

Field Managers report – We still don't have one. The grass has been cut twice – Thank you George Dauble. George and Emory Kattelman also did some maintenance on the mowers. Dave Evans added some spots for 27 MHz and 2.4 GHz – thanks Dave! Sealing the runway was discussed but an inspection last year indicated that sealing was not needed. We do need to fill some cracks however. Also the BBQ pits need some cleaning and some ruts need some work. We will plan on a work part weekend some time in May.

Safety report – Nothing to report.

Activity report – 49 cub scouts attended the scout rocket launch. Next events are the Fun Fly on May 7 and the Float Fly, practice on May 14 and full event on May 28.

Old Business – There was no old business discussed.

New Business – The U.S. Scale team is running a raffle to support their travel to the world championships. Contact Ed White if you are interested.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 pm.

Minutes prepared by Frank Thomas and Ed White

2006 Carrier Fun Fly

May 7, 2006

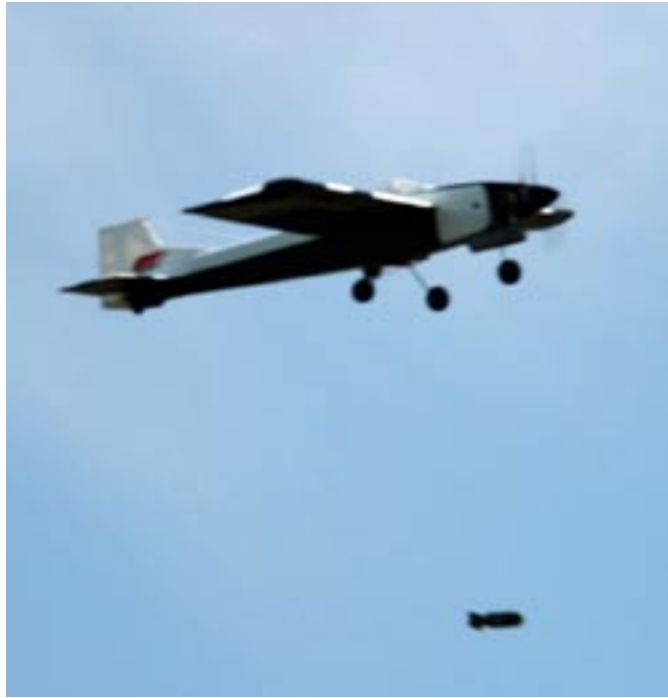
The weather was near perfect, low winds and moderate temperature, with just a few clouds floating around the sky. Four intrepid aviators, Contest Director Al Bone, Kevin Cox, Jan Jansen, and Bill Ahrens brought their specially prepared airplanes to carve up the skies over north-eastern St. Charles County. This year Kevin Cox brought his twin electric ducted fan Banshee to the party. While the other models flew well, the Banshee really looked the part of a carrier plane.

The event consists of a short takeoff, bomb drop, as many stunts as can be packed in 30 seconds, and an arrested "carrier" landing. Points are scored for takeoff within the "deck" length, bomb drop accuracy, number of stunts, and catching the appropriate wire on landing. Middle wires score higher than first and fourth. Bill Ahrens won with 151 points, Al Bone was second scoring 134 points, Kevin Cox finished third accumulating 107 points and Jan Jansen was fourth with 71 points. Jan flew well and could have score much higher, but his hook failed to catch the "wires" on his landing attempts.



The bomb drop is an interesting part of the contest. The following pictures show weapon separation.





Unfortunately, your intrepid photographer/reporter was unable to capture a good picture of separation from the Banshee.

The other photogenic portion of the contest is carrier landing. All four contestants made valiant though not always successful attempts at catching the wire.



A good time was had by all of the contestants and spectators. More participation is definitely warranted.

Events on KCRC Calendar

See the KCRC website for more information - www.kcradiocontrol.org

May 6, 2006
49th Jumbo Squadron
Spring Fly-In
Charles W. Reed III Field

May 6, 2006
South Platte River Rats
Fun Fly & Open House
Farley, MO

June 6, 2006
RC Sport Flyers
Open Fun Fly
Stamm Field

June 17-18, 2006
KCRC
51st Annual Pattern Contest
Charles W. Reed III Field

July 8, 2006
49th Jumbo Squadron
Military Fly-In
Charles W. Reed III Field

July 22, 2006
KCRC
Charity Fly-In
Charles W. Reed III Field

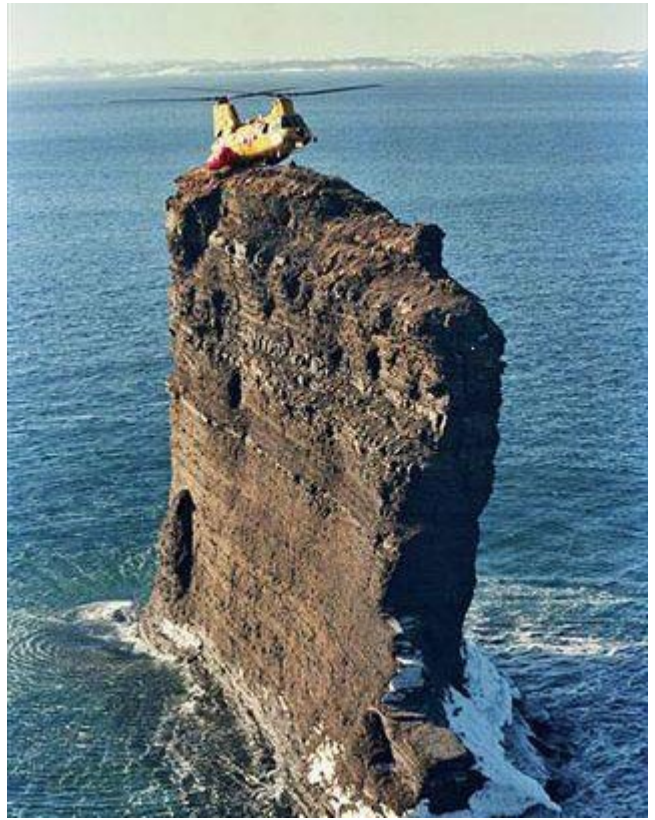
August 26, 2006
49th Jumbo Squadron
Jumbo Jamboree
Charles W. Reed III Field

September 9, 2006
KCRC
Annual Warbird Fly-In
Charles W. Reed III Field

When You Really Must Trust the Pilot!

Submitted by Ed White





MEETING OPENED: 7:00 PM

ATTENDANCE: Aero Pilots, Laf. Esq., Lone Eagles, River City Flyers, St. Louis Rocketry, Signal Chasers, St. Louis R/C, Thermaleers, Whirley Birds

MINUTES: March Minutes were accepted with the following clarification; The motion regarding Roberts Rules of Order that was adopted in March was a change to Part B of Article 8 and reads "Meetings may be conducted informally or according to Roberts Rules of Order at the discretion of the chairperson. A roll call will be taken in order to determine the presence of a quorum."

TREASURER'S REPORT: Old Balance \$11,125.49 New Balance \$ 11462.06
Buder Permits Issued in March - 33 Year to Date - 208

OLD BUSINESS:

- ◆ The boundary markers on the R/C field have been moved back to the original position.
- ◆ A draft of the Usage Agreement was just received from the Parks Department. Copies will be passed out at the May GSLMA meeting.
- ◆ A work order for trimming of low branches in the control line area has been issued.
- ◆ A motion to reopen discussion of flying surface renovation was made and carried.
- ◆ The "single runway option" suggested by St. Louis R/C was withdrawn after more detailed discussions.
- ◆ A motion was made to go ahead with runway resurfacing in 2006 pending negotiation of a satisfactory Usage Agreement with the Parks Dept., and to crack fill and reseal the control line surfaces in 2007 or sooner if the funds become available. The motion carried.
- ◆ Foot traffic across the R/C Field to the soccer area will be monitored. If necessary, a recommendation to place a sign along the south boundary of the R/C flying area will be made to Parks Dept.

NEW BUSINESS:

- ◆ The current Porta Potty vendor has begun charging a fuel usage fee of approx. \$4.63/month. Bids from several other vendors were solicited. The results indicate that we could save about \$9.00/month by changing to DCS. A motion was made to proceed with the change of vendors to DCS. Motion carried.
- ◆ St. Louis Rocketry has finalized arrangements for the Boy Scout Rocket Launch scheduled for May 6 at Buder Park.
- ◆ There was a long discussion of an incident that occurred at Buder R/C field on April 1 involving the disregard of flying safety rules by a pilot. That pilot was admonished by a GSLMA officer to fly with an experienced pilot on a buddy box until his competence improves. That action was appropriate in the circumstance and was consistent with the GSLMA responsibility to enforce flying safety rules under County Ordinance 616.808. After discussion with the offending pilot, a third party who holds an AMA license and a Buder Permit, openly challenged the authority of GSLMA to enforce any flying rules at Buder and advised the offending pilot to disregard GSLMA rules and pay no attention to what he was just told. That person was then cited by the GSLMA officer for his rude and inappropriate intervention in the matter. Follow-up discussion of this issue with the cited individual is planned. More GSLMA reps have also volunteered to serve as safety officers at Buder.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:10 PM

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, May 3, 2006, at 7:00 PM at the Grand Glaize County Library, 1010 Meramec Station Road.

MEETING OPENED: 7:00 PM

ATTENDANCE: Aero Pilots, Balsa Busters, Laf. Esq., Lone Eagles, River City Flyers, St. Louis Rocketry Assn., Signal Chasers, St. Louis R/C, Thermaleers, Whirley Birds

MINUTES: Approved as published.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Old Balance \$11462.06 New Balance \$11481.67
Buder Permits Issued in April - 28 Year to Date - 236

OLD BUSINESS:

- ◆ Tree trimming in the Control Line Area was partially done. Parks Dept. has given Laf. Esq. permission to trim the remaining low-hanging branches if it is not done in time for the May event.

NEW BUSINESS:

- ◆ Copies of the Usage Agreement Draft were passed out to club reps. All clubs are requested to review and comment on the document at the June GSLMA meeting.
- ◆ E-mail from Mr. Tate of Parks Dept. indicates that runway resurfacing is scheduled for July 2006.
- ◆ We have reason to believe that AMA has approved a Facilities Improvement Grant to GSLMA in the amount of \$1310.00 toward resurfacing cost. We are awaiting official confirmation of this grant. Thanks to Troy Von Kloha for his efforts in filing the request for AMA funding. Troy is also working with Boeing Aircraft to have a real Flight Simulator at Extravaganza 2006.
- ◆ Laf. Esq. will host a AAA speed and stunt event concurrent with Extravaganza. Arrangements will be made to insure participants free entry into Buder Park.
- ◆ We need to find some means of communicating to Park Rangers that the Rocketry Assn. is part of GSLMA so that they don't get evicted from the R/C field again.
- ◆ It was suggested that we might host a Red Cross Blood Drive on Extravaganza weekend. That possibility is being investigated further.
- ◆ Coming Events:
 - May 6, 2006: Boy Scout Rocket Launch at Buder R/C field. Field will be closed to flying all day.
 - May 20-21: Control Line Speed and Racing Contest
 - May 7: River City Flyers 4-Star Racing Event
 - June 3-4: Hilo Fun Fly at Buder R/C field. Field closed to Fixed Wing flying.
 - River City Flyers Field events:
 1. Sunday, May 7: 4 Star Race
 2. May 28: Open flying to all AMA card holders
 3. June 30 – July 2: Gateway Rally of Giants (EAC event) for more information go to www.rivercityflyers.com

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:05 PM

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, June 7, 2006, at 7:00 PM at the Grand Glaize County Library, 1010 Meramec Station Road.