



Club Meeting

Tuesday, October 14, 2014 7:15 PM at the Methodist Church

The church is on the Northwest corner of Willson Ave. and Olive St. Use the Alley side entrance.

Hello All

Another month goes by, starting to notice leaves changing colors. The good news is there is still lots of good flying weather. As our Tuesday night training nights come to a close, I would like to thank Chuck Banta for always being out there to help. I would also like to thank every one of you for being out there helping others as well every time. We had a great turnout for every event this summer.

I also wanted to mention that I did talk to Bob at MSU about the rumors at the field that they were moving their wheat because of us, and that is not true. They are moving the wheat across the road and planting alfalfa at our field. so we by no means are loosing our spot. He mentioned that our spot always looks great!

Our fun fly and swap meet went great! We could not of asked for any better weather, and we had lots of help. We had people from Billings, Powell WY, Livingston and Helena. we had lots of spectators and interest in the club. Advertising on Facebook and Craigslist worked so I will keep that in mind for next time. We had a great demonstration on FPV flight from Jim Nyguard with his quad copter I will try to post some photos soon.

Next meeting we will be back at the church and also keep in mind we are looking for a new spot for our appreciation dinner since Fuddruckers went out of business. Let me know ideas.

See you next meeting,

Chuck's Corner

Destry

I just got back from Billings and did manage to get to Central Hobbies. The same person has owned it for 42 years. It's always fun to look at new stuff. They have a lot more planes hanging in there now. I did find some of the large carving blades for the big Exacto knife handle. Also, their prices on the new 2.4 GHz radios looked pretty good.



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We have the Church meeting place scheduled for Oct thru April (except for Nov which is wives/girlfriends appreciation meal). We'll let everyone know where it will be held in the next newsletter. It's also the time we announce the Club Member of the Year.

Brian sent out a notice about the plastic storage containers I have. I paid \$1 each for them. I had bought 20 earlier and I have them all over the place with pins, servo arms, nuts and bolts and all kinds of small parts in them. I bought 51 this last time (all that she had) and planned to sell some of them (if anybody is interested). Otherwise, my small parts storage problem is solved for good.

Chuck Curtis

"Club Plane"!!!!

Here's an idea for something that could be a fun winter project. Get ready....

Hobbyking has some laser cut kits that are pretty small in nature search "Park Scale Models" on their site. The basic 3 ch trainer would be around \$55 with motor, ESC, servos (up to 70 if you chose the cub or other ship). I think this would be a great thing to do this winter. I'd be up for holding a meeting in my garage (somewhat heated) to build one or more of the nights. Then we could have a club plane only fun fly :)

Here is the link to the search for Park Scale models search on Hobbyking,



http://hobbyking.com/hobbyking/store/RC_PRODUCT_SEARCH.asp?strSearch=park+scale+models

I'll try to print out the pics of the models to bring to next meeting, but take a look on the hk website.

cheers,
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Safety

By the time you read this, most of you will have seen the email concerning a horrible accident from an improperly restrained large model that caused serious (nearly fatal) injury to a by-stander during engine run-up. If you'd like to read the details, visit: <http://www.flyinggiants.com/forums/showthread.php?t=92544>

Apparently, this incident started a discussion amongst club members about safety practices at our field, including the topic of overflying the sweat lodge area when people are present and overflying our pit area, both of which should be avoided but often aren't.

It's been suggested that we review our safety procedures and no fly zones for our field. Perhaps a topic for our next meeting?

Stan Johnson

Miles City Combat

20 September 2014

The Billing brothers, Reg and Ben, have been actively involved in RC Combat for several years, making the trip across state to attend our events in July and hosting their own on the Billing ranch (approx 35 miles north of Miles City) each September. Charlie Pflieger and I attended this year's event along with Ben and Reg. Unlike most combat events, we don't have individual judges or even timed rounds. Mostly, we're there for the fun of flying and testing each others' skills! When we run out of fuel or have no streamer left, we land and prep for the next round. Flying began about 10:00 AM and ended about 6:30 PM, although we did break for lunch.



Only 21 miles to go!

on Deadman Road. While some may like to tear up this road at thrilling speed, my van prefers taking it at 30 - 35 MPH with frequent slow downs for cattle guards! The ranch includes a beautiful flying field in a

Getting to the Billing ranch involves about a 350 mile trip from Bozeman with the final 23 miles



Charlie and Ben



wide ravine. Wind was moderate during the day (10 - 15) with occasional gusts, perfect for launch and recovery! The most notable combat maneuver of the day was the slow flying into the wind, almost kite-like, a real test of the slow flight characteristics of our airplanes! "Frolicking" was how Charlie described it, not sure where he was going with that comment!

It was a fun day and a great final event of the summer!

Stan Johnson

Fun Fly and Swap Meet

Here are some photos from our well attended Fun Fly and Swap Meet which was held September 14. As Destry mentioned, we had quite a few out of town visitors, we had LOTS of flying during the day. I think my favorite airplane was the Lazy Bee (right) with tundra tires!

Stan





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