



The Field Box

All the news that fits (And other tall tails)



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What's Been Happening At The Field

Since the last news letter was published, a lot of activities have transpired at the field. On April 15th Dave Huff organized a great fun fly for all club members that were interested. The events were : A timed taxi obstacle course, carrier take-off, 3 each roll/loop/touch and go, limbo, all the spins (nose down) you can do in a minute, and climb and glide to a spot landing. A great time was had by one an all even though there were a few dinged airframes by the end of the day.

On May 20th we held our annual club fly-in. Although the weather was questionable during the week leading up to the fly-in, we were once again graced with clear skies and light to variable winds all day long. I say variable, sometimes it was 10 mph, sometimes 0 mph, sometimes from the South, sometimes from the North, you get the picture. We had a full flight line all day long with all types and sizes of aircraft represented. A big thanks goes out to all of the WTRCF members that worked extremely hard on Friday to get the field ready and worked equally hard on Saturday to get everybody registered, radios impounded, keeping the concessions stand running, and keeping the flight line moving so that the pilots could show their stuff. I would also like to give special recognition to the club members from Murray Kentucky for supporting our fly-in even on the day of their clubs inaugural fly-in. And to the club members from Magic Valley that came up. Those two clubs were well represented and they came to fly, not to watch.

On June 24th, we hosted The Mid America Combat Championship. There were 14 combatants representing the states of Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Georgia, and of course, Tennessee. The action started around 10:00 AM and was fast and furious until around 5:00 PM when the last round was completed. Results of the meet can be found at :

http://www.rccombat.com/forum/topic.asp?TOPIC_ID=12152 This truly was a great experience for me to watch and to participate in as an official flight/safety/pilots line judge. I would encourage all club members to participate in this event next year either as staffers help the contest director in any way needed or in the furball as a combatant.

What's Happening Next Month and beyond

The July meeting will be held at the field on Saturday July 8th starting at 12:00 PM. On that same day, Dave Huff will be running the second club fun fly. I am not sure of the events scheduled for this one but I am sure there will be some flying, and there will be some fun ! The field will be closed to open flying during the fun fly events.

Other Upcoming Events

Magic Valley Air Force Fly-In - July 22nd
Jackson Air Show - October 7th - 8th
Magic Valley Air Force Fly-In - October 21nd

From The Editor

Well, the Fourth of July is right around the corner. This time of year is special to me. As I remember all of the rights and freedoms that I have, I also remember the price that was paid for those rights and freedoms. Right before we kicked off the Combat meet, a stirring rendition of The Star Spangled Banner was broadcast over the PA system. As I stood and gazed at our American Flag fluttering in the light breeze, I couldn't help but remember those men that raised her over Iwo Jima, or the flags that fly over the USS Arizona, in Arlington National Cemetary, or over the Tomb Of The Unknown Soldier. This Independence Day when you see Old Glory, remember those service men and women who are standing a post keeping watch so that we can enjoy the freedoms of this great country. Long may she wave ! God Bless America

Until next time, Keep the canopy side up !



Jim Wilson