



The Field Box

All the news that fits (And other tall tails)



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What's Been Happening At The Field

Happy New Year everybody !! I hope that everyone had a merry Christmas and a safe and happy new year celebration. I know that even though we are in the early/mid stages of winter, flying activities at the field have been HOT ! The last time I was out was the last Sunday of the year and it was hard to find a place to assemble my planes. I also had grandiose plans of getting up early on January 1st and being the first club member in the air in the new year. Ah but cold temperatures, high wind, and a warm fire kept me inside all day. Maybe next year we can have a little contest to see who makes it up first, with an annual prize going to the winner, a traveling trophy if you will.....something to think about. Now on to more important items.....

As everyone has probably noticed, the shed has been relocated (onto a concrete floor to boot), re-wired, and re-organized ! A big round of applause to all of those club members who helped make this huge endeavor a success. I am sure that if I tried to include all of the names of those who helped I would miss some one. However, a special thanks goes out to Tim Morris and his crew for providing an ingenious, well crafted 'shed lifting and moving apparatus' to relocate the shed (intact) to its new location.

Our next club meeting will be on Tuesday, January 8th at 7:00 PM at the local Shoney's restaurant on Highland Avenue in Jackson. For any new members, a few guys usually get there early to have supper and do a little hangar flying before hand. This meeting is one of the two most important meetings of the year. During the January meeting, a nominating committee will be selected to solicit the club members for nominations of the club officer positions for presentation to the club during February's meeting. Club officer elections are just 1 month away and based on club participation the past two years elections, it is still not too early to start thinking about nominations for Club President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasure, Safety Officer, and Club Intro Pilots (Trainers). These positions in the club are very important to the health and welfare of the club and the members holding these positions are a reflection of

all of the club members. This year I would like to see a larger group of participants at these two meetings than what we have had the last couple of years.

As the new year arrives, I want to remind every one that your AMA dues must be current in order to fly at the field. The new AMA license is green in color and is required. Also, annual club membership dues are due on the last day of February. Adult memberships are \$80.00 per year, youth under 19 years of age, active military personnel, and full time college students are no charge

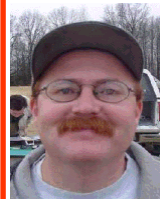
I am looking forward to another great flying season and seeing as many members as possible at the meet-

From The Editor

Not much to type about this month. The biggest thing on my agenda while it is cold outside is getting all of my airframes airworthy for next season. I plan on doing a thorough inspection of all of my fasteners (motor mount screws, servo screws, wheel pants screws, canopy screws, anything with threads) to make sure they are all tight and secure. Next, I'll take a heat gun and tighten up all of the covering and make sure that all of the edges are sealed down. Lastly I'll check the control surfaces to make sure that all of the hinge points are secure. Doing this now will save time and potential heartache when that first calm, warm sunny spring day rolls around. One other thing I like to do to the engines that won't be seeing any use for a while is to spray some WD-40 into the carburetor and flip the engine through several times to distribute the lubricant through out the engine. This will keep the moving parts rust free until called upon next spring.

Until next month, keep the canopy side up !

Other Dates Of Interest



**Tuesday January 8th, 2008 WTRCF
Club Meeting, 7:00 PM at Shoney's**

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