

Next Club Meeting

Mar 31th, 2007@ 12:00pm

Apr 28th, 2007 @ 12:00pm

Lewis Brooks Field

THE WRIGHT STUFF

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IT'S A NEW YEAR!

While this edition is late getting out, it's here. We're well into the new year. We'll see new people and planes showing up at the flying field. Many of us are finishing up our winter projects or just sprucing up the fleet we have. But no matter, as the weather begins to warm we'll see more and more activity at the flying field.

It's always exciting to see what others have built or bought. So do your part and bring your planes to the field. Kyle has a new 12' J3 Cub. I can't wait to see that one fly!

John Bloom is working on a new Sig Somethin' Extra. We should see that one flying soon.



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THE MALL SHOW

Come on down to Westfield Mall in Gastonia on March 10th and be a part of the Gaston RC Flyer's Mall Show. Bring your planes, for display be prepared to spend some time with the public introducing them to our exciting hobby.

We'll have simulators setup for folks to try their skill. And remember that the Sunday after the Mall Show we're going to invite the public to

come out and give it a try. So bring your trainers and trainer cords!

To the right we see Brandon getting Russell's airplane all trimmed and ready for the instruction.





Brandon Berckman's Ultimate Bipe



Callan Offnick's new T-Rex electric Heli



Brandon and Russell prep the trainer



Tim Plonk's Sig 4-Star 120

ON THE BUILDING BOARD

Gray Benton is building a Great Plane Cub 40 sized

Tam and Brice have a redesigned trainer in the works

David Mays is Completing a 42% Edge 540

John Bloom is completing a SIG Something Extra (seen below)

Tim Plonk has Extreme Flight 25% Yak 54 being completed



Mitchell Robinson is completing a Fokker DR.VII

John Roland has acquired a 34% Extra 300

JANUARY MINUTES

Treasurers Reports **\$1320** current balance

Dana Bryant brought a quote from Don's Lawn Care for \$40 dollars per cut at 2 cuts per month. Motion was made by John Bloom to accept the proposal. This motion was seconded by Jim Billups and unanimously passed.

Open discussion on membership boosting was brought to the table. The idea of a Mall presentation at East Ridge Mall in Gaston was brought up. Jim Billups made the motion to have a static display presented at the Mall of Saturday March 10. Dana Bryant seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed.

Sound enforcement testing will be held on Saturday March 3rd and again on Saturday March 17th. Lee and Kyle Allen will conduct the testing. The results of the testing will be posted in the frequency board cabinet and updated regularly.

Von Easterberg of Bessemer City was voted into the club.

Gray Benton has material to build new work and start-up tables for the field. Jim Billups and Gray Benton will prepare the material to be constructed on the next meeting day of Saturday February 24th.

A motion to adjourn was made by John Roland and seconded by Dana Bryant. The motion to adjourn was unanimously passed.

FEBRUARY MINUTES

Treasurers report of **\$1631** current balance

The date of March 10th has been secured to display our models at East Ridge Mall in Gastonia. A list of members and models was made that will be displaying and participating in the showing. We will meet at the service entrance of the Mall at 0830 on Saturday March 10, 2007. We will have a flat screen TV showing looped movies of Fly-in's. A flight simulator will also be on hand for the public to use. David Mays will make flyers to be handed out to let the public know where we are and what we do.

Sound enforcement and test dates will be March 3rd and March 17th.

Kyle Allen made a motion to increase dues from \$4 per month to \$6. Callan Offnik seconded the motion. This motion will be voted on the last meeting of 2007.



Yep! Even the ladies fly airplanes! Here is Tim Plonk teaching his daughter Alex the finer aspects of flying!



Brandon Berckman and Tim Plonk chat it up among some of Tim's fleet.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello to everyone, I am sure everyone is anxious to get those winter project birds out for there maiden flights. I greatly appreciate the support over this past few months as we transition back into more of a structured operating club instead of a lax weekend flyers group. I would hope that if you can please come out to the Mall on March 10 to help with setup, talking to the public, teardown, etc. We will have a flight simulator and flat screen TV on display. The Sunday immediately following on March 11th is when we

will need to have a few planes and instructors at the field. This is our opportunity to let the public know who we are and what we do. We have seen a steady membership increase over the past 5 months. Hopefully the Mall show will help us continue that trend. I greatly appreciate Lee and Kyle Allen taking the time to test the sound level of our aircraft. I also wanted to say thanks to Gray Benton for supplying the material and constructing the new worktables for the field. I need to get the number off of your keys to the field. Please

contact me with your key number as well as let me know of address, email and phone number changes. You can leave this information on my home answering machine at 704-735-3347 of on my cell at 704-913-3572

Best Regards, David Mays

