

THE PROP WASH

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Doug Van Orman

DOUG'S BROODIN'S (FROM THE PRES)

Well it's about time,, the weather is getting warmer, the grass is growing and the longer days are here and building season is almost over (well at least my wife hears me say that but truly there are more terrific planes that need to be built) and I love to put them together.

Just recently Paul Langner flew my newest- a 81 in Cessna 310 on it's first flight, what a beauty --just the sound of the twin engines on a high speed low level run just after the retracts smoothly brought the wheels up made all the time and DOLLARS SPENT on this model worth it. Fellow Barnstormers, we truly are lucky to have modeling in our lives as well as probably one of the finest flying facilities to display our talents and enjoy some great lasting friendships. Looking forward to time @ the field.

Till next time...

Doug Van Orman

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Eric DeSardi

Eric's Tidbits

(The Vice President's Input)

Hello everyone and I'd like to thank everyone for bringing me in as your VP for the 2009 season. I look forward to a great year of flying, and our events.

At the moment, it's winter time and the grass is hibernating well, seems just the weeds are green. The first order on my list for the field is to attack the ants and see if we can drive them, at least, off the runway. I've seen several airplanes, including my own, hit an ant hill and flip during landing. Also we're going to clean out the tractor shed, it's just to full of old, not used items. I'd say I'd start that right at the first of the year, so I'd ask everyone to get personal items out before the cleaning starts.

On a side note, my very first Saturday as VP I have the honor to meet out neighbor to the North of us Mr. George Pasket. Mr. Pasket was kind enough to not only find, but bring to the club house, Dick Robbins missing airplane. Mr. Pasket said he found it while he was out tracking deer, and saw it in the trees between us and the full scale runway. Mrs. Robbins told me that it was like Christmas morning for Dick, when I called and told him the plane was in the club house.

Thank You and unit next time,

Eric DeSardi

Gary's Gossip

(The Secretary's Report)



Gary Baumgartner

Barnstormer Meeting Minutes

for Mar 5th 2009

- * Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm.
- * February minutes were corrected to reflect \$15.00 landing fee for April Big Bird.
- * President Doug Van Orman discussed proposed project to concrete area that is used to start aircraft. Plans for approximately 8ft by 130 ft concrete area. Also plans to improve area around pilot stations. Current estimate is \$3600.00. Members present voted to put this item on the agenda for the April meeting. Goal is to get done for Big Bird.
- * There are 32 members not paid up on their AMA dues. Also, some member are not paid up on club dues. Remember you cannot fly unless you are current with AMA and the club. Van Orman will be contacting those who are not current.
- * Treasurer Dick Pursley reported that we have 143 members in good standing and club finances are in good shape.
- * Vice President Eric DeSardi reported that the field has been aerated. He proposed a fertilizer spreader that can be put on the large tractor. This will be on be April agenda. Requires approval of the members for this purchase.
- * SAFETY- Richard Arnold reported that we have had no safety issues year to date.
- * Members present voted to give \$500.00 to the New Waverly Lions Club. This is one of the items the club does to maintain AMA Gold Leader status.
- * Check out the website. It now contains a forum for discussion of club and hobby related topics. (Please keep it clean and respect those who may not know quite as much as others .)
- * Max Taylor plans to extend the sprinkler system to water the new trees.
- * NEW MEMBERS-
 - Sidney Feinstein
 - Pat McParland
- * MODEL OF MONTH - 4 planes discussed. Bud Brinkley won the can of fuel.
- * NAMETAG PRIZE- Won by George Terry.
- * ATTENDANCE PRIZE- No winner. Rolls over to next month.
- * Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Baumgartner
2009 Secretary

Since we missed last month I want to add last months minutes per the bylaws sorry for the inconvenience!!!

February Minutes 2009

- * Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm.
- * December minutes approved.
- * Four guests present.

* President Doug Van Orman discussed his vision for future facility enhancements. He wants to look at a plan for the next two to three years. Possible projects include:

- Expansion of the pavilion
- Concrete aprons in area where planes are started
- Expansion of taxi ways

He plans to prepare drawings and cost estimates for presentation at the next meeting.

* Adam Kaminskas has resigned his position as Safety Officer. He has served for five years and was commended for his dedication to safety . Richard Arnold was appointed as the new Safety Officer.

* Vice President Eric DeSardi reported that the field is in good shape for this time of year. He reported that the club has purchased an aerator.

* Treasurer report- Dick Pursley reported that 20 member have not renewed membership. He also reported that 40 members have not renewed AMA membership. (Remember, you cannot be a Barnstormer member unless you are and AMA member.) Club funds are in good shape. Doug Van Orman will call members who need to renew.

* Darrin Denn has volunteered to assist with the website.

* Adam Kaminskas reported that the sanction for Big Bird has been approved. Big Bird is scheduled for April 18 and 19. Landing fee will be \$15.00 and will include lunch on Saturday.

* New Members- Andrew Leigh

* Model of Month - 4 planes were shown. Bill Nowlin won the can of fuel.

* Kirk Massey from New Creations reported that there is a recall on Spektrum DX6i radios. Go to the Spektrum website for more info.

* Gary Baumgartner explained a problem concerning servos. Not all brands of servos turn the same direction. When changing a damaged servo in an aircraft be certain to check that control surfaces move in the correct direction after the change. The crash you prevent may be your own.

* Adam reported that we recently had a prop cut from a prop on an electric aircraft. The plane had a pusher prop and the person that threw the plane was not familiar with launching that type of aircraft. Don Menk gave a demonstration and explanation of the proper method of hand launching pusher aircraft. For a personal demonstration talk to Don or see me (Gary Baumgartner).

* Nametag drawing- Helmut Eindorf was wearing his name tag and won the \$25.00 gift certificate.

* Attendance prize- Won by Dick Silver

* Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.



Dick Pursley

Dick's Doin's

(Treasury Report)

Hey Guys,

The account is fine we are doing good. Charters are coming in and being renewed. I have a few stickers for some people for your AMA card if you have not got one let me know.

Happy Flying!!!!

Dick Pursley

Hey guys,

This is YOUR newsletter. We want it to be something you enjoy getting. We also need **YOUR HELP!!!**

PLEASE send us articles to include in upcoming issues.

Also we have a new forum for our club that allows members to talk about the club and sell your stuff..

‘Lectrik or Glow, Which Way Do I Go?’

by Bill E. Nowlin

My journey into the friendly skies at the RC Field began in July of ought 7 when my Son-In-Law and I bought a Hanger 9, P51 PTS as a first plane. We also bought all the field equipment needed to support the Evolution 46 on the front and the Rx and Tx batteries involved. That particular plane didn't last till the water got hot so we replaced it with a 60 size trainer, then added a 40 size Ultra Stick with another EV 46 and a Four Star 60 with some Saito 100 nose art for power. Because there is a small chance that Bride might read this and decide to take a full inventory, I'll stop there. Let's just say "FOR ME, GLOW FUEL RULED AND SAITO WAS THE WAY TO GO"

Then I began to notice those lektrafied guys who would jump out of the car, hook up a battery they had in their shirt pocket, grab their 2.4g radio and would be flying inside three minutes of arrival! Then a family member suggested that I bring one of my airplanes to the next family gathering. Boy, that might be cool! Well it was easy to see that a Four Star 60 would not do for that! What about one of "*them little lektriks*"?

So I bought one. A second hand Mini Pulse XT was hangin' in Kirks shop. I bet it used to belong to one of you guys! It was 40% off and all I needed was two batteries. So I bought one (two). Now when I go to the field and there is little or no wind, I fly it first. Eight to ten minutes is about all I can get out of a battery, but that is about as long as I can look up anyway. Then out come the Slow Polk Sport 40 coupled to a Saito 72 and the 60 size Tiger 2 sportin' a Saito 91 Golden Knight. (I sure hope Bride isn't reading this!!!) I just LOVE the smell of Nitro in the morning! Don't you??? I just **LOVE** it! And those Four Strokes, they all sound the way an airplane is supposed to sound. Yeah I know! Now I've got to clean them up and try to get the wings into the van, then the fuselages in the van, then all the field equipment into the Van. Man, "that's a lot of work"! Then the little lektriks go in. There are two of them now. I won a Diamante 25e a year and a half ago and I'm just now getting around to putting it in the air. The lektriks are easier! But don't you just love that Throaty Grumble when the Four Strokes thump by? **WHAT TO DO? WHAT TO DO?**

I've got it! I'll just do like Bride does with her shoes on vacation! She just buys a giant suitcase and takes all the shoes! That's It! I'll buy a **Humongous, Giant Trailer** and take all the planes. Don't you just love it when a plan comes together!

See you at the field.

Bill E. Nowlin



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March Madness Sale

16th thru 21st

10% off everything in the store with the purchase of 50 dollars or more for Barnstormers members

Mention Tri County Barnstormer and sale at purchase and support your local hobby shop!!!



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THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE

April 2nd