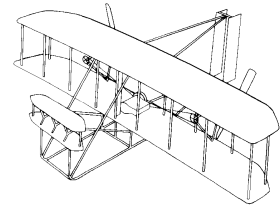




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NEWSLETTER OF THE WRIGHT FLYERS R/C CLUB

Meeting Highlights

On Tuesday, May 10th, the Wright Flyers held the monthly membership meeting at the at the Montissippi Park flying field. After a good amount of flying, the meeting was convened at 7:40 PM. There were 9 members including four officers in attendance. The meeting was chaired by president Scott Leiferman. Minutes from the April meeting were read and approved. A treasurer's report was given. Mike Munoz of Waverly and Jeff Pederson of Big Lake, the newest members to join were introduced by Scott.

Joel Dirnberger showed two versions of a club sign design that we could have the Wright County Park Commission put at the Montissippi park entrance. The members at the meeting preferred the one with a biplane in the logo. Rich Johnson will contact the Park Commission and see if they would get the sign made and installed.

Garth Landefeld reported he has mowed the field once so far and will do it again sometime by the weekend to knock down the dandelions that have popped up.

Leo Davids gave a reminder about the hobby exhibit for the Monticello elementary school classes that was scheduled for Friday, May 13th. So far, Leo and Milt Olson were planning to represent the club. Another volunteer was sought but no one was able to make a firm commitment.

Leo received the acknowledgement that the club has a spot on the Monticello Walk and Roll path scheduled for Saturday May 21st. It will be somewhere on School Blvd in front of the high school. There are two soccer fields behind the path in that area so something in flying demos might be possible. Rich Johnson volunteered to help and bring

The next meeting is
scheduled for 7:30 PM on
Tuesday, June 14th, 2005, at
the Montissippi Flying Field.

tables for the booth. Garth Landefeld and Scott Leiferman also volunteered to help and possibly Mike Munoz.

There was a request to have a club sponsored fun-fly and family picnic this summer. Garth offered to head it up with a format similar to the one he conducted the year before last. The time would be on a Saturday in late July or early August with a rain date Sunday. More discussion will ensue during upcoming meetings

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Senior Hobby Day

For the enlightenment and entertainment of the 2nd through 4th graders of the Monticello Elementary School, the Monticello Community Center hosted the annual event on Friday May 13th. As reported in the May 19th Monticello Times, "more than 500 Monticello elementary school students descended on the Monticello Community Center" for this annual exhibition. There were around a dozen different craft and hobby booths set up for the stu-

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dents to take in.

The WFRC Club booth was staffed by Milt Olson, Al Amundson and Leo Davids. Al brought in three of his aircraft to display and some model aircraft magazines to hand out. Milt also contributed his old issues of model aircraft magazines. Leo contributed a few magazines and catalogs as well. Leo also brought along an R/C airplane, a tether remote-controlled Hirobo Lama helicopter and a board display to simulate the workings of an R/C aircraft for the students to get some hands-on feel for the hobby.

During the two hour morning session, the catalogs and magazines were all taken before that session was even over. And the students really seemed to enjoy trying their hand at working the controls for the display board simulation of an R/C airplane. Often there were a half dozen students watching or

waiting to work the transmitter for the board display.

There was about an hour and a half lunch break where the Community Center treated the craft and hobby exhibitors to a hot lunch and the batteries for the R/C board display got recharged.

The afternoon session ran for an hour and a half with a continued large draw to our club's booth and a couple of flying demos by Leo with the Hirobo Lama Helicopter. Leo had a number of offers from students to fly the helicopter but wisely limited their hands-on participation to the display board simulator.

Pam Loidolt, the Senior Center Director, said our R/C display was quite popular and the flying of the Lama Helicopter was a real show stopper. She thought that this year's hobby presentation was the most successful of any they have done in the 14 years that it has been held.

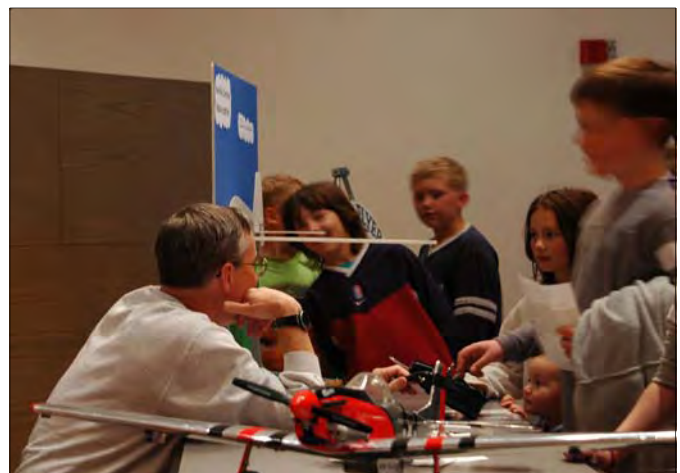


Above Left: Leo, Milt & Al demonstrating controls.

Above Right: An overview of the kids attending.

Below Left: This years display.

Below Right: The kids enjoying the prop wash.



Monticello Walk & Roll

On Saturday, May 21st, the WFRC Club was invited to be one of about 50 community organizations to promote themselves with a booth along the city path between the hospital and Pioneer Park south of the school campus. The event was scheduled to run from 9 AM to noon but a steady rain for most of the morning caused the event coordinator to truncate the walk and roll portion along the designated path. WFRC club members John Kossieck, Garth Landefeld and Leo Davids gamely tried to set up a booth with John's van as headquarters. After about an hour of rain and wind with a dozen hearty walk & rollers stopping by, we decided that the event wasn't doing well enough to stick it out until the end. The event coordinators offered that we could move to Pioneer Park and try to display there while the event held their drawings for prizes that were advertised to be given away. Because our aircraft displays were not all that easy to maintain in the wind and rain, we decided to just fold up and call it a day. Thanks to John, Garth and Leo for showing up for what has, in previous years, been a good venue for publicizing our club.

Coming Events

Pattern Contest - The Anoka County R/C Club is hosting a pattern aircraft contest on Saturday June 11th starting at 10 AM. The contest will start at 10 AM and the CD is Brian Dorff.

RVF Electric Fun Fly & Swap Meet - The River Valley Flyers R/C club is hosting their annual electric fun fly on June 11th & 12th at their field near Wisconsin Rapids. The event is AMA sanctioned thus requires AMA membership. The CD is Richard Ida ((715) 325-5309) and more information can be found at their web site www.rivervalleyflyers.com.

TCRC Electric Fly - The Twin Cities RC club is hosting their 3rd annual electric fly on Saturday June 18th at their Jordan field. The event starts at 10 AM and is open to any AMA member. The CD is Gerry Dunne.

MARCEE All Electric Fly-in - The 3M R/C Club is hosting the annual MARCEE fly-in on June 24th, 25th and 26th at the 3M field in Cottage Grove. This is an AMA sanctioned event requiring AMA membership to participate. Visit the Marcee web site at www.marcee.org for schedule of flying and list of sponsors as well as some of the prizes that will be given away.

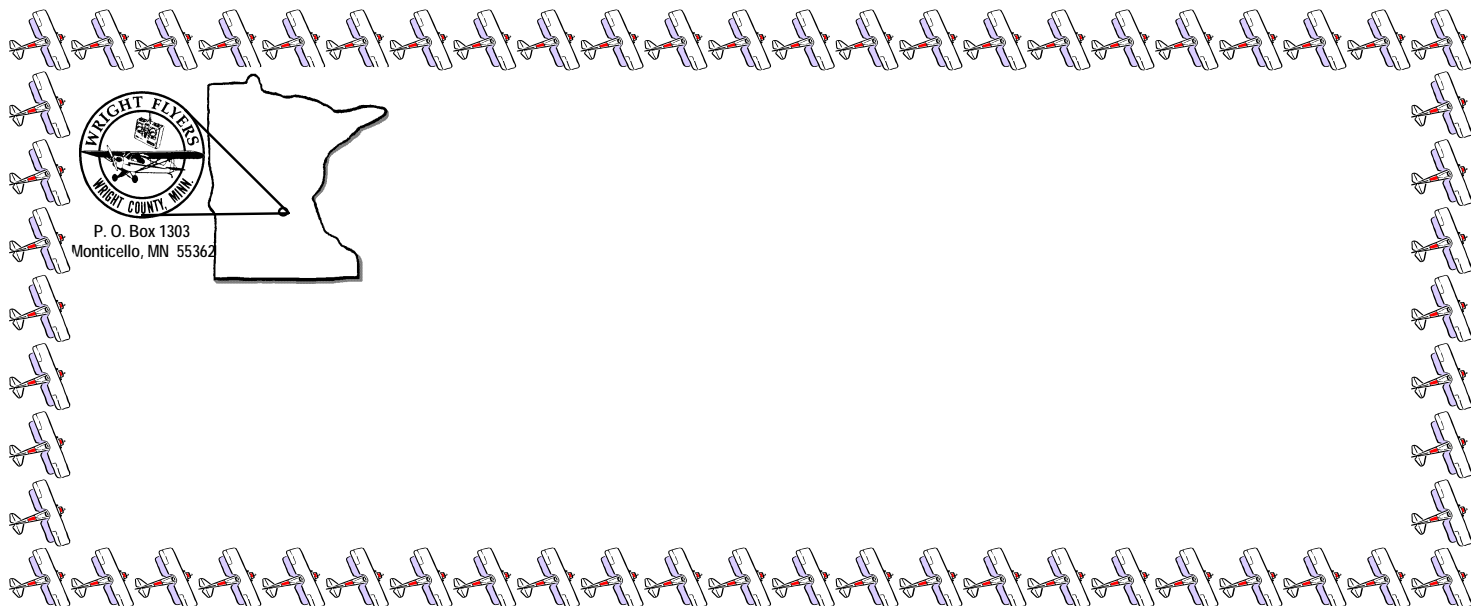
Flying Video

This spring WFRC member John Kossieck bought a Casio Exilim digital camera. It wasn't long before he decided to make an aerial platform to extend the uses of his new camera. He took the simple approach of a profile high-wing electric powered plane which he could quickly build from Blu-core flat foam. John further used his motor building skills to construct an outrunner brushless motor of suitable performance to haul his camera plane around.

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Above:
On May 9th, John Kossieck was seen flying at the field. Took the opportunity to take photos of his airplane rigged to shoot video while flying.



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The Casio camera has both still and video capability and the camera's memory card has enough capacity to capture an entire flight in video format. It wasn't long before John had enough video and still picture to make a CD of his farm. A number of club members have seen the CD and John will loan a copy to you if you want to see how much fun it is to use an R/C plane for this purpose.

John has wanted to get some video and stills of our club field at Montissippi park. Early efforts this April were thwarted by camera and battery problems. However, just before the last meeting at the field, John had things working so that he may finally have some nice aerial perspectives of our flying site.

Right: Some more of the action from May 9th flying at the field.

