

St. Clair County R/C Propbusters

Model Aviation Club Goodells, Michigan - A.M.A. Charter Club#1762
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Club Meetings

Second Wednesday of each month, 7:00pm at the Community Center Building, Goodells County Park. Summer- weather permitting meetings are held at the field.

Club Breakfast

First Saturday of each month, 9:00 at Cavis Pioneer Restaurant on Lapeer rd. West of Wadhams rd. Flying afterwards

Come and join us!

Club Meetings and Breakfast are open to everyone, if you are an experienced pilot, or just thinking about getting into R/C, Come check us out.

The Propbusters R/C flying Club is located at the Goodells County Park, 8345 County Park Drive, Goodells MI 48027. The flying field is just West of Castor rd. -off the parks East parking lot . *The general location of the park is South of Lapeer rd. -about 10 miles West of Port Huron.*

42° 59' 02" N - 82° 39' 02" W

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Editor: Ed Olszewski

June 23, 2010

President's Perspective

From Sheila Olszewski

Gary Wilkerson brought it to my attention I forgot to thank Dave Kilby in my column for his donation of a paint brush at our clean up last month, it was an unintentional omission. Thanks Dave! Unfortunately due to the threatening weather for the following couple days, we did not get to use it yet, but the benches and tables will get painted.

John Diver has set up mowing teams for field maintenance, complete with color coordinated names for the teams- Red and Blue. A gold star for John. They plan on mowing Thursday mornings until about noon. Remember club rules call for no flying while the field (runway) is being mowed for obvious safety reasons.

The day turned out great once again for the Eddy Elementary school flying demonstration. The Kids and everyone involved had a great time. It is great to see the Eagles and Propbusters get together to do events like this. Speaking of the Eagles, Gary W. informed me they have found a new location for their field near Dove rd and I-94. The land has to be dozed, leveled, entry road cut, and grass will be planted soon. It will take the rest of the year to make it flyable, we wish them well.

In a last minute request from Yale schools, Ed London, Jack DeLisle, John Diver and Bill Lawson got together to put on a demonstration for kids having a field day at the park. Great job guys!

Bill Echlin has made up and donated "flight line" signs. He posted them along the flight line. They look great, Thank You Bill!

Our first big flying event of the year was last Saturday and went great, although a little windy- but at least the rain passed us by. I suspect the threat of winds and inclement weather kept a lot of pilots home, we had a much smaller showing of pilots than usual, however we did have a pretty good turnout of spectators. In fact a lot of people stayed until mid afternoon when the last few pilots finally packed it in for the day. A reporter and photographer from the Times Herald were on hand, and we got a nice write up on the front page of the second section. We took in \$196.00 between raffle and water/food donations, not a bad showing at all. A special thanks to Jack DeLisle, John Diver, Dan Mackey, Mike Leusby, John Neil, Bud Joachim, John Joachim, and Al Fournier for all their help, and everyone who came out with aircraft to show and fly.

Remember our Bi-Plane Rally, 4-H Demo, and club Picnic is this month.

Get out to the field and go flying! -Sheila



Meeting Minutes

June 9, 2010

Submitted By: Doug Donner Jr. Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by Sheila with (10) members and (1) guests present (Daniel Donner). A motion was made by Gary S./Bill E to accept the secretary's report as read by Doug Jr. Motion passed. A motion was made by Gary S./Doug Sr. to accept the treasurer's report as read by Ed O. Motion passed.

Old business:

Field Clean-up Day

- Went well
- tables still need to be scraped and painted
- A big thanks to everyone that came out

Inter club Fun Fly

- Have some prizes, but more are coming
- Ed L/AI – made a motion to spend up to \$150.00 to purchase a raffle prize if needed.
- To date, there is still no food vendor, but Shelia is still trying
- Bud Joachim is donating candy and will do the candy drop

Eddy Elementary School Event

- Went well. The kids had a good time

SMAC Swap

- had a good turnout
- Gary S spent some time in the air

BMX Races

- No problems were heard of

Lawn Teams

Red Team

Leader: John Neil, Assistant: Bill Echlin

Blue Team

Leader: Jack Delisle, Assistant: Dan Mackie

Tractor Status

- Tractor tires are loaded
- Cost was \$150.00
- Carb was rebuilt on the Woods and it works pretty well

New business:

Static display in Port Huron

- to be held in July. more information to come

Yale Public Schools Ed day at Goodells Park

June 14th at 9AM

- looking for people to come to field to talk about R/C Airplanes

Dirt

- Sheila rcv'd a call from Matt of the park
- they are going to fill in the holes (duck ponds) and drop dirt on both sides of the driveway
- people will be needed to come out and spread the dirt
- we should get a couple of days notice.

Motion to close was made by Gary S/Ed. Meeting adjourned @ 7:32PM.

A message from John Diver

John DIVER here

I thought that I would input what is happening with the Goodles International Airport (Field Maintenance). The field is looking good!!! And that is a positive for the whole club. I think that we are getting a handle on the keeping it up and that has also been a positive. What Ed London and Tom Nichols has done in past years has provided a guide that cannot be duplicated and they must be recognized as the standard for our field maintenance.

We have set up two teams to do the upkeep on the field. At this time we have two guys per team and plan to change off the duties of mowing and trimming every other week. If anyone has the time, come join the teams.

The people that have come forth for the betterment of all is as follows:

Red Team --

John Neil – Team leader, Bill Echlin – Assistant Team Leader

Blue Team --

Jack Delisle – Team Leader, Dan Mackie – Assistant team Leader

Maintenance coordinator - John Diver

If you have any suggestions or complaints on the condition of the field please contact John Diver at 810 395 8458 and he will try to make it right or at least listen to what you have to say. Also, remember the club meets once a month on the second Wednesday, and that is a good time to bring up your thoughts on any subject.

St. Clair County Propbusters

Financial Report Summary

Reported: June 9, 2010 By Ed Olszewski

Beginning balance:	\$2394.89
Equipment Fund	<u>\$1600.87</u>
Total	\$3995.76

Income:

Dues	\$ 100.00
Total	\$ 100.00

Expenditures:

gas and oil	\$ 87.99
Stamps/bungees/keys	\$ 26.40
flat tire	<u>\$ 95.00</u>
Total	\$ 209.39

Ending Balance:	\$2380.50
Equipment Fund:	<u>\$1505.87</u>
Grand Total:	\$3886.37

So Long Engines

By Jack DeLisle



Hello motors

Pictured above is an Outrunner electric motor and I am now flying two planes using that type of power to move them around on the ground and in the air.

The Park Zone T-28 from Horizon Hobbies has many flights on it over the fifteen months I have had it and the motor just keeps on running with never an adjustment to the carb. because it doesn't have one.



I do have to charge the batteries after about a ten minutes flight on each but I have never had a dead stick landing because I had run out of fuel and the engine went lean and died.

Earlier in the electric game I have had and flown planes that flew fine for a few minutes and most needed to be hand launched but that is a thing of the past since outrunner motors and high power density batteries like Lithium Polymers became available and affordable.

I had two gallons of fuel and used about two thirds of one before I donated part of a finger to the propeller gods and told Nancy (wife type) that I wouldn't use "wet" engines and definitely would offer only advice if a fellow R/C flier needed help on his bulky engine and the fuel that's left is going on the for sale market along with the flight box, electric starter, glow plugs, four cycle feeler gauges for valve adjustment and whatever else I don't need to fly electric powered airplanes.

Not to say that propellers driven by electric motors are safer then one driven by a "wet" engine because they will slice and dice just as easily. Maybe even easier because an electric motor will cut and keep right on running whereas a wet engine might stall? But , once a motor controller is programmed for the motor there is no reason to get anywhere near it.

The controllers I have are programmed at the factory so the motor won't run unless the transmitters throttle is off and setting the controller up the first time is done without a prop to make sure the motor is running in the right direction and, at least for me, I have never seen one run accidentally but I stay away from the prop anyway. No need to go there,eh!!!!

So with the new ready for electric ARF's, new batteries, new motors and spread spectrum radios the future is now so you might think about all the nice things they bring to the sport / hobby and go electric. Don't wait till you are injured like I did.



Hosting The Kids

By Jack DeLisle

How about this. Monday, June the 14th dawned and the sun forgot to come out but the grey clouds never built into rain and by 9:00 AM Ed London, John Diver, Bill Lawson and yours truly had the planes and helicopter assembled and the first group of students from Emmett were coming in right on time.



The students were the first through fifth grades and the five, or was it six, groups had about 20 members each so the Propbusters educated and entertained at least 100 kids.

Ed London was the Master of

Ceremonies as it were and he suggested that we would bring each group onto the flight line and Show them how and why a plane flies, the different types of planes such as monoplanes, biplanes and even Ed's Fokker triplane made famous by the Red Baron of WW I fame.

Ed directed them to me and I showed them my Electric Reactor and what powered it and how the price of flying electric planes has come way down and then I directed them to Bill Lawson and he had his chopper turned on and operated the controls to show the mhow one flies and answered some intelligent questions.

Ed asked each group who was the first person to pilot a successful heavier than air machine and I think two kids in all of the groups knew the right answer, the Wright Brothers. Actually, John Diver had the right answer because it was Wilber Wright as the plane could only handle one person at a time. Most of the wrong answers were for one pilot and that was given by girls. Amelia Earhart. A little later in the program that led me to tell the girls in a group that

the President of the Propbusters was a girl, Sheila Olszewski, and that brightened up a bunch of eyes in future expectations I bet.

As each group got settled in behind the chain link fence and most seated on the bleachers we got to fly our planes and chopper.

Ed flew Johns Telemaster a few times along with his little Ultimate Bipe and his quarter scale Piper Cub. Ed said that if had known the weather would be so kind he would have had his Snoopy Dog House and his Fokker ready to fly because the kids were awed by those two planes. Ed did get to do a couple of dead stick landings. One was out in the weeds because it quit to far out to make it back but his Cub had great timing and he put it down right in front of the audience. On Purpose ????

I got to fly my Reactor four times with two five minute flights on a battery and had enough for another five minutes on each but I also had the T-28 foamy so I finished out the day flying that.

Bill flew his chopper for each group and it looked great. Especially the flying back words, hammer heads and , for lack of a name, horizontal pivots. According to the cheering of the kids, Bill won the flying demos hands down.

Mr. Wilson, Principle of the school, Told us what each grade toured during the school year with the county park being the closing event for all of the classes and he sounded like our hosting the kids could be an annual event. That would be nice for the Propbusters wouldn't it.



Interclub Invitational Rally

By Jack DeLisle

On Saturday, June the 19th, the Propbusters held their annual interclub fly in and it was a moderate success.

I say moderate because the threat of winds , which didn't happen, evidently kept some clubs and flyers away.



If you look closely you will see that our esteemed club treasurer and newsletter editor, Mr. Ed, has a big roll of raffle tickets and a big smile on his face because he won a really nice Orange and Black fleece jacket I had my eye and money on. Actually the smile is more like a horse laugh on me!

The thing is I put all my raffle money in the one bag for the jacket and missed out on some really nice prizes. I plan on getting back on Mr. Ed next year. I'll find out what prize he really likes and I'll load up that bag with my tickets.



Bleacher full of spectators

Lets talk about the fly-in. When I said the event was a moderate success instead of a great success was that the spectators were not here in great numbers but did keep the bleachers full through out the day.

They enjoyed the show because the pilots had planes in the air for the whole event and didn't let them get bored.

From Chris Ryan flying his fast electric ducted fan F-86 Saber to Bill Lawson flying his helicopter, Jack Drake his beautiful Chipmunk , Gary Smedes and his You-Can-Do and I



Chris Ryan

even got to fly my new electric powered Escapade to keep something in the air throughout the whole show.

Not only did the flyers keep the chopper and planes in the air, Bud Joachim did his thing again this year and candy bombed the kids from spectator row. This time his son, John, was the bombardier.

It was not all roses because Dennis Bigger from the Sanilac Model Airplane Club



Kids running out to get their share of sweets, The little one trailing got some too.

(S.M.A.C) was flying his really nice SNR and it seemed "doggy" in the air and when he did a slow downwind turn the plane quit flying and fell in from maybe 25 feet.

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This picture was published in the Port Huron Times Herald but I'll bet Dennis would rather it didn't happen.

Norm Hurren and Dennis

As you can see, John Joachim had the winning Red raffle ticket. Each pilot was given one and at the end of the day John did come up smelling like a

Rose. Sheila is sending the picture of John and his \$100 gift certificate to the people in the hopes that they will repeat the gift next year. Another reason to get your 2011 calendar out and make our Invitational a must do.



John Joachim and his \$100

The preceding photo shows the west half of the flight line and the spectators filing out to get a close up and personal look at the planes and to ask the pilots any questions they had about the planes and our sport /hobby.

I know that Mr. Ed talked to a teen that was asking what he should have to get into R/C flying and Ed showed him the electric foamy trainer that Sheila uses and I have a hunch that we gained some new blood today.



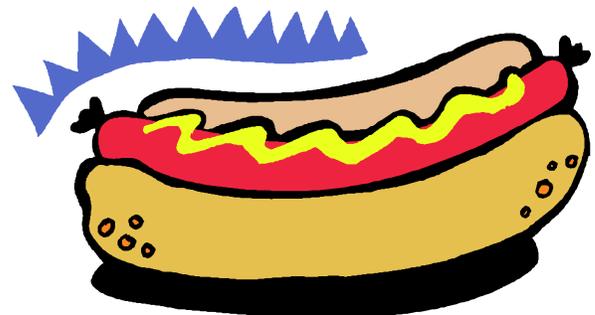
I had to show you a photo of John Diver because he spent the whole day selling raffle tickets.

I have to tell you about the great Hot Dogs and I'd love to tell you who did the grilling but I can't. I think

Dan Mackey was one so I'll throw his name out and if I'm wrong I bet I'll get educated shortly after this newsletter goes out.

Because the Saint Clair County Health Department makes it very hard to sell Hamburgers, Chili Dogs or whatever because they require running water and refrigeration and a permit Sheila has lined up a vendor for future events.

In the meantime, the club can cook hotdogs for club members only so the grill was fired up and the dogs were shortly being gobbled up by the club members. Actually, most donated a buck or so it all works out.



Announcements & Events

July	
3-Club Breakfast	9:00 AM
10-Bi Plane Rally	9:00 AM
14-Club meeting	7:00 PM
17-East Wings fly in	10:00AM
31- 4-H Fair R/C Demo	10:00AM
August	
7-Club Breakfast	9:00 AM
11-Club meeting	7:00 PM
15- Propbusters @ SMAC	10:00AM
September	
4-Club Breakfast	9:00 AM
8-Club meeting	7:00 PM
11-R/C For Charity Fly In	10:00AM
12-Whirlybirds Fly	10:00AM
12- Propbusters @ SMAC	10:00AM

A full list of events are on our website
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2010 Propbusters Special Events

June 19	Inter-Club Fly In
July 10	Bi-Plane Rally
July 31	4-H Fair R/C Demo
September 11	R/C For Charity Fly In
September 12	Whirlybirds Fly
December 5	Propbusters Swap

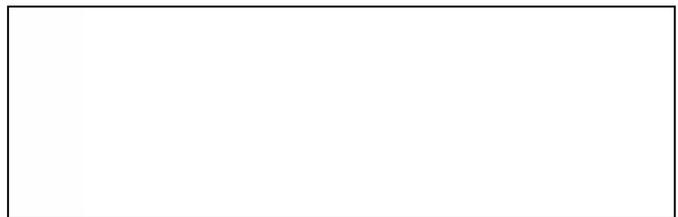
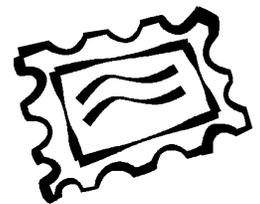
Our Bi-Plane rally on July 10th. There will not be a raffle, a crowd of spectators, or any other foo-for-rah, but there will be flying. Bring your Bi-Plane, War-Bird, or any other hangar queen you have and show it off with the rest of us. A cookout may arise.

July 31 if the 4-H Demo at 12:00, followed by our club picnic at about noon. Everyone is welcome! Bring a dish to pass, but don't worry if you forget, there is always plenty to go around. The club will supply the sausage and/or burgers and/or dogs and water- you get the idea.



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