



Issue # 4

Belleville RC Flyer's Newsletter

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April Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Club President Dave Fannin at Eckert's restaurant on Tuesday, 8 April, 2014 at 7:07 pm. There were 14 members present. The President called for a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as outlined in the March Newsletter. The motion was seconded and passed by the membership.

Club Operation Reports

TREASURER: Club Treasurer Dan Arens reported on the Club's financial status. Currently, we have 55 active dues paying members. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report. The attending members passed the Treasurer's Report as read.

CORRESPONDENCE: President Fannin discussed a notice passed to him from Club member Darwin Evelsizer regarding the Midwest Air Wing's list of flying activities for the summer season. This list was passed to our Web Master for use on our web page

FIELD MAINTENANCE: Club member Jeff Paul filled in for Field Maintenance Manager George Hoff who was out of town on business, regarding a detailed list of activities to be accomplished during our flying field work day this coming Saturday (12 April) at 8 am. First on the list is a thorough pick-up of debris that is scattered over the surface. This is essential before we go over the surface with a heavy roller. We will be painting posts and benches that are needing and replacing some posts that have been broken. We will be securing the fencing on our pilot positions and hopefully we will be able to rehab and paint the flight stands. George and Jeff have already put down fertilizer

and pre-immersent chemicals. There has been extensive mole damage at both ends of the field and George is currently working on eradicating this menace to our flying activities. Also, we are hoping to receive a load of wood chips for the floor area of our flight shed. Following the work effort there will be a cook-out consisting of hot dogs and hamburgers plus condiments. If you wish to bring a special dish to share with fellow Club members, it would be appreciated. Don't forget to bring your own drinks.

SAFETY: Club member Ralph Miller provided a safety briefing from Hitec regarding their servos:

USING A THREAD LOCKING COMPOUND ON KARBONITE GEAR SERVOS WILL CAUSE THE PLASTIC TO FAIL.

" It has come to the attention of the Hitec Product Service Department that some customers owning Hitec's KARBONITE gear servos are using thread locking compounds on the servo horn screws. Thread locking compounds such as the popular Locktite™ brand, are for use with METAL to METAL fasteners.

Thread locking compound instructions typically warn against their use on plastics, as most plastic material will become brittle and shatter. If you or any of your friends have used thread locking compounds on plastic / KARBONITE geared servos, please cease using them immediately and contact a Hitec dealer for a replacement gear set."

President Fannin added ..."let us never forget that in our hobby, the greatest cause of pain and physical damage is done by the lowly propeller which is the most important technical instrument in our hobby...so be careful."

TRAINING: Dan Arens has been working with Club member Mark Goeddel who has acquired a new high wing trainer from Great Planes. They are in the process of running in the new engine and checking the flight characteristics of this new aircraft. Mark is close to SOLO flight. Any of our Club members who need help sorting out their flight skills or working with new models should contact one of our training officers for help.

WEB PAGE: Web Master Bill Eischeid discussed the financial situation with our web page. The cost for the Domain Name is paid on a five year cycle and is not currently due but the cost for our Web Host..."Go Daddy" is accrued every two years and is currently due. A motion was made and seconded by attending Club members to disperse funds for this activity.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: President Fannin told the attending Club members about Club member Dick Wilson who at the moment is very seriously ill. Club member Larry Dawson has spoken with Dick's son who is very worried about his father's current situation and he mentioned to Larry that his

father won't be able to carry on with his mowing of our flying field this summer.

The Club is very worried about Dick's health and wish him a speedy recovery. To ease the burden on both Dick and the Club...Jeff Wehrle has volunteered to take on the mowing task.

NEW MEMBERS: The Club has voted in Paul Schuessler as a new member of our Club. Paul, we all look forward to meeting you and seeing you out at our flying field. Also, Ralph Miller would like a picture for our gallery of Club Members on our web page.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

In Memoriam

Please extend your kindness in thought and feelings for fellow Club members John Burnworth and George Hoff who have recently lost their Mothers, Dolores and Dorothy.



Dolores
Burnworth

Dorothy
Hoff

ATTENDANCE PRIZE: The 50/50 prize this month was won by Jeff Paul and the good guy that he is, he donated the winnings back to the Club. Thanks Jeff.

NEXT MEETING: Our next meeting will be held out at our flying field...the restaurant tenure is over until the month of October. So, we will see you at the flight field on May 13th at 7 pm.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:35 pm

IT'S VIDEO TIME

For all of us who have designed, built and flown U-control and RC models...think what it would be like to actually build a flying replica aircraft. Jim Moss is one of those individuals who took on the production of the Gee Bee Q.E.D. Sadly Jim passed away from throat cancer after having part of his tongue removed. Here is a series of videos on the building and flying of his Gee Bee Q.E.D.

The history and building of the Q.E.D. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PnnSb1QYFMk>

A Low pass over the field <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UM2ytwUbjHQ>

Landing the Gee Bee Q.E.D. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6fXiPnhv2r8>

Don't miss this special tribute to Jim Moss and his Gee Bee Q.E.D. by the Experimental Aircraft Association

http://airventure.org/news/2014/140212_gee-bee-qed-to-appear-at-eaa-airventure-oshkosh.html

A giant scale RC Gee Bee with a 160cc radial engine <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O8Y7IRNiRU0>

HOPE YOU ENJOYED THE VIDEOS...SEE YOU AT OUR FLYING FIELD WORK DAY...R. Miller