

## St. Clair County R/C Propbusters

Model Aviation Club Goodells, Michigan - A.M.A. Charter Club#1762  
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# The Broken Prop



### 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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**2010 Membership: 53**

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## President's Perspective

*From Sheila Olszewski*

Any one who has stuck their head out the door has probably noticed the nice weather we have been having. The field is mostly dried out, and the drive is firm. There has been quite a few pilots coming out of winter hibernation, running some fuel through their engines and getting some airtime.

Everybody who knows me knows I worry a lot about safety, but it is only because I don't like to see friends get hurt. With the onset of flying season, here are some thoughts. Accidents normally are not a stupid thing, but rather just letting your guard down and doing something you know you shouldn't do. Most often they happen to guys who are normally very safe, but for just one second, make that one little exception.

Every R/C airplane hand cut I have ever heard of involves a running engine either in need of adjustment or removal of glow plug, and the hand where it should not have been. Avoid reaching around a prop from the front of the motor to deal with a running engine, go around to the back of the plane, or shut it off.

An Airplane restraint is mandatory at the Propbusters field while starting gas or glow engines. An engine can, and eventually will start at high rpm and then real bad things will happen.

The land to the East of our field is under lease to members of the farm museum, and is accessed by a path to the North of our field. Occasionally there will be tractors traversing the path and working that field, especially planting in the spring and harvesting in the fall. AMA mandates that we do not fly over people for obvious safety reasons, the people operating that equipment also request the same. Be sure you know you can control your aircraft well enough to stay clear of them before taking off, or wait until they are finished. Be especially careful when flying while the BMX track is in use. Occasionally young bikers will come over to watch, be sure they do not wander onto the field, and into an accident with an aircraft.

Lastly, pay close attention to the fence on the West end of the field, it is our flight boundary. Depth perception is a funny thing, the hardest place to judge it is on the flight line. Airplanes appear closer than they are. Odds are a person further back has a better vantage point to judge if your plane is flying out of bounds. If someone says you are to far out, don't argue, don't make excuses, just listen to them and make your turn sooner.

See you at the field! – Sheila



**Meeting Minutes**

April 14, 2010

**Submitted By: Doug Donner Jr. Secretary**

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 PM by Sheila with (9) members and (1) guests present (Daniel Donner). A motion was made by Gary S/John D to accept the secretary's report as read by Doug Jr. Motion passed. A motion was made by Shelia / Gary S. to accept the treasurer's report as read by Ed O. Motion passed.

**Old business:**

The late fee for membership renewals was reinstated on April 1

Toledo Show. Reports from members present said it was well attended

Field Clean-up Day. Scheduled for May 15th

There was a discussion about the items in the bull pen. a notice will be posted in the newsletter to notify everyone that may have stuff in the bull pen

John D mentioned the large hole dug by the park and asked if it can be filled in.

The safety line on the south side of the field needs to be checked. Some of the posts are in bad shape.

The canopy needs new bungee cords

pick-nick tables need painting

clean-up the snow fence behind the information board, south of the drive way

Gary S/Doug Sr. made a motion to allocate up to \$200.00 for paint and supplies for clean-up day – motion passed

**New business:**

Tractor update:

Duck is up and running (John D rolled the field)

the woods was started, but is locked up and can't get out of the shed

Note: the mowers need to be blocked up off the ground next winter

Fun-Fly Scheduled for June 19th

Letters were sent out got responses back from Master Air Screw and Balsa USA

Ed O volunteered to make up the flyer

Bill Kilby gave the club a coupon for 100 free copies

Sheila will contact the food vendor and Bud about the candy drop

Eagles Flying Field

Eagles have lost their field and are looking for a new location

After discussion, a motion was drafted with input from members present to be issued to the Eagles club:

"Any current Eagles club member, as of April 14, 2010, may come fly as a guest at the Propbuster's field as long as they are with a Propbusters member, until December 31, 2010. All Propbuster's club rules

apply and AMA membership is required" it was asked if this motion violated club Bylaws (Article 3, Section 9). General consensus was that it didn't as it was a temporary measure. motion was accepted – 7 for/1 against/1 abstain John D asked if there was going to be a bulk fuel purchase this year – per Sheila, not this year Motion to close was made by Doug Jr. / Gary S Meeting adjourned @ 7:53PM.

*St. Clair County Propbusters*

**Financial Report Summary**

*Reported: April 14, 2010 By Ed Olszewski*

Treasure Report

<b>Beginning balance:</b>	\$2384.33
Equipment Fund	<u>\$1600.87</u>
<b>Total</b>	\$3985.20

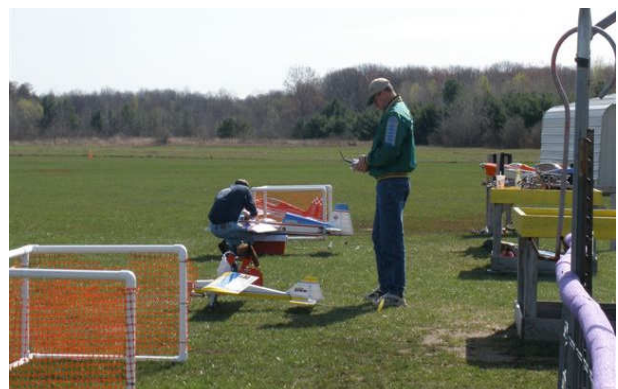
Income:

Dues	\$ 70.00
<b>Total</b>	\$ 70.00

Expenditures:

AMA	\$ 90.00
<b>Total</b>	\$ 90.00

Ending Balance:	\$2364.33
Equipment Fund:	<u>\$1600.87</u>
<b>Grand Total:</b>	<b>\$3965.20</b>



# ELECTRIC



By Jack DeLisle

Since I'm going to 100% electric I now have a use for this nice little Extra 300 that Pat Griffin gave me last summer. This Extra has a 48 inch wingspan and the fuselage is about 32 inches long. I don't weigh stuff but I will say it is light. I will probably end up heavier than the T-28 foamy but with more wing I plane on powering it with the same set-up as the T-28.

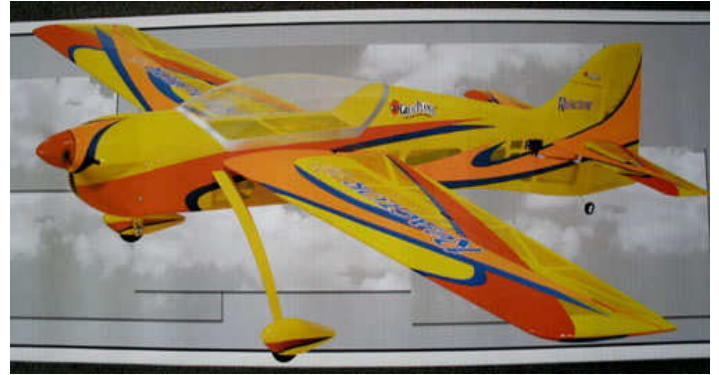
That would be a 25 size outrunner motor, 30 amp controller and a 3 cell 11.1 volt battery. The controller will have a Battery Eliminator Circuit ( BEC ) so no other battery except for the 2,000 MHA main. I will choose one really bigger than needed to handle the load

I have some Yellow, Red and even some Yellow and Black checkerboard plastic covering material and I can almost picture it now. I'll probably buy a roll of Black to go on the bottom surfaces because I don't think there is enough checkerboard.

Talking about the T-28. I have been flying that foamy for a year now and the worst I can say about it is that it had part of my field flight box fall on it be-



cause I took a turn to fast and didn't have the box tied down. It bent one aileron and one side of the horizontal stabilizer. The aileron bent right back into shape and the stab did too but I stuck some fiberglass backed tape to both sides of the stab for stiffeners just in case. Good as new.



## The Reactor

I have a half dozen or so flights on this plane and it's a winner. It's not hard to say that it's a better plane than I am a pilot.

Thanks to Ed Olszewski I have the right equipment in this plane and it's a joy to fly any maneuver I can tell it to do.

Knife edges? Till the sun goes down. Knife edge loop? I gotta get a bit more time on the sticks but when I move the CG back just a bit.....The rolls are like on a string and as fast as most fliers will want and faster. Inside and outside loops? No problem. Spins? Just release the sticks and no more spin. Snaps are the same and I can actually stop at one too.

I'm practicing the rolling circle and the last couple I did weren't to shabby but needs some trimming adjustments on the ailerons and elevators so I am comfortable with them and don't have to think to much.

I'm going to dump this on Ed for the particulars on what I have in the plane. I'll just say the outrunner motor is a Scorpion Competition Series and puts out the same power as a Saito 72 four stroke, an 85 amp controller and 4,000 MHA 6 cell ( 22.2 V ) battery. Both controller and battery are Hobby King Turnigy brand. Hobby King is in Hong Kong and hard to beat price wise but slow in delivery but worth the wait I think.

-Jack DeLisle

## Announcements & Events

### April

24/25- NAMES show [www.modelengineeringsoc.com](http://www.modelengineeringsoc.com)

### May

1-Club Breakfast 9:00 AM  
 12-Club meeting 7:00 PM  
 15-Field cleanup 9:00 AM

### June

4-Eddy School kids 9:30 AM  
 5-SMAC fly in/Swap 10:00AM  
 5-Club Breakfast 9:00 AM  
 9-Club meeting 7:00 PM  
 19-Inter-Club Fly In 9:00 AM

### 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

A full list of events are on our website  
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**Bullpen Cleanup:** On field cleanup day, the bullpen will be emptied of everything except the outhouse and all will be disposed of. If there are items you feel that you have claim to, contact Sheila before May 7, and remove those items. All items left in the area will be deemed to have no value, and disposed of.

What do you get when  
 you cross an Extra  
 with an Edge?



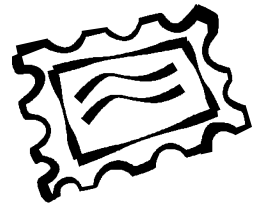
An Extra large  
 pile of balsa  
 wood.  
 Maybe two...

### 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

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