

The Broken Prop



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Meeting Schedule:

Second Wednesday each
month at the Community
Center Building, Goodells Park,
6:00 pm.

Please try to attend the
meetings if you can. It's a
great way to stay in touch with
what is going on in your club.

www.**SCCPROPBUSTERS**.com

President's Perspective

Hello again. This past month has been a big month for the club. At our last meeting the topic was brought up again on the purchase of a (size) shed that will double as storage for our lawn care equipment and new frequency board / radio impound. The club definitely has the funds to purchase such an item and would be a good investment for the club in the long run. This will be one of the key topics at this month's meeting.

Our lease was extended and not renewed. The park will not renew the lease until their mileage passes in August. After that we will be renewing the lease for 6 years. For now we have submitted a letter requesting a "lease extension" to extend our current lease for the remainder of the year. This does not affect the use of our field in any way, so use the field as you always have.

With spring fast approaching we must remember that our driveway is soft. The gates will be locked until the ground firms. If you do choose to fly at the field when the gates are locked and you don't want to carry your equipment to our flight stations, please be aware of where you are flying. All boundaries will be respected when you are flying at the west end of the field.

Well I purchased a new BIG airplane and have been working on it trying to get the Cap 232 ready for the new flying season.



I will be purchasing all my servos, extensions, battery's, switches and another smoke pump at the Toledo Show coming up on April 2nd, 3rd, and 4th.

See www.toledoshow.com for more information.

Hope to see you at the meeting!

EVENTS CALENDAR

MARCH

10th - Propbusters Club meeting
12th - Birchwood Sports Dome Electric Fly
13th & 14th - RCCD - Mall Show - Gratiot @
Masonic in Roseville. Mike Pavlock (586)
716-1854

APRIL

2-3-4 - **Toledo R/C Exposition**
www.toledoshow.com
14th - Propbusters Club meeting

MAY

12th - Propbusters Club meeting
22nd - SMAC - Swap meet 10am Croswell @
Arnold's Airport

JUNE

9th - Propbusters Club meeting
19th - **Propbusters Fun Fly 10:00 am**

JULY

14th - Propbusters Club meeting
31st & Aug 1st - RCCD - 2nd Annual
Precision Pattern Contest

AUGUST

7th - **4H Fair Demo Fun Fly & Propbusters**
club Picnic 9:30 am
11th - Propbusters Club meeting

SEPTEMBER

4th - **Propbusters** Charity Fun Fly 9:30 am
8th - Propbusters Club meeting

OCTOBER

13th - Propbusters Club meeting
All events are open to other clubs to
participate and are more than welcome to
come out and support the hobby of R/C flying.

(If anyone knows of any other clubs' events,
let me know so I can get them in here.)

Indoor Electric Flying

Oakland Yard Dome has indoor electric flying
from 9pm to 1am every other Saturday.
Address is 5328 Highland Road, East of the
airport. (248) 673-0100

March 6th and 20th
April 3rd and 17th
www.oaklandyard.com

February Meeting

Meeting started at 6:05 pm with 9 members present.
The secretary and treasurer reports were read and
accepted with a motion passing to pay bills.

The Lease will be taken care of next week.
We need the field access way plowed. Todd will call
someone.

Changing the combination to the locks was brought up.
The combination needs to be rolled when the locks are
open to keep the combination more secure.

A suggestion was made to put an extra lock box inside
the frequency board to hold valuables, like a training
radio. Of course we also need a training radio and cord.
The box is tabled until we have something to secure.

The need for a frequency scanner was brought up.
We never heard back about the frequency scanner
price. Tom Pierce had tested our field for frequency use
before.

We talked about getting an outdoor shed at the field. For
\$800 we could get one that has no walls, but walls could
be built using chain-link fence attached to the side. We
could put plywood to the fencing during the winter to
protect the contents. Ed will get information on prices to
bring to the next meeting. Eagles could get it cheaper for
us.

Greg Feyers is our contact for the driveway gravel. Todd
is going to contact Greg to schedule the day.

We need to find out the status from Rob about the 10%
discount on field improvements from AMA.

Todd talked to Ian who will provide the sound system for
our fun fly. We still need to line up someone to do the
candy drop.

Eagles are having a fuel purchase again. The pricing will
be sent with the newsletter. Pay first and order as a club.
The order is due by April 6th.

We should have a sign at the field telling where there's a
phone with good directions to provide the EMS when
you call to report something.

Jim McDonald is an Eagle who has joined our club and
was at the meeting. Welcome Jim.

We discussed changing our charity this year to
something other than Toys For Tots, like Dare or MADD
(who weren't available last year). We will bring some
more ideas on the charity to the next meeting.

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Financial Report

Beginning Balance **\$1,777.42**

Income Expenses

Postage/Newsletter \$ 42.89
Total Expenses **\$ 42.89**

Ending Balance

Checking \$1,734.53
Cash on Hand \$ 0.00
Grand Total \$1,734.53

Current Membership

Junior	5
Senior	6
Lifetime	4
Regular	20
Total	35

Birchwood Sports Dome Electric Fly

Got nothing to do on Friday night? Come out and watch the guys flying their electric planes at the Birchwood Dome. Or better yet, make your own and bring it out.

Ron told me he made his in about 5 minutes.



For \$15 you can fly from 8 pm to 11 pm. The next flying is Friday March 12th.

If you have some time on hands and a fairly good Internet connection, check out the video from the last Electric Fly. The video is 18 megs and lasts 42 minutes. You can download it from our web site:

www.sccpropbusters.com

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February Meeting (continued)

A suggestion was made to put a logbook again in the frequency board. This would require pilots to always open the frequency board, even when no one else is there to sign in.

Kirk is making a set of lexan snow skis 40 and 60 size for the airplane. Call him if you'd like a set for \$10 (that's \$20 cheaper than you could get anywhere else).

Todd and I are going to redesign the website. TimeTrak systems (my workplace) has volunteered web space for me to use to supplement the website. We had 417 people download the newsletter in January and 80 download the Feb newsletter between Monday and Wednesday.

Ed will buy a new lockbox and hand stamp by the next meeting.

Sheila/Kirk made motion to close meeting at 7:09 pm.



Field as of Sunday February 29th.
The snow should be gone by now.



Birchwood Dome Electric Fly (continued)

Here are some pictures from February 27th.



Redline Racing

There's a video on the web site of the final race from February 29th. Most racers had left or couldn't race, but it's still interesting to watch. The movie is about 5 minutes but it's 77 megs. Sorry about the size. I'll bring a different camera next time.

Redline Racing

Have you watched these guys tear up the track inside the Exhibition Hall out at the park? They race indoor electrics starting at noon with an 11:30 registration every other Sunday. Next race day is March 14th. Here are some pictures from February 29th.



The guys have a computerized tracking system now too. You can see the results from the races on the web.



S.C.C. R/C Propbusters
BULK FUEL PURCHASE

Order Form

ALL ARE CASE PRICES, BASED ON BULK BUY, CASE ONLY, INCLUDING 6% MICHIGAN TAX

Pre paid orders only are due no later than **March 31.**

Make checks payable to: **SCC R/C Propbusters. Please use this form for your order.**

Please send check with order to:

Ed Olszewski
7147 Main.
Smiths Creek MI 48074

You will be notified when order comes in and where to pick it up.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE #: _____

E-MAIL: _____

Note: Prices may be subject to change, due to changes in freight charges.

	<u>Type</u>	<u>Effective Gallon Price</u>	<u>Price Per Case</u>		<u>No. of Cases ordered</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>COOL POWER</u>						
Morgan's	10%	(11.20)	44.79	X	_____ =	_____.
Total synthetic fuel for use in engines with rings.	15%	(12.17)	48.68	X	_____ =	_____.
	4CYL.	(12.26)	49.03	X	_____ =	_____.
	30%HELI	(19.75)	78.97	X	_____ =	_____.
<u>OMEGA</u>						
Castor / Synthetic blend for all engines	15%	(12.13)	48.50	X	_____ =	_____.
	4CYL.	(12.59)	50.35	X	_____ =	_____.
<u>BYRON</u>						
	15%	(13.39)	53.53	X	_____ =	_____.
	4CYL.	(13.39)	53.53	X	_____ =	_____.

For more fuel info visit the web:
<http://www.morganfuel.com/modelfuel.htm>
<http://www.byronfuels.com/>

TOTAL \$ _____