

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.

President's Perspective

I am off to see President Bush. Yeah right. I am going to Washington DC, but I doubt I will meet the President. I am attending the National Association of Towns and Townships annual conference. President Bush is rumored to be the guest speaker.

I won't be able to attend our next meeting, September 10th. I will be meeting with the County Commissioners and receiving my certificate for completing the Citizen Planner course. So I need your help setting up the Toys for Tots Air Show. This is the last planned club event of the year. I plan to be at the show but won't be able to help plan the show. Also I am going to be short handed at the show; Barb has a class that day. Barb sold concessions at our last event.

I haven't had much time to fly this past month. I collect old clocks and have more than thirty. I keep saying I collect clocks because I never have enough time. If I collect enough clocks, I should have more time. I don't think its working. Thirty clocks and still I don't have enough time.

I stuck the AT-6 in a bush on the ditch when the engine quit a few weeks ago. I have repaired the damage to the leading edge of the wing and corrected the engine problem. The clunk inside the fuel tank broke off the fuel pick-up tube. This caused the engine to lean out and quit from the lack of fuel.

George and Amy Davis need flight instruction. Who can help provide some instruction? Can we work out some kind of rotation where we can take turns instructing? George has JR equipment; will Futaba buddy box with JR? George can fly but needs assistance to back him up if the plane gets out of his range of view. Amy is new to flying. Let's get together and make this happen.

Have you checked out the club web site? Keith has done a fantastic job with the web site and is keeping the site updated.

The Eagles flying on Davis Road will be ending soon. I wish them well in their quest to find a new flying site. I also extend an invitation for the Eagles to fly with us until their new field is ready.

EVENTS CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

- 10th - **Propbusters** Club meeting
13th - Charity Fun Fly – Toys For Tots –
Propbusters
20th & 21st – 2003 Civil War Heritage Days –
Goodells County Park

OCTOBER

- 8th - **Propbusters** Club meeting

NOVEMBER

- 12th - **Propbusters** Club meeting

DECEMBER

- 10th - **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.)

Propbusters Web Site

www.sccpropbusters.com

If you have access to the Internet, you will notice the web site changing. Todd's been giving me suggestions on ways to improve the site. Shortly I'll be deleting old pictures to make room for pictures I'll be taking at the fun fly.

We've also started a section for the Redline Racers. You will see a link on our page.

I'd appreciate any pictures taken during Sunday racing or Wednesday night practice for the site.

Keith's 'Copter

I mentioned to Todd I was looking for something small to fly around the yard. He had a little helicopter in a box to sell me.



Here is the before shot

August Meeting

The meeting was held at the field starting at 6:05. Present were 13 Propbusters and 3 Redline Racers.

The 4H Fair Flying Demonstration was rehashed.

The Web Site was brought up. We need to print out the address for the sign at the field.

Advertising and supplies for the Toys For Tots was discussed. I will contact the Times Herald and Channel 6. I also added a flyer to the newsletter for distribution. Rob will pick up the concession stuff and Gary will bring out the grill.

We reviewed the reported flying violations that occurred during the fair when someone flew past the fence towards the crater. Ed volunteered to make a new "no fly zone" map for the frequency board.

There have been fewer reported people walking or riding bikes on the Redline Racing track.

The carburetor is missing from the duck (lawn tractor). We discussed ways to make the corral more secure. Ed will talk to Kirk to see about getting the duck running.

The Eagles are looking for a new field. AMA recommends the field be ½ mile by ½ mile, which is about a 40-acre chunk of land. Most of this would be fly over area. They would like to stay in St. Clair or Marysville area. Anyone with leads should contact Ed.

We talked about the R/C airplane that flew across the Atlantic.

Redline members mentioned their need for handicap access to the drivers stand and other possible ways to fulfill that need.

Ron Pennell, from the Redline Racers, picked up an airplane and is working with Todd.

And here it is 3 hours later



August Meeting Pictures



Financial Report

Beginning Balance **\$1,167.42**

Income 1/2 of Sign from Redline Racers \$ 60.50
Dues \$ 55.00

Total Income **\$ 115.50**

Expenses Postage/newsletter \$ 77.75
Gas \$ 14.00
Sign/Food (Rob) \$ 147.98

Total Expenses **\$ 239.73**

Ending Balance

Checking \$1,043.19
Cash on hand \$ 0.00

Grand Total **\$1,043.19**

Membership Sr. Members 5
Reg. Members 25
Jr. Members 8
Life Members 4
Total Members **42**

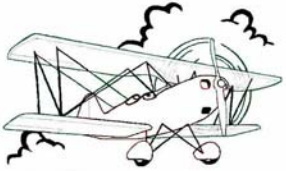
New Members: **Mark Morrow**
Mark Gallop (jr. member)

Redline Racing Team Tentative Schedule

Practice: Wednesday 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Racing: Sunday - Signup 11:00 am to 11:30 am
Races start at 12:00 pm





ST. CLAIR COUNTY PROPBUSTERS
R/C MODEL AIRCRAFT CLUB



PRESENTS:

TOYS FOR TOTS

AIR SHOW

**Open to
The Public**

**Start Time:
10:00 am**

SATURDAY - SEPT. 13, 2003

Fun for the Whole Family!

- Restroom Facilities
- Concession Stand
- Raffles

ADMISSION: One Toy or \$2.00 Donation

All toy donations will go to the **U.S. Marines** for Distribution at Christmas time.

Help support the children in St. Clair County.

Also Featuring
Redline Racing
R/C Car and
Truck Racing

R/C MODEL AIRCRAFT OF ALL TYPES

WARBIRDS – COMBAT – BIPLANES

**LARGE SCALE – SPORT SCALE – HELICOPTERS
(AMA CARD REQUIRED FOR ALL PILOTS)**

**THE PROPBUSTERS' AIRFIELD IS LOCATED AT
THE EAST END OF GOODELLS COUNTY PARK
ON COUNTY PARK DRIVE.**

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