



Pit Talk

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The official newsletter of the Madison County R/C Flyers, sanctioned club chapter 291



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Meetings held the second Monday evening of each month at 7:30pm at the Anderson Municipal Airport. The public is encouraged to attend!

Hello, friends and fellow aeromodelers, welcome to Pit Talk! The days between New Year and Spring Break are what I like to call the “dark ages”. Cold blustery weather, leaden skies, and early sunsets can give a person Cabin Fever or worse. We recommend a new model plane project for a cure. In this issue we will take a peek at a couple of ongoing projects, and also recap our annual Frozen Fingers fly, which was held (as always) on January 1. Thanks for reading!

Damon Atwood's C-130 project

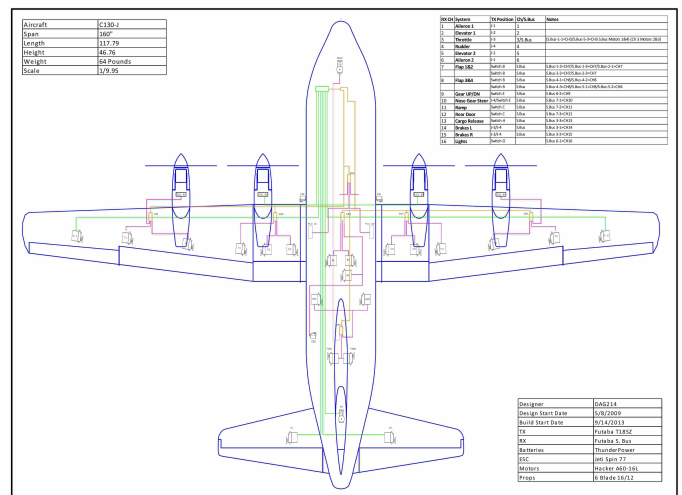
From time to time, Damon sends us an update on the C-130. Here's the latest:



Should be done by March!!

160" span
117 Length
46" tall
Weight 64 Pounds
Power 4 Hacker A60-16L
ESC's Jeti Spin 77's
Batteries Thunderpower
Radio Futaba T18SZ with S.Bus 24 Servos

Thanks, **Damon**



Tom Seres' Awesome Albatros

As usual, Tom is up to something (many somethings actually). One of those somethings is this humongous German WWI Albatros fighter. Can't wait to see it completed!



Note the classic cars in the background (as well as the two seedy characters critiquing Tom's workmanship).



For those unfamiliar with the type, here's a photo of a full-scale Albatros in flight.

Frozen Fingers 2017!

Dawn broke clear, cold and crisp over the Madison County R/C Flyers' field on the first day of the New Year, punctuated only by the chirping of birds, the buzz of electric model plane motors, and the bubbling sound of piping hot chili. Yes, it was our annual Frozen Fingers fly, where the hardiest of the hardy don their long underwear and venture out to celebrate the occasion. By the time the author arrived at around 8, the trophies for First Flight (Art Frye) and First Crash (Jon Fish) had already been secured. Flying was done, chili was eaten, and a good time was had by all!



Bill's new foamie FW190 in the background



That's one way to warm up a motor lol

Officers' Reports

Secretary the Honorable William Hallsworth:

December Minutes:

December 12, 2016

There were 11 members present.

A motion was made to accept the minutes as printed in the newsletter. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

Byron presented Treasurer's report. Made lots of money at the Swap Meet.

There was discussion about the success of the Swap Meet. The possibility of a summer swap meet was raised. The club would like another fund raiser. A motion was made to have the Swap meet at the church again next year.

Election Results:

President: Art Frye

Vice President: Tom Seres

Secretary: Bill Hallsworth

Treasurer: Byron Hamrick

Field Marshall: Bill Dewitt

Safety Officer: Mike Sharp

Newsletter Editor: Dave Johnston

Webmaster: Joe Bays

The Frozen Finger fly-in is on January 1st. Come out and freeze with the rest of us! Bill Dewitt will bring some chili.

50/50: Bill Dewitt won and donated back.

Randy Thomas showed off the AMA foamie biplane thingamajig from one of the magazines.

The meeting was adjourned.

The Incomparable Sir Byron Hamrick:

Sorry. There is little to report. I haven't been to the bank since before the last meeting with deposits but we haven't spent any money either.....

Byron

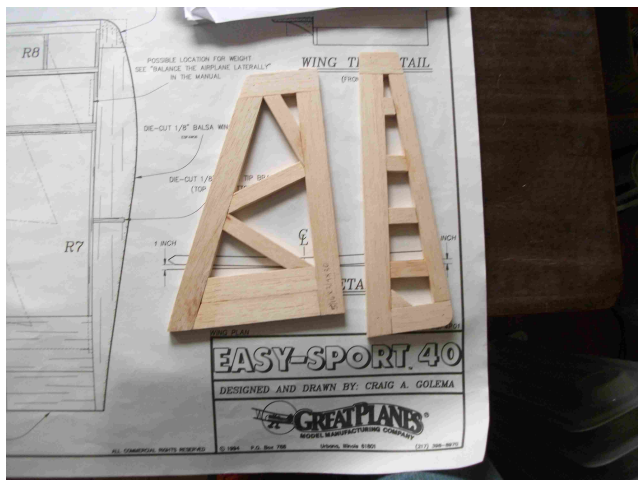
The reason Mayberry was so peaceful and quiet was because nobody was married. Andy, Aunt Bea, Barney, Floyd, Howard, Goober, Gomer, Sam, Earnest T Bass, Helen, Thelma Lou, Clara and obviously Opie were all single. The only married person was Otis, and he stayed drunk.

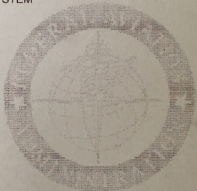
Little ole me (Dave the Newsletter editor)

It has been a busy month so far, mostly because I've been down in Dallas working on a type rating for a new aircraft. But before I left town I did manage to make it to the Frozen Fingers fly and get in on the fun.

On the left is one of the projects waiting for me back home, a Great Planes Easy Sport 40. Just have the tail feathers put together so far, but a journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step, right?

Finally, the photo on the right is my new FAA sUAS (small Unmanned Aircraft System) license, so I'm an official drone pilot. Not that I needed it to fly for recreational purposes, but just got it for fun!



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Sort of a quiet month this time, but we hope a pleasant one. Stay warm, be well, be safe, and talk to you next month!