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## NEWSLETTER

Sorry for the delay of the newsletter. Since the weather has been nice I've found it hard to spend time in my office. I do need to report that everything is back to normal at the field. The past couple of weekends were great for flying and Steve Petranyi showed he is back in the groove for the 2007 season. Upon making a low inverted pass over the runway he realized once again that the ground is harder than his vertical stabilizer. Yes, he did it again!

**Next meeting to be held at Crawford field, Sunday May 6th.**

### **Congratulations to John Shutic !**

John has been chosen to receive the LCRC Outstanding Achievement Award for 2006. Each year, Lorain County R/C Club, has the distinct pleasure of recognizing one of its members that has demonstrated an impressive level of dedication and loyalty to our club. **"Thanks for all that you have done John."**



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Oh what a beautiful day.

On Saturday the 21st I spent the afternoon at the field and to my surprise there was a nice turnout of members and air-



**The Prez Sez:**

planes. You know whenever you go to the field and check out the planes there is always a plane that catches attention to your eyes, and I feasted my eyes on a beautiful plane that Bill Ritchie brought up and performed its maiden flight. It was his Yak powered by a DA50. The flight was very well demonstrated and it's a very nice put together airplane. The weather is getting better every day hoping the rest of our flyers can get out and enjoy also. I also talked to some visitors that are interested in the

hobby so hopefully we can gain new members. I am also pleased with the response of the instructors we will have this season and sounds like they are ready to start instructing. And I do thank you very much for your interest and time. Well I think I will give my typing finger a rest and sign off for now, remember to bring your CLUB card and display it on the back of your channel number on the frequency board, they will be checked. Remember—NO CARD NO FLY. Just a reminder that this is your club and you do make a difference, HAVE A NICE FLIGHT .

JOHN

**NEXT MEETING — MAY 6TH AT CRAWFORD FIELD, 1:30 P.M.**

## **APRIL MEETING MINUTES:**

- ◇ *The meeting was called to order by President John Halfhill at 1:34 p.m. on March 25, 2007.*
- ◇ *Bill Ritchie read the minutes from the last meeting. John Halfhill motioned to accept, Bryan Buganski seconded, minutes accepted.*
- ◇ *Club Treasurer Tony Oravec stated he brought the wrong briefcase to the meeting but believes the club has a \$9,780.00 balance in the account. See financial report for final numbers.*
- ◇ *Field Maintenance: The field lawn mower has been checked out by John Halfhill and is ready to go for the upcoming season. The field will be rolled when the ground becomes a little more stable.*
- ◇ *Safety report: Nothing to report, not much going on at the field this time of year.*

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- ◇ *Scott Peterson mentioned that there are some low spots on our field that should be filled in. He is willing to work to achieve results. Jeff Shutic will have some dirt left over from his remodeling project at home and is willing to donate it if we can provide an inexpensive way to move it to the field.*
- ◇ *We have decided that the fun flies will be scheduled at the meetings. We do need volunteers to run these events. Any one willing to host a fun fly this year is asked to come to the meeting and announce the time.*

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- ◇ *We now have seven people who are willing to help new members learn to fly. Chris Bonner wants to ensure that new pilots have their aircraft checked out by a club member and that they themselves have the knowledge on how to make their aircraft suitable for flight. All new pilots should go over their preflight checklist with their instructor. Club officers will ensure that a new pilot is ready to be on his own before the level "A" status is given.*
- ◇ *Model Mania is now scheduled for August 19th. The Cub Scouts will be providing the cooking and the food for the event.*
- ◇ *John Fischer donated two tables to the club for Model Mania and events that require tables.*
- ◇ *Amanda Davis won the Raffle of the Dazzler which will go well with the Thunder Tiger engine she won at the last meeting. Bob Jackson won the fuel raffle.*
- ◇ *Meeting was motioned to be adjourned at 2:22 p.m. by Jeff Shutic. Ben Sultzer seconded.*

## THESE ARE NOT THE AIRCRAFT MODELS WE BUILT WHEN WE WERE KIDS

*If you are looking for a different approach to detailing your RC warbird project or just want a nice display model log onto [BadCatToysInc.Com](http://BadCatToysInc.Com)*

*There is a large selection of 1/18 scale plastic aircraft models that will impress you with their accuracy and detail yet assemble in about thirty minutes with no glue!!! The average wingspan is about 24" and the scale details i.e. panel lines, rivets, markings and paint schemes will leave you impressed upon completion of assembly. The website features a variety of other model types and scales and has good pricing compared to the other sites that market these models. There are jet fighters also. The average price for these display models is approximately \$50.00 and when you consider the price of a larger scale plastic model and the accessory cost to finish—this is a no brainer! Besides, wouldn't it be nice to assemble a model plane and not have to worry about crashing it???*



### 1/18 Scale TBF-1 Avenger

## THE LANDING PATTERN

*For consistent landings fly your approaches like the full scale pilots do. A pattern is so named whereby you fly a consistent flight path each time you land thus minimizing your workload during the approach.*

*Your downwind leg should be at the correct altitude and distance parallel to the runway. Initiate your base turn at the correct point and fly it to the point where you make your turn to final. Be sure to manage your throttle setting along the way—many bad approaches begin with too much power on the downwind leg and remember that during the landing approach that air-speed is controlled by elevator and altitude is increased or decreased with throttle.*

*Practice landing approaches for consistency and then attempt more advanced techniques such as extended down winds (traffic on runway) and short final approaches. Refer to a Jeppessen flight instruction manual for more information on flying the landing approach and when you have some free time drive out to Lorain County Airport and watch the general aviation aircraft execute landing approaches. Our hobby is pretty close to the real thing.*



**Here's proof that a quality mid-air can be attained in un-powered flight!!!**

**Safety First!** Be alert for full-scale aircraft in the airspace. When at the field and not flying keep your eyes to the sky and inform fellow members who are flying at the time of approaching traffic.

