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New Year's Day Event What a difference a year makes.



This is how the field looked - inset is the field on New Year's Day 2016 (Gary Shakin, Russ Scott and Bill Brown pictured)

New Year's Day event: We had an amazing turnout, about 20 or so members came. The weather was the best we have had for a New Year's event for many years. Temperature was about 36 and the winds were in the 6-8 mph range. Let's hope it means we are going to have a lot of good flying weather this year. Even though he retired as Events Director, **Eddie Okrzesik** can't shake the habit. He went out the day before and started the generator to make sure it would start and also got propane. On the morning of the event, Eddie and **Jay Imroth** cleaned up the garage and set things up.

First flight honors this year go to **Bill Brown** who got his Synergy heli up before anyone else flew. **Russ Scott** showed up with a new toy, a Horizon Hobby A-10 Warthog with twin EDF's on a 2S 950 mAh Graphene battery. That thing can rip up the sky and it's only an ultra-micro. She shows nicely in the photo below. She flies slowly well too. Bet there are a half dozen Warthogs at the field by summer. **George Boukouzis** came and brought his lovely granddaughter **Clara**. When George tried to fly however, his DJI Phantom reported that it needed the new updated software. **Ken Gentry** maiden'd his P51 Dallas Doll and put it through its paces and brought it down to a gentle landing with a round of applause from other club members. Many other members got in their first flights of the year.



Bill Brown, Terry Peterson, Jay Imroth and Nick Senese



Eddie Okrzesik, Steve Yeaton, Bill Rago and John Losch



George Boukouzis and granddaughter, Clara



Russ Scott flying his A-10 as Keith Bradley & Mike Taylor watch



New club president, Gary Shakin and nephew Dan Skaja



Glen Learnahan, Herb Ehnert and Red Matson

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Ken Gentry maidening his Dallas Doll P51



Bill Brown flying his Synergy heli

But we had our share of mishaps too. **Ken Gentry** was also maidening a Cub that came from **Jack Bernard's** estate. Take-off was a little more exciting than Ken wanted with the plane rolling and then almost grazing a wingtip on the ground. Ken managed to bring it up but then tried to trim it out, probably at too low an altitude. Oops – into the corn field. Afterwards, this writer's observation: "Well Ken, that crash was in the best tradition of Jack Bernard."



Indoor Fly, January 8, 2017



Three Generations of RC pilots. I-R Dan, Tim and Alex Neuen

There was a good turn-out for the year's first indoor fly and there were some new aircraft flying. **Dan Neuen** flew a Flite Test Mini Scout, a foamboard plane that Dan built from a laser-cut kit, which has a classic look as you can see from the photo. **Jack Cutrone** had two new aircraft, a Twisted Hobbys 24" Mini Crack Yak that also comes as a laser cut kit made from EPP foam and an RTF Starship Enterprise, NCC1701-A. The latter comes with a TX that plays recorded Star Trek noises.



Flite Test Mini Scout



Twisted Hobbys 24" Mini Yak



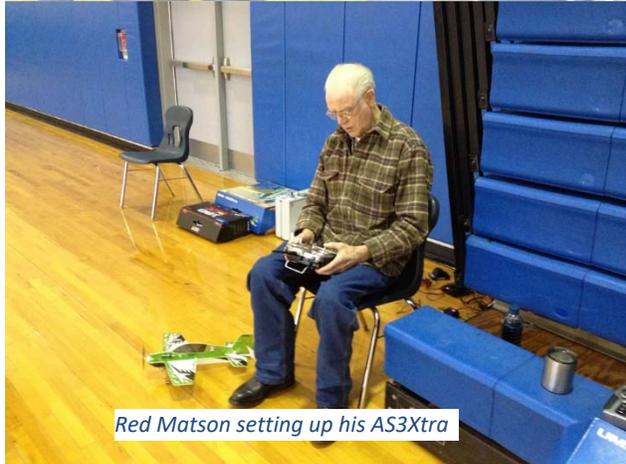
Starship Enterprise



Mike Taylor, Jay Imroth & Jim Buchanan



Ken Gentry & Bill Brown



Red Matson setting up his AS3Xtra



Jack Cutrone flying the Starship Enterprise
(photo by Jay Imroth)

Next Indoor Fly is January 22nd. Be there or be grounded.

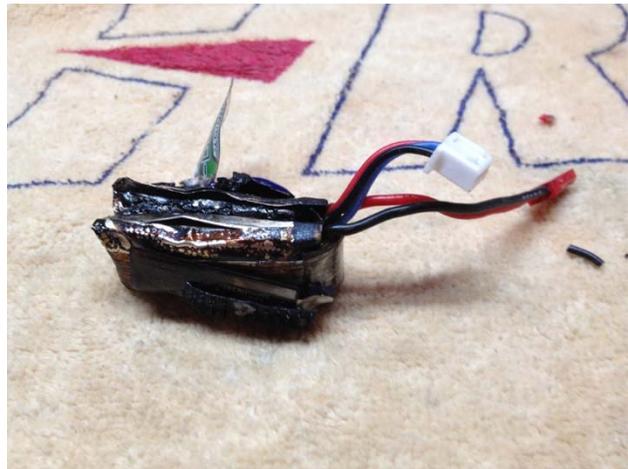
RADIO CHATTER

Flypaper invites your contributions. If you get a new aircraft, or do something of which you are proud, or have a . . . uh . . .uh . . . “learning experience” with a plane or heli, or anything good or noteworthy to share, let Jack Cutrone know and he will write it up in the next Flypaper. His email and phone number appear in the masthead at the top. ,

It's that sad time of year when we put the Mystic Oil in our engines, storage discharge our lipo's, and generally start puttering around doing those repairs we put off during flying season. Thanks to **Dave Taylor**, we get to fly indoors at the Beach Park Middle School's gymnasium. But somehow it doesn't quite seem the same as being out at the field with the sun shining, the roar of jets in the air and the smell of nitro fuel pervasive. It's also that time of year when we begin putting together our new planes or maybe a kit that we have had in the basement for years. Which gets us to:

Whatcha Building? Last year **Flypaper** invited club members to contact Jack Cutrone so that he could do a feature on what people were building. The response was . . . underwhelming. Let's share more this year. It doesn't matter if it is a scratch build, a kit or even putting together that ARF we got ourselves for Christmas. Other members are interested and would like to see what you are working on. Contact **Jack Cutrone** and take lots of pictures as you progress through the build so we can put them in Flypaper.

Let's see, the red wire goes into the . . . Jack Cutrone had a mishap in the shop. He built a Twisted Hobbys Mini Yak but it seemed anemic coming out of a hover. When he posted in the RCGroups thread, it was suggested that he calibrate the ESC. Jack likes to quantify things, so he decided that he would put the plane on the wattmeter and test the static peak watts before and after the calibration. Hmm. What's that smoke smell? He looked and saw smoke coming from his rapidly puffing lipo 2s 300 mAh battery. He pulled the connections and took it outside before it smoked up the basement any more. Only then did he double check the wiring and found he had inserted the red input wire into the wattmeter in the black plug and vice versa. Fried the ESC too, but with the new calibrated ESC now she climbs like with authority.



Workshop tips. We'd like to include this as a new section. If you have a good tip for building or repairing RC models, let Jack Cutrone know so it can be included in **Flypaper**. This month's tip comes from Jack. Have you ever been so frustrated by a stuck and stripped out screw or hex bolt that you want to start smashing things? **Screw Grab** is a product that has fine grit in a gel base. Put a few drops into that stripped out Phillips screw or hex bolt and with a little careful effort, out it comes. Something to try before you try to drill it out with a left-handed drill bit or screw remover.



What tricks do you use in the shop?

January 5, 2017 LCRCC Meeting Minutes

The monthly meeting of the Lake County Radio Control Club was held in the North Shore Bank, 5117 Green Bay Road, Kenosha. **Gary Shakin** called the meeting to order at 7:20 pm with 16 members present.

Secretary's Report:

The previous month's minutes were accepted as written in the monthly "FlyPaper"

Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer's report was presented by **Chuck Smith** and accepted as read.

Field officer's Report:

Glen Learnahan has started work on the tractor brakes, but hasn't returned email questions or resumed the brake work. **Gary Shakin** and **Chuck Smith** plan to get the tractor ready for use before the spring growing season.

Field Safety Officer's Report:

Jay Imroth was out of town, it was mentioned several pilots flew during our New Year's Day event, not one Forest Preserve Permit was displayed! Permits still apply even though it's the first day of 2017!

Events Director's Report:

In **Red Matson**'s absence **Eddie Okrzesik** mentioned our New Year's Day get-together was a great success! Doughnuts and Chili were provided by our new President **Gary Shakin** – Thanks Gary! Coffee was brewed by **Eddie** and **Bill Rago**.

Many thanks to **Eddie** for the fine job he did as Events Director!

Old Business:

The new garage door gasket has been chewed by mice; **Eddie Okrzesik** is spraying wasp spray around the door in an attempt to discourage mice.

New Business: **Chuck Smith** and **Steve Yeaton** are in the process of drawing up written instructions for mowing the field including tractor operation as well as pit area layout. Big thanks to Chuck and Steve for taking this on!

Gary Shakin and **Jay Imroth** are in the process of scheduling a meeting with Forest Preserve personnel to present our requests; one will be the possibility of a one day pass for visiting pilots.

2017 memberships will be accepted through the March Club meeting. Remember... the March meeting is the deadline for renewal without penalty! Sign up at regularly scheduled club meetings or by mail. You must present proof of 2017 AMA membership.

New Members:

Eric Everett and Dan Neuen. Dan is a former member returning after several years' absence. Welcome to both of you!

Show & Tell:

Chuck Smith passed around a defective ball link from a helicopter he spotted before flying; it would have caused the helicopter to crash if he used it.

On a motion, second and voice note the meeting was adjourned at 8:09pm.

Bill Rago, Recording Secretary

**Treasurer's Report For
January 2017**
(Represents December 2016 Activity)

Opening Checking Balance	\$ 6,391.41
Dues	480.00
50/50 Raffle	18.00
Total Receipts	<hr/> 498.00
Pat's Porta-Potty (December)	(11.25)
Total Disbursements	(11.25)
Ending Checking Balance	<hr/> \$ 6,878.16 <hr/>

2016-17 Upcoming Events Schedule

- NEXT MEETING – February 2, 2017, 7:15 pm, North Shore Bank, 5117 Green Bay Rd., Kenosha
- Indoor Fly – January 22, 2017 Beach Park Middle School
- Indoor Fly – February 5, 2017 Beach Park Middle School
- Indoor Fly – February 19, 2017 Beach Park Middle School
- Indoor Fly – March 5, 2017 Beach Park Middle School
- Indoor Fly – March 19, 2017 Beach Park Middle School
- Opening Day - TBD



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