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Biplane and Giant Scale Day

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.

Biplane and Giant Scale Day. The weather was cooperative for a change with warm temperatures, plenty of sun and light winds. Turnout for events however continues to be light however. If you didn't come, you missed a good flying day and great food cooked up by this month's host **Bill Rago** including some fancy burgers with mushrooms or bacon already mixed in. Actually, come to think of it, neither biplanes nor giant scale aircraft were much in evidence. But the planes that were there got a workout.

In fact, one plane got more of a workout than was planned. Two pilots were up at the same time flying the same plane. All was well until the planes crossed each other. One of the pilots started following the other pilot's plane thinking it was his. While he was doing that, his plane, a small foamy, made a spectacular full power crash into the wind sock pole. The pilot shall remain nameless (having paid a substantial bribe to the editor.)



Master Chef Bill Rago hard at work.



Remains of the ill-fated plane scattered on the grass behind the frequency board.



Wally Szempruch's Spitfire



Gary Shakin and Dan Skaja's fleets.



Jack Cutrone's Carbon Z Yak 54



Spectators watching the flying



Two of the club's elder statesmen, Steve Yeaton and Wally Szempruch



Jay Imroth and newly returned member Rick Stapleton doing some horse trading. Rick bought one of Jay's planes.



Club President Gary Shakin and Dan Skaja.

Dan Skaja maiden'd the Freewing F-86 shown in the picture above and reports that it flies great.

Update on Forest Preserve. Jack Cutrone met with Forest Preserve Vice President **Linda Pedersen**. Jack explained the current impasse. Ms. Pedersen was very sympathetic. She said that she would talk with Chief Ranger Tannahill to see if there was a way that it might be possible for the club to hold an event. She suggested a hybrid of both the ideas that had been floating around, to have the Forest Preserve issue one day permits but only in relation to a club sponsored Fly-in. We await further word.

Lost Bird, Found Prop. Tom Stolarik gave Jack Cutrone an old heli, a Blade 200 SRX. Jack had a great time flying it and the heli's bank limitation allowed him to do forward flight, circuits and figure 8's with some confidence. Well perhaps too much confidence. Despite **Mike Taylor's** prudent warning not to fly the micro heli too far away, Jack managed to lose sight of it over the farmer's field. He shut down the power. Even with help from **Mike Taylor, Tom Stolarik, Kevin Stolarik, Glen Learnhan and Rick Stapleton**, he couldn't find it and concluded it must have come down in the trees. In the process of doing a thorough search, he found a prop and spinner that had come off someone else's plane lying in the field. Whoever it belongs to should give Jack a call.



Unusual tree trimming near the field. Not long after the author saw a You Tube video about a helicopter being used to trim trees with a long device with very large rotating saw blades, one was being used near the field. The saw attachment, as you can see from the photo is hauled by a line from the heli. The blades are about 3-4' across and there are several of them on the device which is powered by a gas engine. Can only imagine what might happen if the device got caught in a tree. Must be some pretty nimble piloting. To view the video, see:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pla06PO6Odk>.



Jack thinks he might have discovered what really happened to the Blade 200 SRX. Just saying, you know.



Field Crew: Last year the mower deck on the tractor kept coming off the power takeoff from the tractor, a problem that was both annoying and potentially hazardous. After it happened again while **Red Matson** was attempting to mow the field, it became obvious that repairs were needed. With an assist from **Steve Yeaton, Red and Jack Cutrone** removed the faulty part, an overrun collar. Steve ordered a new one and Jack and **George Losson** mounted the new part. Works well and mowing is under way for the year.

**Treasurer's Report For
May 2018
(Represents MarchApril 2018 Activity)**

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| Opening Checking Balance | \$ 7,778.99 |
| Dues | 65.00 |
| 50/50 Raffle | 25.00 |
| Sticker Sales | |
| Total Receipts | 90.00 |
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| Gary Shakin (Jan 1 Picnic supplies) | \$ (109.61) |
| Jack Cutrone (Opening day supplies, gas, repair parts) | (104.99) |
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| Total Disbursements | (214.60) |
| Ending Checking Balance | \$ 7,654.39 |
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| Bank Balance | \$ 7,868.99 |
| (unpresented checks) | \$ 214.60 |

May 3, 2018 LCRCC Meeting Minutes

The monthly meeting of the Lake County Radio Control Club was held at the Lake Villa Library, 1001 East Grand Ave, Lindenhurst, IL. **Gary Shakin** called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm with 9 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:

Field looks good, some flying going on despite the soggy conditions; drive slow on the access road or else your vehicle will be coated with road grime.

The gate lock is very difficult to re-lock and still has last year's combination!

Field Safety Officer's Report:

No issues. **Steve Yeaton** reported the meeting room is booked through October.

Events Director's Report:

Bill Rago will host the May 6th LCRCC event Biplane & Giant scale

Please consider hosting an event this year, it's not that difficult actually rather fun cooking in and someone is always willing to help!

Old Business:

Steve Yeaton reported the website is coming along and still in a state of flux, you can check out the site by going to: <http://104.236.226.3/>

New Business:

Indoor flying is over for the season.

New Members:

Tim from Kenosha is now an official member of LCRCC – Welcome Tim.

Show & Tell:

No show & tell

On a motion, second and voice note the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 pm.

Bill Rago Recording Secretary

2018 Upcoming Events Schedule

- NEXT MEETING – June 7, 2018 7:15 pm. Lake Villa Library, Room A, 1001 East Grand Ave, Lindenhurst, IL.
- June 10, 2018 – Heli's and Quad's, Host: Leonard Martin
- July 8, 2018 – Warbirds and Electric Planes, Host: Jack Cutrone
- August 12, 2018 – Hosts: Jim and Joan Doubek
- September 9, 2018 – Jets, Host: Gary Shakin
- October 7, 2018 – Cubs, **Host: TBD**



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