

Lake County Radio Control Club

# *Fly Paper*



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Many thanks to Jim and Joan Doubek . . .



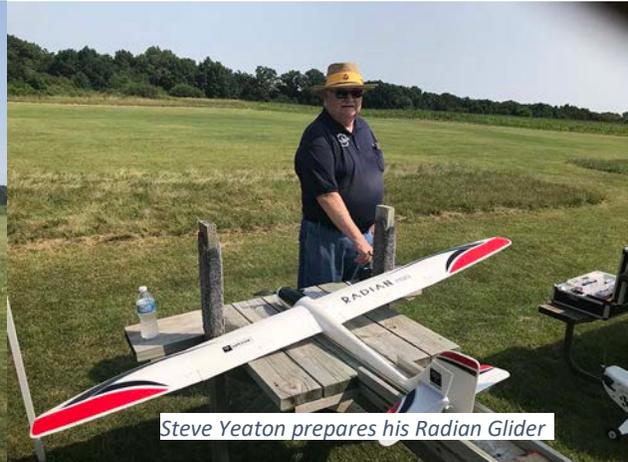
. . .for all the years of fine cooking.

## RADIO CHATTER

**2018 Lake County Radio Control Club Picnic.** The annual picnic was a smashing success. Despite this summer's string of bad weather, the aviation weather gods were good to the club and it was fine flying weather, blue skies, mild winds and moderate temperatures. And many members took advantage of it. As did no small number of sweat bees.



*A little of the action*



*Steve Yeaton prepares his Radian Glider*



*Okrzesik walking to the flight line*



*Bill Rago and his Edge*



*George Losson putting his Chipmunk through its paces*



*Club President Gary Shakin with his ag plane inspired by Disney's Dusty the Crop Duster*



*Nick Senese spotting for Eddie Okrzesik and his paraglider*



*Russ Scott after a long absence - he has been missed*



*George Boukouzis's grandson, Thomas and George's son-in-law Petros, a new LCRC member*



*John Losch on a soon-to-be ill-fated flight*

While some flew, others watched and enjoyed the food.



*I-r Red and Liz Matson and Dave Harrington*



*Lois and Eddie Okrzesik*



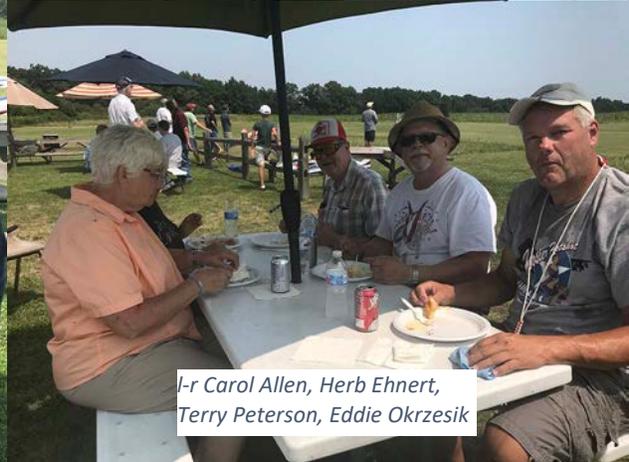
Gary Allen



I-r Carol Allen and Judy Ehnert



I-r Bill Rago, Wally Szempruch, Steve Yeaton



I-r Carol Allen, Herb Ehnert, Terry Peterson, Eddie Okrzesik

And hopefully some of these kids will become the generation of RC pilots.



Audrey, Olivia and Gwendaline Gentry (and no, I don't have a clue which is which.)



Glen Learnahan's grandson Colton gives grandpa an assist working on his cub



I-r Wally Szempruch, future RC pilot Nicholas Martin and his dad, Leonard.

Lining up for the great food prepared by **Joan and Jim Doubek** and their friends, **Barb and Ron Sunni**:



There were a ton of raffle prizes plus some give-away items. In addition to the items purchased for the raffle there were donations by a number of people, not all of whom do we have names for, but those did include: **Steve Yeaton, Herb Ehnert, Jack Cutrone, Wally Szempruch and Jay Imroth**. Included in the give-aways was a quarter-scale P51 kit claimed by **Rich Hentschel**



*Red Matson inspecting the raffle items*



*Some of the give-away items*



*Lois Okrzesik drawing the winning raffle tickets, announced by Jack Cutrone. Vice President and Field Safety Officer Steve Yeaton ensuring that no safety rules were violated in the raffle drawing.*



*Another lucky winner - George Boukouzis's grandson Thomas*

**But not all was joy in Mudville.** Two club members were debuting newly built planes. John Losch was flying a Razor he had just completed. Terry Peterson was flying an Eflite Erratix which he had for a couple of years before he put it together. He had previously brought the plane to a club meeting for show and tell. Chuck Smith was giving Terry a hand by maidenning the plane and trimming it. Certainly no one expected what happened next. John flew his plane over the runway northbound. Chuck was flying the Erratix southbound, also over the runway. Despite long odds against it, the planes collided head on. We estimate the combined speed of both planes at about 100 mph. The sound carried throughout the field and parts were scattered over the runway. Before and after:



John Losch and his Razor



Terry and Chuck readying the Erratix



I-r Red Matson, John Losch and Terry going to pick up the pieces



Bet you've never seen a servo sliced open by a prop before. (from Terry's plane.)

**Big-hearted club member, Red Matson** Red Matson won two raffle prizes and he picked the Eflite UMX Timber each time. The Timber is a nifty little plane that not only has Horizon's AS3X stabilization system but when positioned above the runway will land itself. After **Terry Peterson** lost his Erratix, Red gave him one of the two he had won in the raffle. Now that is an example of a good RC club member. Way to go Red.



**Northbrook Hobbytown is offering Lake County Radio Control members a discount.** When **Wally Szempruch** and **Jack Cutrone** bought the prizes for the raffle, **Jean-Pierre Deheeger**, owner of the **Northbrook Hobbytown** gave the club a discount on the prizes. Jean-Pierre also made a great offer of discounts to all members of the club. Through a combination of a 5% immediate discount on purchases and each member getting a Hobbytown card (if you don't already have one) which gives 5% cash back on future purchases, members will effectively get a total of a 10% discount. By the way, that big biplane hanging from the ceiling is Jean-Pierre's plane. He says that the store keeps him so busy that he doesn't get much chance to fly these days. (Jean-Pierre - you need to re-examine your priorities.) The store is located at 525 Waukegan Road, Northbrook, Illinois. The website is: <https://www.hobbytown.com/northbrook-il/170>. Just tell them that you are a member and they will check against a list of members we are sending them.



## Warbirds over Wisconsin



Just a few of the many pilots lined up to fly

Hosted every year by the Fond Du Lac Aeromodelers Association, this event is a showcase of giant scale warbirds and aviation classics. The minimum wingspan is 80" or 60" for biplanes. Turbine-powered jets are also welcome but must bear military markings. The event lasts three days and has something to offer most any radio control flyer. Six LCRCC members attended this year: **Mike Taylor** and **Tom Stolarik** went up Friday, August 17<sup>th</sup> and **Steve Yeaton, Keith Bradley, Eddie Okresik** attended on Saturday. The event is held at Wellnitz Field, a remarkable radio control airfield. The field has a 1320' x 280' smooth grass runway and features charging stations, a clubhouse, permanent flight stations and other features. The field is so impressive that **Mike Taylor, Dave Taylor** and **Tom Stolarik** joined the Association a few weeks before the event. During the Warbirds show, on each day at noon, as many WWI warbird pilots as want to all fly. On Saturday this year, there was an impressive 19 giant scale flying at once.



Just a few of the 19 planes that flew at noon

A large variety of WWI and WWII planes are on display. While many of the planes are frequently modeled favorites, some are planes that are unique:



Steve Yeaton next to a Westland Lysander with its trademark forward swept curved wings



Not often seen, a Topsy Nipper

Now that is GIANT scale:



A Decathlon almost big enough for Eddie to sit in



A Spitfire and a P47 Jug



Cessna 152 in the scheme of a Brazilian flying school - I was impressed but the dog most distinctly was not



An A10 Warthog and owner/pilot - a member of the Fox Valley Flyers from St. Charles



Builder-pilot Lt. I.M. Meticulous



A Spitfire with non-standard RAF Rondell; blue markings rather than standard red were used in Burma to distinguish the plane from Japanese Zeros which had red circles.



And a good time was had by all:



l-r Jack Cutrone, Steve Yeaton, Keith Bradley & Eddie Okrzesik

## Upcoming and help needed:

The **Lake County Radio Control Club** will again have a booth at the Northern Illinois Air Show held at Waukegan Airport on September 8, 2018 thanks to the effort of **Wally Szempruch**. Last year's booth was a great success and attracted many visitors. So far this year, in addition to Wally, **Chuck Smith, Rich Hentschel, Ryan Smith** and **Jack Cutrone** have volunteered to staff the booth. Chuck Smith is bringing his nearly finished Beech 18 twin for its first public display. As with last year, we will have planes and helicopters on display as well as flight simulators which were a great hit last year. We will also be giving away old RC magazines to booth visitors so if you have a stack of old ones that you'd like to donate, bring them to the field. Last year's display:



**September 14-16 in Muncie, IN.** AMA is holding a fund raiser for the AMA Foundation, the Friends of the Foundation Funfly. Former LCRCC member **Jim Spice** will be flying some scale helicopters there.

## Treasurer's Report For Aug 2018

(Represents July 2018 Activity)

<b>Opening Checking Balance</b>	<b>\$ 7,113.24</b>
Dues	85.00
50/50 Raffle	30.00
Sticker Sales	
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<hr/> <b>115.00</b>
Deluxe (checks)	\$ (38.23)
Jack Cutrone (cook out food)	(146.21)
Red Matson (soft drinks)	(51.24)
Pats Services	(94.95)
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>(330.63)</b>
<b>Ending Checking Balance</b>	<hr/> <b>\$ 6,897.61</b> <hr/>
<b>Bank Balance</b>	<b>\$ 7,043.82</b>
<b>(unpresented check)</b>	<b>\$ 146.21</b>

(Note: This report appeared in last month's Flypaper as well. We will return to the regular reporting schedule next month.)

## **August 2, 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. **Steve Yeaton** called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm with 7 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 **Steve Yeaton** and accepted as written.

### **Field officer's Report:**

Field looks good. The tractor was repaired. [Note: need repair again.]

### **Field Safety Officer's Report:**

Some pilots are flying east of pole in rotor area. This is prohibited from the two flight stations to the north of the parking lot.

### **Events Director's Report:**

The picnic is scheduled for August 1, 201, once again Jim and Joan Doubek will be hosting this yearly event – thanks Jim and Joan!!!

**Please consider hosting the October event this year, it's not that difficult - actually rather fun cooking for a bunch of hungry hobbyists who never complain and someone is always willing to help!**

### **Old Business:**

None.

### **New Business:**

None.

### **New Members:**

No new members.

## Show & Tell:

**Tim** brought his Horizon Opterra 1.2m to show - very impressive with camera and gyro @\$380.00.

On a motion, second and voice note the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 pm.

**Bill Rago** Recording Secretary

## 2018 Upcoming Events Schedule

- **NEXT MEETING** – September 6, 2018 7:15 pm. Lake Villa Library, Room A, 1001 East Grand Ave, Lindenhurst, IL.
- September 8, 2018 – Northern Illinois Air Show (contact **Wally Szempruch**)
- September 9, 2018 – Jets, Host: Gary Shakin
- October 7, 2018 – Cubs, **Host: TBD**



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