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Coming in November and December

November 13th, Club Meeting / Election, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

November 16th, Dome Fun-Fly, White Pines Golf Dome, Bensenville

November 27th, Board of Directors, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

December 11th, Club Christmas Meeting, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

December 14th, Dome Fun-Fly, 10:30pm – 1:00am, White Pines Golf Dome

December 18th, Board of Directors, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

Golf Dome Opening Delayed

By Scott Taylor

Unfavorable weather has hampered attempts to set up the winter golf dome at White Pine golf course in Bensenville. As a result, the Dome Opening Electric Fly will be delayed. Our Dome Director, Mert Mischnick, provided some pictures of the dome site showing that setup has at least begun. For those who haven't been to the site since last season, it is hard to picture the wide-open spaces and a dome that is flat as a pancake.



The revolving door awaits the mating ritual

Once inflated, the work is not over. Wiring, heating, golf targets, desks, tables, and of course, the coffee machine, will still need to be added.



Flat as a pancake, looks a subterranean Pizza Hut!

The pictures show the dome as it appeared on Wednesday, November 1st. The Barnstormers are planning their first indoor fun-fly of the season for Thursday, November 16th, so please plan to attend the member meeting on Monday to get the latest.

Late word is the dome will be open for business on Thursday November 9th. If you have any questions about the opening or indoor flying season, give Mert a call at 847-437-0410.

October Fun-Fly Results

By Dave West

The frost was on the pumpkin October 15th for our final outdoor fun-fly of the season. Despite the cool temperatures and gloomy skies, 18 club members came out with 10 flying.

The event was our classic "Wiffle-Ball Touch & Go". With the baseball-sized plastic balls attached to the planes via 30-foot strings, each pilot took 5-passes at touching the ball within a 30-by-30 foot box on the field – without allowing the plane to touch the ground. We flew two complete rounds using the best score for final ranking.

Jeff Peca displayed total dominance with perfect scores of 240 points in each round – winning the blue ribbon. We had a 3-way tie for second place with three pilots scoring 215 points in the second round. The first-round scores were used to break the tie and award

the ribbons. Jim Scahill took the red second-place ribbon. Scott Taylor won the white ribbon. The green ribbon went to Glenn LaRocco – who also had the most-improved score (going from 65 in the first round to 215 in the second).

I'd like to thank everyone who helped out at all the events this season. Jeff Peca bought the door prizes. Jim Scahill did the grilling at several events. Steve Dietrich ran fun-fly #2. Ed Wannacott, Mert Mischnick, John Janninck, and Bob Elsner provided score-keeping, timing, and other officiating duties throughout the season. Most of all, I'd like to thank all the members who came out to participate. Attendance at this year's events was way up from previous years – making my job as fun-fly chairman worthwhile and rewarding.

Officers Up for Election

By Scott Taylor

The Suburban RC Barnstormer By-Laws call for the election of Officer and Board members to two-year terms. Well, this is an election year! Nominations for office were fielded at that last general membership meeting. Lots of hats were tossed toward the ring, but many were deflected and few landed inside! Nominations will still be accepted at the November meeting. Many people often feel they are not qualified to run for office, but this is very rarely true. New ideas and approaches are always welcome, so if you have an interest and are nominated, please say "YES!"

The current slate of candidates is as follows:

President: Scott Taylor
Mert Mischnick

Vice-President Steve Dietrich (not present)
Debbie Howe (not present)

Treasurer: Bob Elsner

Secretary: Ruth Egging (not present)
Scott Taylor

SPADFEST 2007

By Jeff Peca

SPADFFEST 2007 is going to have a new location. The event is going to be hosted by the Des Moines Modelaires. It will be at their field just north of Des Moines, Iowa, about 300

miles from our area. The date has not been set yet but it will probably be in June. If you would like more information on SPADS and SPADFEST 2007, visit www.spadworld.net.

DOM E-NITER - December 2, 2006

11:00 PM – 5:00 AM - White Pines Golf Dome

By Jeff Peca

The Suburban R/C Barnstormers are going to host another all night fly-in, Dome E-Niter. It is going to be Saturday night, December 2, 2006, from 11:00 PM until 5:00 AM Sunday. It will be held at the White Pines Golf Dome in Bensenville. We are currently soliciting sponsors from the local hobby shops. The sponsors will be encouraged to advertise their place of business and bring items to sell at the event. We will provide as much open flying time as possible with a few demos from some local hotshot pilots. There will also be time for other events such as combat and scale. There will even be some "lights out flying" so get those LED's on your plane.

The cost will be \$15.00 for flyers and \$5.00 for spectators. The price will include food and beverages. We are going to need help the day of the event to handle registration, frequency control, admission, etc. We will have sign up sheets at the next meeting.

Notes Barnstormers General Meeting

October 9, 2006

ATTENDANCE

There were 36 members present including visitor-converted-new-member, **Brian Norquist**. Brian has an old model he would like to take to the air and is looking for some guidance. Welcome Brian!

OFFICER REPORTS

President: Jim Scahill reminded everyone of the upcoming elections. Nominations would be taken tonight and elections held in November.

Vice President: Orvil Fluharty said the Spektrum radio would go home with someone else tonight, thanks to a bit of extra money in the treasury this year. Also, the rollover for next month will be an E-Flite Blade CX, for which there will also be a winner! The door prizes for the evening would be 2 SPADfest hats, a soldering iron, and a 1200mh 3 cell Li-Po battery from True RC.

Treasurer: Bob Elsner reminded members it was not to late to renew your membership!. He also reported that the Hobby Expo would be held on October 21st and 22nd at the conference center in Rosemont. Dave West added you could go on-line for a \$2 off coupon and you could save a lot by parking in the nearby CTA lot.

Secretary: Scott Taylor filled in for Ruth Egging in her absence, and was quoted as saying "Where's Ruth!" Scott also had some

extra newsletters and said October newsletters were mailed late but should arrive in a day or so.

COMMITTEES

Fun-Fly: Dave West reported on the Fun Fly between the Barnstormers and the Propmasters. This year the event was at our field and the Propmasters got to pick the event. They chose a modified bomb drop event that included some ground handling. There was a good turn out from both clubs and the event was very competitive. In the end, the Barnstormers place with a strong second place. **Steve Dietrich, Jeff Peca, Scott Stampfli, John Howe, and Jim Paroline** were the top place pilots from the Barnstormers. Many thanks to Jim Scahill for doing the cooking, and thanks to Ron Hilger for bringing some delicious watermelon.

Due to the September fun fly being rained out, a new event was scheduled for October 15th. This event for October will be the wiffle ball touch and go. There will be 5 passes and a spot landing. And as always, food and prizes!

Flight Instruction: **Jim Scahill** said flight instruction would continue weather permitting. Jim also presented **Roland Gibbs** with a solo certificate after demonstrating his mastery of model flight.

Safety: Mike Cannata reported it was necessary to educate a pilot about flying over the pits. He reminded everyone that all portions of flight must occur beyond the flight line and within the field boundaries posted on the bulletin board at the head of the path.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Dome Flying: Mert Mischnick announced one correction to the meeting notes. The Thursday night fun fly is free to members on fun fly days, but the normal \$10 fee applies the other Thursday nights. Mert sent around a signup sheet for help with fun flys and in general.

Jeff Peca said the first "All Night" dome fly will be held on December 2nd from 11:00pm until 5:00am. He is expecting to get about 100 pilots register for the event and is looking for volunteers to help with registration, security, and frequency control. A planning meeting is set for November 2nd.

Nominations: Nominations for office were taken during the meeting. Many were called but few were chosen. At the end of the

nomination process, Scott Taylor and Mert Mischnick were still standing for President, Steve Dietrich and Debbie Howe were nominated (in their absence) for Vice President, Bob Elsner agreed to run for Treasurer, and Scott Taylor and Ruth Egging (in her absence)

PLANES

Ron Hilger brought in a Model Airplane Engineering (.com) twin powered kit that he completed. His plane is powered by two CD-ROM motors. It weights in around 12 ounces and will fly about 12 minutes.

Tom Lyons had a Scott Hurley design to show off. It was a delta foam flyer with an EPT foam fuselage. Flight control is through the use of elevons.

PRIZES

Turkey: Ron Hilger **Door Prizes:** Hats - Tom Lyons and Juan Larios; Soldering Iron - Bob Babyar; Battery pack – Jim Lewis. **Rollover:** The rollover prize of a Spektrum radio was taken home, unfortunately, the winner was not noted (but it was not me! Ed.).

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