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## Coming in February and March

February 12<sup>th</sup>, Club Member Meeting, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

February 15<sup>th</sup>, Dome Fun-Fly, 11:00pm – 1:00am, White Pines Golf Dome

February 26<sup>th</sup>, Board of Directors, 7:00pm, Bloomingdale Library

March 10<sup>th</sup>, Dome All Nighter, 11:00pm – 5:00am, White Pines Golf Dome

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## The Big Raffles Continue!

Continuing with our “Share the Wealth” philosophy, the raffle prize for the month of February will be the new Spektrum DX7 radio!

Whether you're a dome flyer or prefer the great outdoors, this radio will fit your needs. Equipped with the latest 2.4GHz dual channel technology for reliable control at greater distances, this radio does it all.

Some of the key features include:

- 20-Model memory
- Airplane and Heli software
- Switch assignment
- P-mixes
- Includes 4 powerful DS821 digital servos with high-tech resin gears
- 3-axis dual rate & expo
- 3-position flap (Airplane)
- 5-point throttle curve (Heli)
- 3 flight modes plus hold (Heli)
- Gyro programming (Heli)
- CCPM, 2-servo 90°, 3-servo 90°, & 3-servo 120°
- Configured to default to airplane model type (all heli programming is available)

- Large easy to read display.

Some lucky member is going to take this radio home with them. We will be pulling numbers until we find the magic combination that finds this radio a new home.



Squares for the raffle cost \$1 each and members can purchase an unlimited number of squares. This radio has a street price of \$350, so don't miss your chance to win one for just a few dollars!

# Barnstormer Logo Design Contest

If you missed the last meeting, you missed the talk of designing a new logo to take us into the future. We have big plans to purchase shirts, jackets and hats this year, and we want them to look nice.

Our old logo is unique, but when reproduced, the club name is very hard to read. So, the goal is to come up with a new logo with a fresh look and readable text, but one that retains the spirit of the "Barnstormers".

Have you got an idea? Great! Bring it to the February meeting and show it off to the club. Maybe it's an update of the old logo and maybe it's totally new. Maybe it's

black and white or maybe it has all the colors of the rainbow. Don't have a computer? That's OK, a great idea in a sketch could be the winner and turned into a great graphic by some talented member!

All entries will be judged by the members present, and the winner will take home a jacket showing off your great new design (not at the February meeting, of course).

We were shown some neat ideas at the last Board meeting, so we know some of you are thinking. Don't sit by the sidelines, participate!

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## Schedule Of Events For 2007

January 1<sup>st</sup> Noon Fun-Fly  
January 8<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting  
January 11<sup>th</sup> Dome Fun Fly  
January 22<sup>nd</sup> Board Meeting  
February 12<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting  
February 15<sup>th</sup> Dome Fun Fly  
February 26<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting  
March 10<sup>th</sup> Dome All Nighter  
March 12<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting  
March 15<sup>th</sup> Dome Fun Fly  
March 26<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting  
April 7<sup>th</sup> Swap Shop  
April 9<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting

April 12<sup>th</sup> Dome Fun Fly  
April 23<sup>rd</sup> Board Meeting  
May 14<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting  
May 20<sup>th</sup> Fun Fly # 1  
June 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> Spad Fest  
June 10<sup>th</sup> Giant Fun Fly #1  
June 11<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting  
June 24<sup>th</sup> Fun Fly # 2  
July 9<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting  
July 15<sup>th</sup> Fun Fly # 3  
Aug. 5<sup>th</sup> Fun Fly # 4  
Aug. 13<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting  
Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> Giant Fun Fly # 2

Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> Fun Fly # 5  
Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting  
Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> PropMaster Fun Fly  
Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting  
Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting  
Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> Board Meeting  
Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting  
Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> Dome Fun Fly  
Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting  
Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> Christmas Meeting  
Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> Dome Fun Fly  
Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting

All meetings start at 7:00 p.m. at the Bloomingdale Public Library. The Bensenville Golf Dome is open for flying Nov-April, Thurs., Fri. & Sat. 11:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Thursday is Barnstormers only.

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## Time to Renew

If you haven't renewed your membership, now is a great time. As a 2006 member, you will continue to receive benefits through March. But come March, it all ends. No more newsletter, no more fun flies, no more door prizes, no more great rollover raffles, no more turkeys, no more

fun! Just look at that list of events above. So don't miss a minute of the excitement, bring in your application to the next meeting! Can't make the meeting? Send your application to Suburban RC Barnstormers, PO Box 524, Bloomingdale, IL, 60108.

## Board Approves Increase in Fun Fly Raffle Prizes

At the January Board meeting, the Board discussed and approved an increase in the amount of money to be spent on prizes for the next dome fun fly. Currently, we have budgeted \$100 per fun fly. As long as the club remains on solid financial ground increases will be approved on a month-by-

month basis. The Board has approved \$200 to be spent on prizes for participants at the Dome Fun Fly on February 15<sup>th</sup>. Just one more reason to participate in the club events. Do we give you your money's worth or what! Here are a couple photos of prizes you could win at the next fun fly.



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## Notes of the Barnstormers Membership Meeting

January 8, 2007

### ATTENDANCE

There were 47 members in attendance. Two of those were new members, Nancy Gazdziak and Larry Dodd. Larry spent 47 years with United and is now looked for a little indoor flying instead. Also present was former but visiting member Steve Wolski. Welcome everyone!

### OFFICER REPORTS

**President: Mert Mischnick** talked about the fun fly competition between our club and the Propmasters. This year they will be hosting the event, but what the event will be, is our choice. We would like to make a decision before spring so members can prepare and practice. We are looking for event suggestions. (Jeff Peca has already put his vote in for the Wiffle Ball Touch and Go).

Mert was also looking for volunteers to make coffee and bring the doughnuts to the meeting. Ray Rohde has been bringing doughnuts and volunteered to continue. Thanks Ray!!

**Vice President: Steve Dietrich** said the door prize was a cordless soldering iron. In addition, Jerry Jeske has been cleaning house and brought in a completed RV-4 model with OS 40 FP engine that he donated as an additional door prize. A big thank you to Jerry for his very generous gift.

Steve also asked the members about their interest in getting some new shirts, caps, and/or jackets. The members expressed a strong interest.

**Treasurer: Bob Elsner** reported a current balance of \$6383. Bob also added that we are working on the schedule of events for 2007 and should have dates to share at the next meeting.

**Secretary: Scott Taylor** passed out some membership cards to renewing members that were present. Scott also pointed out he intends to use the newsletter to distribute membership cards most of the time. If you get

a newsletter in the mail, but you normally get the newsletter via email, make sure you open it up. Your membership card will likely be inside!

## COMMITTEES

**Fun-Fly: Ron Hilger** said that he had 5 Cox Ready to Fly planes to give away among the prizes for the next indoor fun fly. The next event was going to be a combat event using streamers.

## GENERAL BUSINESS

**New Logo and Clothing:** Mert asked the membership about interest in getting some new shirts, hats, and/or jackets with our club logo. There were some opinions expressed at the Board meeting that our logo was difficult to read, so it was suggested we consider making some changes to the logo. After some discussion, Orvil Fluharty made a motion to have a competition for a new logo. Entries would be submitted at the February meeting and reviewed and judged by the members. The designer of the winning logo will be given a jacket with his handiwork adorned on it. The motion was seconded and approved by the members.

Mert said anyone with connections on clothing and embroidery should let the Board know.

**Board Members at Large:** Mert said that our November election filled the officer's seats, but that several Committee and open Board positions remained to be filled. Nominations were taken from the floor. Because we have been doing Fun Flies year 'round, we split the Fun Fly Chairmanship into an Indoor and Outdoor position. Ron Hilger was nominated for indoor FF Chair, and Scott Hurley for outdoor FF Chair. Tom Lyons accepted a nomination for Safety Chairman, and Jeff Peca and Glen LaRocco accepted nominations for the open Board positions. A motion was made to accept all of the nominated candidates with a single vote. The motion was seconded and the nominees unanimously accepted (Jim Scahill was absent!).

**Dome Flying: Scott Hurley** talked about the all-night electric dome fly (Dome eNighter) event planned for March 10<sup>th</sup>. This will be like the event we held in December. He will be looking for help with security, ticket sales, food, and setup. Many of the members have already volunteered. Scott also had some event flyers and was looking for some help to distribute them.

**SPAD Fest: Scott Hurley** also talked about SPAD Fest being held in Des Moines, Iowa this year. Early registration fee for the event is \$20 and he would like to see a good turn out to show our support.

**Swap Shop: Debbie Howe** talked about the club swap shop that will be held on Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup>. The swap will be held at the fairgrounds, but there was a problem with the room reservation. Because of that, we will not have the building we usually have, we will have half of the large building. One half will be our show and the other half will be a cat show (from 10am-3pm). Toledo will be the week after our swap, which should be to our benefit. Set up will be on Friday from 4pm-5pm.

Debbie also discussed the raffle. There was some discussion about having the usual cash prize raffle or having a 50%-50% raffle instead. It was finally decided to try the 50-50 this year.

## PLANES

**Jerry Jeske** show the club his completed RV-4 kit with OS 40 FP airplane. The plane has a 6oz fuel tank, remote glow starter wire, pitts style muffler, and servos. All of this to be given to one lucky member! A big thank you to Jerry!

## PRIZES

**Door Prizes: Wilhelm Janisch** was the lucky winner of the cordless soldering iron and **Ralph Niedzwiecki** won Jerry's RV-4. **Rollover:** The rollover prize of the Blade CX2 chopper went to **Ron Hilger**.

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