



The Exhaust Port

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Calendar:

Club Meeting
March 16 7:00PM
Avon Community Cabin
2051 Eaton Dr.
Avon Ohio 44011

Toledo Exposition
April 13-15
Toledo Exposition
Toledo Ohio
www.toledoshow.com

Field Work party
April 28

Next Meeting:

The next club meeting is on March 16 at the Avon community cabin. We have been trying to move the spring meeting out closer to the flying season for a little while. This way we can talk and plan for the maintenance of the fields and try to get more people to show up for field work in the spring.

For the next meeting we are planning several mini-programs.

One program will be on electrics and batteries. Bring your electric stuff, and electric questions. A second program on application of .73oz fiberglass, and a third on helicopter set up. You will be able to pick the corner of interest to you. The goal is then to keep the business meeting short.

Fun Fly:



The news year fun fly was a success. Of course it's a success there is nothing that you can do wrong. Several members did cause an aircraft to become airborne. When the rains came we took shelter in the Mini-Storage.

At the next meeting we need some club members to step up and host a fun fly. The electric fly was great. There is still a desire to hold a military fly in. We could also have an 'opening day' fly at the Eaton field. Please bring you ideas to the meeting.

Field Status:

The field work this year will be an ongoing issue. The Avon field will need work and we can plan to do something there about April 28/29. Any earlier and the ground is still too wet to do much.

The work on a new field in Eaton will be a problem. The weather probably won't clear till early June.

We need dry conditions to get back into the area we want to use. Ted tried to get there this fall and needed to be towed out of the mud. March still has snow in it. April never stops raining; May has too much wind for a kite fly. So the second week of June may be the earliest we can grade of the field and lay a runway

Call for Pictures:

Ted wants pictures. He has a secret plan (hall of fame / wall of shame) and as asked to call on the club members for photos of your projects and the flying of our favorite plane. Old pics and new stuff is great. He'll take printed photos or digital if you have them. If you have questions about what might be usable call **Ted Kolozsvary** (440) 353-3549

Web Site:

Al Smith

<http://members.cox.net/westlakerc/>

The Westlake RC website is up and running. It is linked on the AMA site and is currently being hosted on my Internet providers free web space. So if you or if you know of someone who could host our site, please e-mail me. There is info on the site indicating what my thought on the ideal hosting site is.

There is some content on the site. However, much still needs to be done and I would like to ask you to help where you can. As you browse it, you'll see various to do notices. Maybe one of those areas you could help with or maybe I totally left out an area you would like added.

Helicopter hoverers, you know who you are, what would you like to see there? I would like to see something

about how to do it, how to start learning. Some beginner helicopters, etc. Who are some heli contacts?

Builders, some ideas, picture stories, etc.

I'm the webmaster, not the content provider. (I certainly will help with content where I can though.) I think Bones on Star Trek coined the phrase, I'm a Webmaster, er, make that Doctor.

My priorities are getting content in place based on our needs. What you see now was based on me visiting many club web sites and accumulating a list of what they had. We can certainly add to or subtract from what I have done. My general thought is the site is for us and to tell others about us and generate interest in model flying machines. I would suggest that you visit other sites to help with your own ideas. Start from the AMA's club links.

www.modelaircraft.org/clublinks.asp

As content is being completed, my next priority, based on our members needs, I will do what I can to optimize the site. What I mean by this is what is the base computer that our members are using and am I taking advantage of that the best I can. I planned that most people have a 1024x768 resolution monitor or better and a high speed connection. The screen size is being logged by the counter that is at the bottom of the home page. Click on it if you wish to see. If you have a dial up connection, the pictures may be a bit slow. So if you have problems, e-mail me, and let me know.

My third priority is to make the site appealing to the viewer. It is OK now but could be better. Since content will tend to drive the sites architecture and look, this final priority is down the runway a ways.

The site has limited storage so we cannot place video on it. There is enough storage for many still pictures. I plan to take pictures at various events, so if you do not want your mug shot to be on the Internet, let me know. If you are a shutter bug and want to share your pictures with others, e-mail the best ones to me and I'll post. Again, we are limited in space but we should have plenty of space to cover all upcoming events this year.

I hope you enjoy what is there and are able to participate in making it better through a little work or sharing your wisdom and thoughts with others.



All Season Flyers:

Congratulations are in order for the intrepid all season flyers. These are the driven among us who fly in all weather. The cold and wind of spring and the heat of summer doesn't deter them from going airborne.

Ray Doan 16 years
Mike Freidner 9 years
Bob Kleinhenz 8 years
Joe Gross 9 years

If you want to join the die-hards you have to fly at least once in each month of a calendar year. To get credit for this feat you have to report the date you flew to **'Rudder Bob' Kleinhenz** at (440) 892-1029 within the month. Don't expect to call Bob in December and say you flew each month and get credit.

Roster

Included with the news letter is a current copy of the club roster. This publishing includes the email address for those members that we know have addresses. If you have an e-mail address and it not on the

roster please contact your secretary at davecook@bright.net and we can include it. The email route has proven the fastest way get information to club members.

For Sale

The club has several unique items for sale:

Hats with club patch	\$9.00
Patch for jackets	\$4.00
Club Fuel (gallons)	
10%	\$13.00
15%	\$15.00

The contact for all purchased items is **Bud Bornemann** (440)327-2210. Call him if you are interested and set up a time to make the exchange.

New Products:

There are some new products on the market that are of interest. Horizon Hobby is introducing the DX7 2.4Ghz system. The DX6 Spektrum has been popular with the electric crowd because of small light receivers with a short antenna. The new radio is now approved for use on the large 2/4 stroke airplanes. The system is unique when compared with the 1991 radios that we are familiar with. There is no frequency channel to be assigned. The transmitter and receiver 'sync up' when they are turned on and don't conflict with each other when in use. This means that flyers with these radios will not be under the same frequency control that those with 72Mhz. 27Mhz. and ham radios are.

I have a DVD from Horizon that explains this nicely. Contact me at davecook@bright.net and I can get this to you or make copy.