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JANUARY 2009

UNOFFICIAL DECEMBER MEETING MINUTES

See the November issue of Contact for the December Meeting Minutes...



2008 CLUB DUES REMINDER

ARTICLE 8: DUES

1. The annual dues to be paid to the Club shall be determined by the Club officers with the approval of a simple majority vote. Dues are non-refundable, except under extraordinary circumstances, which will be determined by the Board of Directors on a case-by case basis. Dues are to be paid no later than the January Club meeting.
2. All new members are to be assessed a \$10.00 initiation fee upon their acceptance. The initiation fee is not refundable. A.M.A. Junior members (age 15 or younger) are exempt from this fee.
3. Dues are \$60.00 per year for A.M.A. Open members and \$25.00 for A.M.A. Youth members (those not 19 by July 1). Members age 65 or older by July 1 will be assessed \$35.00. No dues are assessed for Junior members when a parent or guardian holds an Open Club membership.
4. All dues are payable in advance by November 30 of each year. **Members who do not pay their dues by December 31 will be listed in the January newsletter.** Any members who do not pay their dues by January 31 will be dropped from the Club membership.
- 5 Dues for new members joining prior to September 1 will be for the full year amount. Dues for members joining after September 1 will be prorated at \$5.00 per month for each month remaining in that year.
6. Members dropped from the Club for non-payment of dues may be reinstated after paying the annual dues plus the \$10.00 late fee.
7. The Club can secure an A.M.A. membership for new members if they wish for the additional A.M.A. membership cost.
8. No special assessment shall be levied upon the Club membership, unless it is approved by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) majority of the members present at the regular monthly meeting, and the members have been given five (5) days prior notice along with an explanation of the assessment.

According to Club Treasurer Elliott Smith, as of January 2nd, 8 Club Members have not submitted their 2008 Club Dues.

REMINDER continued...

Editor's Note: Club Members not paid to date are:

- Bushey
- Cook (Resigned)
- Weidman

Please address this situation and send your Club Application and dues to Elliott Smith ASAP!

Your Club needs you for all that you contribute, be that volunteer work or just plain camaraderie at meetings or at the field!

Dues can be paid at the Jan 21 meeting or mailed to the Club Treasurer, Elliott Smith 2908 Mattahoon Road, Wilmington, DE 19808



Newsletter Submission Policy

Submission must be in by the end of the month to be included in the next month's issue. I would be happy to include submissions such as but not limited to; Kit, Engine, Radio reviews, funny or dramatic incidents at the field, items for sale, aviation articles, both model and full scale, pictures of your latest creation. Member profiles, etc.

FOR SUBMISSIONS, COMPLAINTS, OR COMMENTS

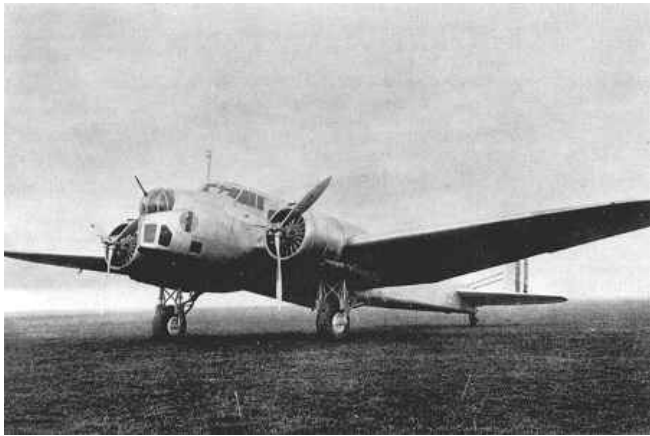
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January 9th... William Bushey
January 11th... Craig Reynolds
January 25th... Bob McDonald

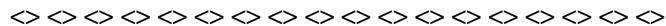


DECEMBER'S MYSTERY AIRCRAFT



Boy, do I have egg on my face... I **really** need someone to identify December's Mystery Aircraft as it seems I have misplaced my notes on the aircraft manufacturer and don't have a clue on who/what it is... So this is a true "Mystery Aircraft!"

JANUARY'S MYSTERY AIRCRAFT



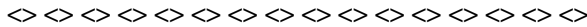
AREA EVENTS



The events listed, as well as others, can be found at your AMA's Contest Calendar Site on the WWW: go to URL: <http://www.modelaircraft.org/events/calendar.aspx> or the IMAA site at <http://www.fly-ima.org/ima/events/index.html>
Others listed are from club newsletters or flyers

Central Penn Aeromodelers Assoc 29th Annual Radio Control Flea Market

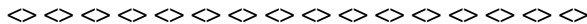
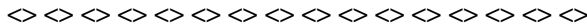
3/14/09 - Lebanon, PA (E) Central Penn Aeromodelers Assoc 29th Annual Radio Control Flea Market. Site: Lebanon Fairgrounds. For Info: Frank PH:717-412-8579. 7am table renters - tables \$11 each, wall tables \$17 each, General admission 9am, Admission \$7.
Sponsor: CENTRAL PENN AEROMODELERS ASSOC



AREA EVENTS



2009 Tri-County Wing Snappers Hamburg Swap Meet
3/28/09 - Hamburg, PA (E) 2009 Tri-County Wing Snappers Hamburg Swap Meet. Site: Hamburg Union Fire Co No1. For Info: Lee Buskirk PH: 610-751-1464 email: lbjms@verizon.net. 200+ tables, open to public 8am, Setup 7am, table \$7, wall table \$12, admission \$5, Breakfast/lunch/snacks. Visit www.tcws.org.
Sponsor: TRI COUNTY WING SNAPPERS



Tips & Tricks



Model Doctor #11

When cutting Monocote type covering material, try a Farber-Castell Uni-Ball pen to mark the covering where you want your cuts. These type of pens will actually write on the covering and the marks will wash off with a damp cloth.

Model Doctor #12

The job of cutting Monocote type covering material with an X-acto knife is made much easier when you lay the covering material on a thick bed of newspaper. The newspaper allows the X-acto blade to completely penetrate the covering material, and you will get straight, smooth, even cuts every time.

Model Doctor #16

After cutting threads in wood with a tap (for wing hold down bolts, for example) saturate the hole with thin CA to "case harden" the threads. You will have to run the tap through one more time after the CA sets to clean up the threads. The threads will now last longer than the airframe.

Model Doctor #19

The black plastic propellers made by Master Airscrew take a lot of punishment without breaking. That makes 'em great for beginners. While we are on the subject of propellers, it's a good idea to paint the tips of your propellers white. You can see the propeller arc easily this way, and better protect body parts (your body, that is). While you are at it, you can use the white paint as an aid in balancing your propellers (the white paint doesn't have to be on both sides of the propeller).

Model Doctor #21

Bamboo chopsticks with their ends carved to a thin paddle shape make excellent epoxy stirrers. Wipe off the excess epoxy as you go, and they will last forever.
Source: <http://www.sacramento-rc-flyers.org/modeldoctor.html>

Until next month,

Tim Mihalski, Editor

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JANUARY'S MYSTERY AIRCRAFT

A mystery aircraft for you to ponder... you can read all about this mystery ship in February's issue of Contact...*and that's a promise!*



IMPORTANT REMINDERS...

JANUARY CLUB MEETING

Monday 7:00 P.M. 01/19/09@Stahl American Legion Post

FEBRUARY CLUB MEETING

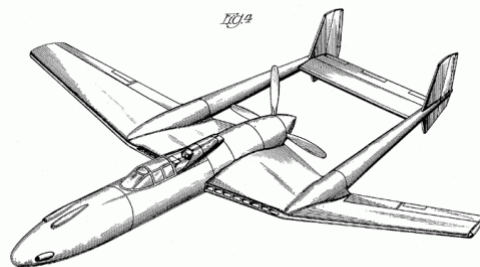
Monday 7:00 P.M. 02/16/09@Stahl American Legion Post

MARCH CLUB MEETING

Monday 7:00 P.M. 03/16/09@Stahl American Legion Post



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