



From the President

I'll start this month by thanking Rich Perry for organizing the Club's first sanctioned event of the year, pylon racing. We had a good number of members signed up for the racing and even more supporting the event in some way. It appeared as though all were enjoying their day at the field, I know I certainly did. A more detailed recap is elsewhere in the newsletter. Next up on our calendar is the IMAC contest and I hope you will support Bert Sutton as you did Rich.



Pylon racers at the pilots meeting.

Great news for all of us - a few days ago we signed a long term lease with the Drakes. If you were at the May meeting, the final details were very similar to the scenario I labeled as "Possible Final". I'd definitely describe it as a "Win-Win" outcome, good for both parties. I'll report more of the details at the next meeting. Thanks to the other board members for the additions and refinements to the final lease.

New Members

Jim Rugh

Charlie Schoonover

Next Meeting

Wednesday June 13th, 2007

Board meeting June 7th

Upcoming Events

Colby RC Flyers Fun Fly

June 9th—10th

Pluckrose Memorial Fly-In

June 16th

IMAC June 16th & 17th

Central Nebraska Fun Fly

June 22nd—24th

Heli Fun Fly June 29th– July 1st

Swap Meet/Picnic/Swamphang

July 15th

Central Wyoming Fly-In

July 20th—22nd

Big Bird Festival Aug 17th—19th

Jet Fun Fly Sept 8th

Warbirds Over the Rockies

Sept 21st—23rd

New Year's Frost Fly Jan 1st

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It is the time of year again when we all must pay for the privilege of being a LoveAir member. Membership ends June 30th. Make checks payable to LoveAir. Frank will collect payment at the meeting or send a check along with a copy of your national AMA membership card to: Frank Ostermiller

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The Aerial View continued

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Back to the May meeting...well we certainly had some lively discussion. I kicked it off by posing (for the second month in a row) a question about making some major improvements to the runway. At that time it was "IF" we get a long term lease what would you think about extending and widening the runway? The good thing is we got people thinking and talking about our future and what might be possible. I ended the meeting by promising to work on the lease and bring more details about the costs for possible runway improvement. The lease is a done deal so we now can look forward to as many as 15 years at our current site. By the meeting we will have several paving quotes to review. Guaranteed we will discuss this same topic at the June meeting. If you have an opinion and want a say (or vote) in how we proceed then you will want to be at the June meeting.

June Program

I think that after two failed efforts we will finally hook up with Steve Cowell and hear about his fully restored "Double-Vee". We'll keep the same meeting format in which the program will be in the first hour and the business in the second hour. It should be an interesting evening.

June Drawing: Fromenco TNC Tachometer

"The best Tach on the market - bar none! Stand back several feet and safely take your reading of the 5 digit display. High quality optical sensor locks on in various lighting condition from about 5 feet away. Available Store Direct - Worth the price \$89.99"

<http://donshobbyshop.com/index.html>

Hope to see you at the field or the meeting!

Mark Smith



For Sale by H.K. Johnson 330-4867

- Piper PA22 "Tripacr": 63" span with flaps, O.S. 46 engine with Pitts-style muffler. Includes a Futaba T6XA radio system and buddy cord. \$225

- Piper PA38 "Tomahawk" kit new in box. 72" span with flaps. Engine size .36 to .50. Futaba R127DF receiver, NR4J battery pack, and 5 each 3003 servos included. \$125

For Sale by Lloyd McConnell 330-5101

- Aeroworks 31% Sukoi SU31 Builder's Kit 101" span, 87" length. Engine - 3.7 to 6.0 CUI (100cc). \$350

It is free to list items for sale in the newsletter. Contact the editor with the items for sale.

Love Air Club Meeting, May 9, 2007

Called to order at 7:10 PM by Mark Smith, Pres.

Guests and new members were recognized. .

Moved, seconded and approved the April meeting minutes.

The pylon races are this Saturday. Lunches will be sold at the field.

Show & Tell

Ron Colson got to fly in two different Extra 300L aircraft at Fighter Combat International in (over) Mesa, Arizona. They flew simulated combat and a lot of acrobatics. Sounds like an awesome time.

Brian O'Meara and Mike Harrington went to Toledo and saw some fantastic flying.

Brian presented an update on Warbirds Over The Rockies. Several big names are coming including a world champion jet pilot. Brian already has several thousand dollars worth of donated prizes. Sponsors include ACE, Kyushu, Balsa USA and others. Model Airplane News is also sponsoring the event with significant advertising.



Members in attendance.



Some of the prizes



Brian with MAN issue containing full page WOTR ad



Mark and his Ultra Sport

Mark Smith presented an ultra-sport 1000 that he overhauled. He suggests pulling the covering off of an old plane if you need to learn how to install covering. Mark made a template for the four color scheme before cutting any covering. It now has a Saito 1.80 which is about the 6th engine over 15 years and three owners. It has new covering, canopy, cowl, rudder, and engine. Most of the airframe is original. Mark looks over the model magazines and the internet for "paint scheme" ideas then designs on a computer to see the overall look before cutting any covering.



Mark has shown how to modify an older model. With a little imagination and a goal, you can make a real nice looking airplane without a lot of financial investment.



BUSINESS MEETING

Treasurers report. Motion made, seconded and unanimously approved the report.

Please contact Joel if you would like more details.

Money has gone out for Big Bird and Warbirds advertising and purchasing airplane parts. Money also went out to cover up front expenses for the Heli event. This will come back to the club after the events. Qwest and Waste Management were paid. A first aid kit and locks were purchased for the field.

Mark Smith presented a new field lease proposal.

(Financial details are omitted from the version of the minutes published on the web. Please contact Durbin seid1956@yahoo.com in advance of the next meeting if, as a club member, you want the full version of the notes. Copies of this section will be available at the next club meeting as well.)

Mark asks for approval from the membership to allow the board to finish the negotiation of a new long term lease based on Mark's presentation. There was unanimous approval by a vote of the membership. This includes the parking area west of the ditch.

Now, contingent upon this new long term lease in place, we would like to discuss some field improvements. This is now like a new site for the club.

What is the reason for improvements? There was quite a bit of discussion pro and con.

The runway needs to be longer for very big airplanes. It would be desirable for pattern planes. It is generally not at all necessary for .40 size planes. There has, however, been lots of damage to student's airplanes running off the end of the runway and ripping off landing gears.

Mark would like to do these runway improvements to make a good first impression at the Warbird event. We could repay it over just a few years with proceeds from the Warbird event.

Note that Jeffco's E/W runway is 800'.

Note also that the bylaws state that certain money is used for field relocation. Some want to spend now who don't remember the expense and trouble we had finding and developing the current field. Any investment has some risk but a 15 year lease lowers the risk.

Comment from Brian: If a few fliers damage planes there would be a big impact on them not coming back next year. The event might just implode on itself. Can we do a partial thing this year for low dollars and do improvements later? The event is getting much bigger than originally expected. There are bigger pilots and planes coming from around the world. Extending the runway would be a big plus and a 100' total extension would be a minimum.

The board needs to make a formal proposal.

It was pointed out that we already have a big Big Bird event, a heli event, and now a Warbird event. So, we do have large events- we have already gone down the path of national exposure and beyond a "sport flier" club.

Respectfully,

Durbin Seidel- Secretary

Copies of the board meeting minutes are available to LoveAir members.

Sanctioned Pylon Race Event by Rich Perry

This was the first official AMA class racing event ever held at Love-air. My decision to bring this contest to the club, came about from the interest and excitement generated by the fun races last year. The difference with the AMA classes are the addition of a 3rd pylon, and the pilots are flying positioned in the middle of the triangular course. The 3 classes flown were Skyraiders, AMA 424 and AMA 428. AMA 424 and 428 are both Quickie 500 with class 424 having more engine restrictions than 428. As everyone in attendance witnessed, the 428 class (Nelson, Jett engines) are quite fast. The Skyraiders being an entry level sport class utilizing a forgiving airframe with engine restrictions placing emphasis on pilot skill over expensive equipment. We were treated to absolutely perfect spring weather and things got rolling around 10:00 a.m. after gorging ourselves on complimentary doughnuts and coffee. We decided to try and get in 5 rounds of each class.

The first class to fly were the Skyraiders followed by 424 then 428. It is always a little nerve racking the first time on the course and especially the first race of the day but our pilots were up for the challenge. Our very own President, Mark Smith came in 2nd place in his first race to set the tone for the rest of his day. Great flying Mark! He would end up being tied for 4th place in this class. Other local favorites Andy Rutkoski, Andy Hiller, Mike Maxwell, and Dennis Spencer faired well but the seasoned veterans of Brian Neff, Alan Thovsen, Brian G. and JJ Jugailas made it tough on the rookies and took many of the points. One interesting note, Andy Hiller lost his plane after launch as he thought he would try flying someone else's! Another reason to personalize your airplanes colors and make it visible. I want to thank everyone who entered this class. This was a large turnout and I hope the first timers will continue to race. (10 entries)



Aircraft identification



And they're off!

Results : 1st place Brian Neff
2nd place Alan Thovsen
3rd place Brian G.

AMA event 424 was lighter attended (5 entries), as expected but overall very competitive. This class allows a typical Quickie 500 airframe but only Thunder tiger .40's are allowed. They are no means slow! With the 9-6 prop spinning 17,000 rpm these planes travel from 110-120 mph.

This is a great step up in performance from the Skyraiders and these planes are easier to fly around the course. Heat 1 included one of my old time pylon friends Duane Gall. Having written the racing column for Model Aviation for close to a decade he is always a tough customer on the course. He won this first heat followed by JJ Jugailas in 2nd and Brian G. in 3rd. The last round of this class proved to be interesting. Heat 1 round 4 (the last round flown) pitted Duane, Brian, and Rich Perry against each other. This last race would determine 1st place for the event. This is what it is all about! I felt confident going in as my plane flew great all day, but being busy with CD duties I forgot to check my RX battery voltage and I lost my plane after passing pylon 1 to the dirt gods! Hence this determined this event. (5 entries)

Results : 1st Place Duane Gall
2nd place Brian G.
3rd place Rich Perry



What fast airplanes do to some people.

Now for the Fast ones! AMA event 428. I think that just about everyone present was impressed with the speed of the planes in this class. This event is not for the faint of heart as these aircraft can round the 2.5 mile (10 laps) course in 1 minute! Last year from the events I had attended, Brian Neff was the guy to beat. That still seemed to be the case this year, but when I saw how good Kurt Bozarth was flying I thought he would take it all for sure. Pylon racing is all about smooth flying (and keeping your plane together!) and Kurt was flying very smooth all day. He was able to come up the day before and practice on the course. One pilot that may have been overlooked though was Mike Farnsworth. With only one 2nd place finish all day he would come through as the victor. Congratulations Mike on a well deserved victory! With the weather rolling in and the wind causing havoc with the launching of the last 2 heats we stopped flying after 4 rounds. (6 entries)

Results : 1st place Mike Farnsworth

2nd place Kurt Bozarth

3rd place Brian Neff

I would like to thank the club for allowing us racers the opportunity to bring real AMA racing to Love-air. Also I can not say enough about the help that I had in organizing and running the event to allow it to run so smoothly. Ron Colson and Phil Nuckles did an outstanding job with concessions as did Mike Harrington with the PA system. The music between rounds was a great touch. Also to Richard James, Andy Hiller, and the "Greeley Guys" (Harry, Lynn, Ed, and Leonard) for working pylon 1. Without the workers this would not be possible and I thank all of you very much.

Until next year- Go fast and turn left!

Regards,

Rich Perry CD



The "Greeley Guys"



Take off!



Heading for the first pylon



Concentration



Tracking 1st place



Chow time!



Concentrating on the wrong airplane

Fun Activities

The listed events are fairly local. Go out and enjoy visiting other flying sites and fellow modelers.

RC FUN FLY

June 9 & 10 2007

(Saturday & Sunday) Daylight to Dusk Both Days

Colby, KS At The Club's Flying Field: From the intersection of Hwy 24 & Hwy 25 in Colby, KS, 7 miles north on Hwy 25, 1/8th mile east. Or: 5 miles south of the Rawlins/Thomas County line on Hwy 25. (39° 29' 42" N, 101° 03' 07" W)

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO WATCH THE ACTION FREE

Open Flying, Flying contests (Spot Drops, Spot Landings, Limbo, EST.), Non-Competitive "Club 40" Pylon Racing Demonstrations (Fly The Course For Grins)

RAFFLES: World Models Sky Raider Mach II ARF & Lots of other items!
FREE Iced Tea & Water for everyone, Food and soft drinks available for a nominal fee.

A \$5.00 pilot landing fee, good for both days, includes entrance in 3:00 PM daily **DRAWINGS** for many items, must be present to win. An AMA License is required for all pilots. AMA Chartered Club #4565

Two 70 ft. X 420ft. groomed native sod runways, roomy pits with tables, run-up/service platforms, 6 pilot stations, covered shelter, restrooms, convenient parking and a large spectator area.



Free primitive camping & Non-serviced RV Parking at the field is encouraged and welcome, please call in advance, we want to accommodate you. Full Service RV Parks: Bourgain's Old Depot Restaurant RV Park & Campground, 785-462-3300. Motels: Bond Western Crown Motel 785-462-3943, Budget Inn Suites 785-462-3338, Colby Quality Inn 785-462-3933, Comfort Inn 800-794-9492, Country Club Drive Motel 785-462-7568, Days Inn 785-462-8691, Holiday Inn Express 785-462-8767, Motel 6 785-462-6201

For more info: Bob Dible 785-687-2626, Ken Crampton 785-460-0128, David Backus 785-460-6941, Nick Nichols 785-460-6357 or Marvin Farmer 785-460-7767

COLBY RC FLYERS

Casper Airmodelers Central Wyoming Fly-In

July 20, 21, 22 2007




Concessions On Site
\$100 In Door Prizes
600' X 50' Paved Runway
Night Flying
Free Camping (No Hookups)
\$10 Landing Fee
AMA Sanctioned Event (Bring Your AMA Card)

Big Birds, Little Birds, War Birds, Old Timers, Turbines, Helis, Glow, Gas, Electrics

"Bring whatcha got, and let's FLY!"

Casper Airmodelers Flying Field Directions: Take Exit 188A off I-25 and go north on Poplar Street. Turn right on Events Drive, and then left on East Road.

For more information contact Contest Director Bob Yeager at (307) 265-7452.

Come fly with us.

The Love-Air R/C Club is a club organized to enjoy and promote the sport of flying radio controlled models. The club is a chartered member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA), a national organization whose purpose is to promote the sport of model aviation.

Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. at the Ferrero Auto Center located in the Centerra Motorplex.

The annual membership fee is \$60.00 and covers from July 1st through June 30th. Membership cards are issued and a monthly newsletter is sent to each member. Current membership is required to fly at the Love-Air flying site. The club requires that all members who use the club flying field are also current members of the AMA. New members Welcome! Ask any member for information. See a club officer or check the box on the Freq. Board for membership forms.

	Adult	Junior	Family
Annual Dues (1/2 price after Jan 1st)	\$60.00	\$20.00	\$80.00
Runway Assessment (One time only)	\$75.00	-0-	\$75.00

Membership Chairman: Frank Ostermiller (970) 378-7836

Field Weather Station: Phone (970) 686-9026

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Flight instruction is offered at no charge to members. Beginners night will be on Thursday evenings from May

LOVEAIR R/C



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Next meeting is Wed., June 13th