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President's Update...

President's Thoughts

It's hard to believe how fast the summer has just blasted past us, but we have an awesome couple of weeks coming up. This weekend, August 12th will be our annual Fun Fly / Swap Meet event with the Modeleers joining us at Drake Field. Come join us this Saturday for a fun day of flying, swapping things that fly, talking about flying, and eating while watching others fly. We will be selling hamburgers, etc to raise funds for the club, so please plan to join us!

Don't forget that the General Quarters / Battle Stations event is coming up later in the month on August 19th and 20th at Drake Field. For more information, check the website, or contact the Contest Director: Dave Mosier @ (307) 274-7439 – we're looking forward to seeing you at this terrific event!

The board will be meeting on Monday, August 21st to build our annual plan for the upcoming year. Our goal is to have the event schedule set for next year by the October members meeting. If you have any ideas you would like the board to consider, please let one of us know. On that note:

We're considering the possibility of expanding the Huckfest/Cubfest by inviting public spectators. This has the potential to raise a lot of money for the club through parking revenue / food sales / etc. However, it requires a significant portion of the membership volunteer to pull off a successful event by helping prepare the field, park cars, prepare food, and clean up afterwards. If you are interested in seeing the club put on an event like this, and even better, if you would be willing to be a part of the large group of volunteers needed to make this kind of event successful, please send me an email and let me know. (At this stage, we're not looking for committed volunteers – I'm just trying to gauge interest...)

Happy Flying
Paul Mantey
President, NCRC, Inc.



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Next Meeting — Saturday August 12th 2017 @ 9AM

Club Meeting Location: Drake Field





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Unfortunately our secretary was out of town so minutes were not taken at the July meeting. If we have any updates we will send them via email.



2017 Board of Directors

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Club Membership

LARC is moving the membership due date to March 31st this year. The current billing cycle is only for 9 months. Next year will be a full year starting on March 31st.

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.

Annual membership runs from July 1st and ends March 31st. AMA membership must be current throughout the duration of your membership in order to fly.

Annual Dues (July-1st 2017 to March-31st 2018): NEW Annual Due Date Starting April 1st 2018 and will return to annual cycle thereafter.

\$112.50 – Adult

\$131.25 – Family

\$18.75 – Junior (under 18)

Current membership is required to fly at the Love-Air flying site. The club requires that all members who use the club flying field be current members of the AMA. New members are always welcome! It is easy to join and/or pay your dues – just go to the club website and follow the membership link.

Membership Chairman:

Dennis Spencer membership@loveairrc.org

LARC Home Page: www.loveairrc.org





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Every summer in July, the Academy of model aeronautics hosts the national aeromodeling championships. Some events start a week or so earlier, but the majority of the action is the 3rd week in July. I have made it a priority to try to attend every summer if I can. The experience is best summed up by how my lovely girlfriend April described it, "intense camaraderie". She could not have been more correct. While we all prepared to varying degrees to beat each other in our single matches, you could count on anyone present to help in any way possible. From pitting, to lending a prop, giving advice, tactics, or even lending an airplane. These great relationships I have developed attending these competitions have been some of the greatest in my life.

The AMA Nats is hosted every year at the national flying

site in Muncie IN. It is our flying site. As AMA members the site is open to us all year round (if you are close enough!). The trip is around 1200 miles one way. So it takes 2 days, or it should! I drove straight home, which I do not recommend. Along with 8 official flying sites from grass to paved runways and control line circles, AMA headquarters and the museum are located there. There is a nice gift shop in the museum as well. I highly recommend seeing the site at some point if you can. I am not sure of the total size, but I would guess the land would occupy 3 golf courses!



This year I decided to enter 3 different control line combat events. 1/2 A, Speed limit (75 mph), and F2D fat (or .15 fast). 1/2A are the small ones, flown on 42' lines and .049 engines. But forget what

you know about the old Cox engines! These Ukrainian beasts turn 4" props at over 32,000 rpm, and currently 1/2 A is one of the fastest events as far as lap times go. Next is speed limit, which allows any plane, engine, fuel system on 60' lines. The only restriction is you cannot exceed 75 mph or 6.85 sec. for 2 laps. Speed is easy to determine with CL models. You just time them. The next class, and my favorite right now is .15 fast. This class allows .15 engines, on 52' lines. The airplanes seem to have the perfect balance of speed and maneuverability. They are very fast. The Russian engines turn 6.5" props over 34,000 rpm. These are about the highest performing engines available now, other than some of the top pylon racing engines.



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There were a lot of entries this year. 30 or close to that in about every CL combat event. Other than pylon racing and CL stunt, that compares closely with any other events at the Nats this year, including RC. Everyone was happy to see the uptick in attendance, as CL had been down a bit for a number of years. For example 1/2A had 9 entries last year, and was over 20 this year. Even though I am mentioning CL events mostly, it benefits model aviation overall if the numbers are up. These national competitions are what drive product designs, and performance that affect all of us down to the sunday sport flier.

The highlights for me this year: Seeing all of my old friends again is at the top. But I love spending so much time with April on the long road trip. I was very pleased with how my planes performed. They were perfect actually. I cannot blame them for any losses I incurred. Meeting Richard Verano in the

Museum. He was a longtime, top pylon racer, world champ, and world record holder. And

lastly earning a trophy in the .15 fast event. My first Nats trophy, flying against some of the best pilots in the world. While there is luck involved, control line combat is well served by the famous Patton quote.

I think next year I am going to fly Radio controlled scale. Or maybe control line combat as well? I just cannot get enough of this hobby! Rich P.



Pics : April in hobby store at AMA musuem, 1/2 A models staged for battle!, 1/2 A winners, April and I after .15 fast trophy presentation, THE Henry Nelson in a match, .15 Fast Nimbus with a streamer kill on tail, My combat team Jeff Johnson and Rod Christie from Witchita KS. Those guys are the best!





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Elder
New member
Join Date: Nov 2005
Location: Fort Collins, CO
Posts: 343
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Don Smith A-26 Build

Hey all, I'm starting a build thread on a 105" Don Smith A-26. Two of us in northern Colorado are building these at the same time. Also, I'm building mine as my first competitive scale build. Just Sportsman class, but still a scale build.

As a scale build, documentation is key. I'm putting together several pieces. Mine will be built as B-26B "Brown Nose" from 1951 in Korea. Originally built in July of 1945 as an A-26 and saw combat in Korea, which received the designation B-26B. To complicate the confusion, when the plane was flown in Vietnam, it was designated an A-26A/K. Oh well.

Attached is just a couple of shots of the plane I'm modeling.
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Attached Thumbnails

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Model Airfields Database:

<https://www.ma-db.com/index.php>

Chris Douglas A-26 Build:

<http://www.rcuniverse.com/forum/rc-war-birds-warplanes-200/11606145-don-smith-26-build.html>



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Front Range RC Flying Events Calendar for 2017 (Ver 4c)

by Mike Cross – Longmont Associated Modelers Association (LAMA) (July 7, 2017) (AMA on 5 Jan)

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Note 1: This events calendar is very dynamic and being updated frequently, bear with me on changes.

Note 2: Some of these events are not fixed up — verify before you plan to attend.

Note 3: The events with a (C) = are AMA sanctioned events and (I) = are IMAC sanctioned events.

These events were gathered from the AMA Web site calendar, club web sites and emails.

Purple – Newly added event

2017 events

7/08 - Long Lake Float Fly	Arvada Associated Modelers
7/08-09 - (C) Warbirds over Pikes Peak	Pikes Peak RC
7/15-16 - (I) (C) Lamar Steen IMAC	Miniature Aerosportsters Club
7/22 - July BBQ and Evening Flying	Denver RC Eagles
7/22-23 - (C) Big Bird Fun Fly Plus Cross Country Fun Fly LAMA	
7/22 - (C) BIG BIRD FLY-IN	Arvada Associated Modelers
7/23 - Long Lake Float Fly	Arvada Associated Modelers
7/29-30 - (C) Warbirds over Parker	Crosswinds RC Club
8/04-06 - (C) Mile High Challenge Pylon Race	Jefco Aeromodlers
8/05-06 - (C) (I) Mile Hi IMAC Challenge 2017	Mile Hi RC Club
8/12 - Long Lake Float Fly	Arvada Associated Modelers
8/13 - PPRCC Family Day & Swap Meet	Pikes Peak RC
8/19 - (C) Wounded Warrior Benefit Fun Fly Competition Leaf	
8/20 - Long Lake Float Fly	Arvada Associated Modelers
8/19-20 - (C) 5th Prairie Dog Pattern Classic	Miniature Aero Sportsters
8/19-20 - (C) Love Air Battle Stations and General Quarters	Love-Air RC Club
8/26-27 - (C) Pueblo FlyIn and Fun Fly Sky Coral	SkyCoral RC Club - Pueblo
8/26-27 - 2nd Annual Rotors over Denver Heli Fun Fly	Jefco Aeromodlers
9/02-03 - (C) Warbirds over Pueblo	SkyCoral RC Club - Pueblo
9/10 - PPRCC Electric Fly-In	Pikes Peak RC
9/14-17 - (C) Warbirds over the Rockies (Corrected date)	Arvada Associated Modelers
9/16-17 - (C) Celebration of Flight - Fly what you bring	Love-Air RC Club
9/30 - Sept Air Show	Denver RC Eagles
10/14-15 - PPRCC Jet Rally Fly-In	Pikes Peak RC
10/21 - October Fun Fly - BBQ	Denver RC Eagles

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Please send any corrections or updates to Hotcross.BFOwns@Comcast.net

Note: This information was collected by Mike Cross (LAMA) — I encourage you use it in your club calendars, but please give me credit for putting it together.