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SHELTON, WA

SANDERSON FIELD R.C. NEWS

Walmart display/Public day



CLUB MEETING

This months meeting will be held on Thursday June 8th at 7:00 p.m.

at PUD #3

At 3rd & Cota

Welcome new member Bob Brusa. Minutes and Treasurers Report were read and accepted as read.

Jody Diaz talked about having to watch out for the fence but that we still have lots of room compared to most clubs.

Jody Diaz talked about the Vern Gillum Scholarship - the scholarship committee, Gordon Osberg, Dave Fisher, Dick Robb, and Bob Andrew, unanimously picked a student winner of our scholarship for 2006, her name is Kassidy Chapman. She met all of our criteria and is an outstanding young person. She intends to go to SPSCC first for the basics and then attend Embry Riddle Aeronautical University in Prescott AZ.

Sharon Diaz asked for volunteers for putting the float together. Jody and Sharon Diaz, Dick Robb, Bob Andrew, Darryl Casad, John Tupper, Bob Beatty and Chuck Kentfield got together on the 29th of May to get the planes placed on

the trailer.

Jody Diaz asked if the club wanted to have food at the May 27th Flyin. It was decided not to have food.

Stacy Myers brought up a safety issue after a member stuck his finger in the prop. Never let an injured person

injured person drive The float for the parade looked good and the whole thing went without a hitch. We even got a lot lower position number this year and were done by noon. We couldn't have asked for better weather, the day before and the day after were both windy and rainy. See page 5 for a photo.

We've decided to put the planes back on the trailer for the Walmart display. This has the advantage of keeping the planes out of harms way but letting the people see them better.

Toledo Swap Meet

The Toledo swap meet will be held on June 17th. Toledo High School 10AM to 2PM, Vendors in at 9AM Tables \$5 each, General Admission \$1

themselves to the hospital because of the possibility of going into shock.

Stacy Myers showed his ModelTech SE-5 ARF.

Meeting adjourned 7:40



Hints and Tips

Des Moines Modelaires, Ankeny IA

Keep your pilot in your airplane

Ray Pick, editor

Have you ever seen someone's pilot-figure rolling around in the canopy? Not very cool especially if the pilot is an F-15 figure. Try this idea to make sure your pilot doesn't eject too soon.

Since most pilot figures are hollow, enlarge the rubber hole in the bottom of your figure. Make it about 1/4-inch to 3/8-inch wide. Go down to your favorite hardware store and purchase some drywall hole-hanger screws. Get the ½ inch or ¾ inch thick size. Which size to use will depend on your cockpit size and the thickness of your pilot's rubber base.

Now drill a hole in the cockpit floor (where your pilot will sit.) The cockpit hole needs to line up with the hole in the bottom of your figure. Now glue your pilot down and take the drywall screw and push it up through the bottom of the cockpit floor. Put the base of your figure on top of the drywall screw and tighten the screw. As the screw is tightened, the casing's external fingers will collapse or spread out inside your figure securely attaching your pilot to the cockpit floor.

Now if your airplane crashes, at least you know your pilot will still be securely attached!

Des Moines Modelaires, Ankeny IA

Adding weight

Ray Pick, editor

Ever have the need to add a little extra weight to the front or tail of your airplane? Instead of purchasing expensive stick-on weights, try the following.

Go to your local tire-repair shop and ask if you can have some used tire weights (the weights they put on tire rims). They come in different sizes and have a clip that you can bend and use it to screw the weight to your airplane. The best thing is, they're free. Most places are glad to get rid of them. They have to throw them away anyway. I went to Tires-Plus and they gave me several pounds just for the asking!

Madison Area Radio Control Society, Madison WI

Building board

Jerry Buss, editor

I was just informed about a great building board called Homasote Handi-Board. It can be purchased at Menards in 2 x 4 foot, ½-inch thick sheets. It is a gray color and appears to be made of a recycled paper. In order to get a flat sheet, you might want to pull one out near the middle of the stack.

Pins can be pushed into it, and the material absorbs razor-blade cuts without shredding. I laid the sheet on top of my work bench and built right on top of it; however, to prevent globs of hardened glue from making the surface uneven, a sheet of thin poster board could be taped to the top of the Handi-Board and replaced when it gets too messy.

from the Woodland Aero Modelers, Woodbridge IL

Using nylon bolts

by Dino Vlahakis, editor

Here is a neat little tip for those nylon wing bolts. Usually they come with round, slotted heads. They work, but your screwdriver has a good chance of going through your wing after it slips during installation.

Take a 7/16-inch hex nut, and run it all the way under the round head on the screw. Now you can sand the nylon bolt to match the hex pattern on the nut. When the nut is removed, the nylon wing bolt will be transformed into a hex bolt that can be easily tightened with your four-way glow plug wrench.

from the Western New York Free Flight Society, Fairport NY

Get a better bond

by David Rosenberg Mark C. Rzadca, editor

Cyanoacrylate (CY) adhesive is triggered by moisture! Wood that becomes too dry from being stored too long in low humidity environments may not have sufficient moisture to activate CY glue. Moisten old balsa wood prior to bonding.

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INS AND OUTS OF EBAY

Form the Twin City Radio Controllers, Inc., Minneapolis, MN

by Jay Bickford

I sell and buy quite a few items on eBay, the online auction site. I am guessing that many of you are not familiar with the site and how it works, so I thought I would give you a quick run down on some of the ins and outs of buying and selling on eBay. First of all, I have a fault to admit. I am a terrible hoarder. I keep stuff—lots of stuff. Old or new, it really doesn't matter. If I think I may have a use for it in the future, I hide it away; however, this has actually worked out to be an advantage. It has given me a pretty good supply of stuff to sell on eBay, and selling stuff I already have has helped fund my RC hobby. Here are just a few examples of things I had laying around the house that I recently sold on eBay:

- •Aurora space shuttle Orion plastic model kit from 2001: A Space Odyssey sold for \$100.
- •Aurora Ragnarock Orbital Interceptor plastic model kit sold for \$100.
- •Assorted old Tom Swift hardcover books sold for \$10-70 each.
- •Aurora AFX HO scale slot cars sold for \$14-22 each.

You get the idea, and best of all there is a lot of RC airplane merchandise on eBay, whether you are a buyer or a seller. Buying on eBay - Getting set up as a buyer on eBay is simple. All you need to do is register. Just go to www.ebay. com and follow the registration instructions. It is also helpful to set up a PayPal online payment account at www.paypal.com. Most buyers and sellers prefer to handle their payments through PayPal, and you will usually get purchased items faster if you pay this way. You do have to register a credit card online with PayPal, but the sellers never see your number; only PayPal does. This makes your online transaction much more secure. If you don't feel comfortable giving out your credit card number to PayPal, most eBay sellers will accept money orders. However, check the specifics in the auction before bidding. Some sellers only accept payment via PayPal.

Selling on eBay - While selling on eBay is not hard, it is a bit more complicated than buying. First of all, you have to register. If you have already registered as a buyer, you are ready to go as a seller as well.

The next item you need is a digital camera to take pictures of the stuff you want to sell. You can use a regular film camera and have a CD made during film processing, but this is more expensive and time consuming than going the digital route.

Items listed with clear, detailed photos bring more money than those that aren't. Also, make sure you write an accurate description of the item, including any defects or damage.

Next, if you are new to selling on eBay, it is a good idea to sell a few inexpensive items first to get the hang of it and to build up your eBay feedback profile. The feedback profile is

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IN AND OUTS OF EBAY (CONT)

a valuable asset on eBay. It tells people what kind of a buyer and seller you are. It is a good idea to build up some positive feedback before you try to sell an expensive item.

Also, even though it sounds counter intuitive, list your auctions with no reserve price or with a low starting bid price. You will get more money for your items and more interest in your auction if you do it this way. If you are concerned that you won't get what you think you should from an item, search for completed auctions on items similar to yours before listing your item. This will give you an idea of what your item will bring.

Veteran eBay sellers will also tell you that there are certain days and times to end auctions that bring more money. I have found that Sunday evening is a great time to end an auction. Most people are home and getting ready to start the work week. Basically, if it is prime time for TV, it is also prime time for ending eBay auctions.

I hope this has whetted your interest a bit for the excitement and profitability of online auctions.

*Please note that this article is not comprehensive. Please check with eBay and PayPal for complete rules, terms, and conditions. If you haven't paid your dues yet it's after January 1st now and Dues are \$40.

IF YOU PAY BY MAIL SEND YOUR DUES, PROOF OF 2006 AMA MEMBERSHIP AND A SELF ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE TO THE TREASURER:

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KEEP SENDING YOUR PROJECT PICTURES TO ME IF YOU WANT TO SEE THEM IN THE NEWSLETTER.



Galen Skeem's new F-16



Darryl Casad's new Waco



No prizes this year but the float looked good!

Below are the scheduled events for 2006

Club Scheduled Events for 2006

January 1st.....Annual 1st fly of the year January 15th.....Pylon Race February 12th.....Pylon Race March 12thPylon Race April 15thSanderson Field RC flyers annual swap meet 9:00 to 12:00 SHS Sub May 27th.....Fly-In - 9:00 a.m. to ????? June 3rd.....Forest festival Parade float June 10th.....Display at Walmart June 11thPublic Fly-In July 15th.....fly-in with novice fun fly - 9:00 a.m. to ????? August 12th & 13th.Pylon Race (tentative) August 19th......Scale fly-in with novice fun scale event - 9:00 a.m. to ???? SeptemberFly-In 9:00 a.m. to ???? October 8th.....Pylon Race 9:00 to 4:00 November 12th......Pylon Race 9:00 to 4:00 DecemberChristmas Party

It's time for 2006 dues, dues are \$40.00 Check out our web site at http://sfrcf.quintex.com