



FLIGHT LINES

The Monthly Newsmagazine of the Spirits of St. Louis R/C Flying Club

Prez Sez:

By Don Fitch:

Good meeting last month, lots of planes, lots of model talk, paper airplane building & flying activity after the meeting. At the August we are planning on having Jerry Quist give a short demonstration of his procedure when using Monocoat. Jerry does a great job of covering and I for one look forward to finding out how he does it. My covering jobs have character, his look great. Can't wait! See ya there, hopefully. Don

MEETING MINUTES, July 9, 2008

By Walt Wilson

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by President Don Fitch. Seventeen members and one new applicant were present.

New Member Applicants: The following new applicant introduced himself:

Bob Lake 636-398-8119

Bob was unanimously accepted by members present.

The first order of business after introduction of new members was the presentation of the oldest airplanes at the meeting.



Walt Wilson won the \$10.00 gift card from Mark Twain Hobbies for the oldest plane with his 55-year-old Control Line Spitfire. Built in 1953, it was powered by a McCoy 09 engine. It didn't fly well, but survived in the back corners of Walt's basements to finally win a contest.

Carolyn Schlueter photo

Secretary's Report: *Walt Wilson, Secretary.* The June minutes were approved as published in last month's Flight Lines.

Treasurer's Report: *Les Richman, Treasurer.* One of our CD's is due to be rolled over. It was agreed to make it for six months. We are on schedule to meet or exceed the expected annual income and expenditures are as projected. The report was accepted as presented.



Les Richman had the next oldest planes; four rubber-powered models he built in 1958, while he was in college. Here are a Li'l Tony and Navion.

Walt Wilson Photo



Les also built this Ercoupe & Hellcat during that period.

Walt Wilson Photo

Activities Report:

Bob Fiely's Low Key Fun-Fly: Paul Geders noted that, due to a schedule conflict, Bob's July Fun-Fly has been rescheduled to **August 2**.

The September Member Appreciation Meeting has been moved from Wednesday, September 9 to Saturday, September 13. Please bring a covered dish There will be open flying and a Swap Meet from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Dinner will be at 5:00 P.M. and a meeting will be at 6:00 P.M. This meeting will include officer nominations for 2009. Bill Lindewirth will man the barbeque pit.



Gene Jones was third with this Goldberg Eagle 63 he bought from Bob Mosely. It's about 40 years old and hung in Mosely's hobby shop for many years.

Walt Wilson Photo.



Walt also showed and discussed the first R/C plane he built, 37 years ago. It's a Jack Stafford Minnow and was powered by a rear-intake K&B .40 engine which was state-of-the-art for Formula 1 racing at the time.

Carolyn Schlueter photo

E-Mail Addresses: Recently, we tried to send a group e-mail to our members. Several e-mails were rejected because the addresses as listed in the roster were wrong. Please check and be sure the address you had on your application and published in the roster was correct.



Bob Underwood discussed the 20-year-old "Thingamabob" he designed and built. It was featured, with plans, in a 1990 issue of Model Aviation magazine and is capable of being flown Radio Controlled, Control Line, or Tethered Radio Controlled. A Tethered R/C plane is attached to a center pole with a Control Line wire, then the throttle and elevator are Radio Controlled, for flying. He says it really works! It can also be easily converted to electric power

Walt Wilson photo



Paul Geders discussed construction, break-in procedures, and potential performance of Don Fitch's new Jett .90 sport engine. Bob Fiely is going to build a .60-size Sig King Cobra for it.

Carolyn Schlueter photo



Bob Fiely built this Andrews Sport Master for Don Fitch. It has a Clarence Lee K&B .61 up front and is covered with Monokote. Walt Wilson Photo



Jim Rawlings discussed the Sig Senorita he is building for Gary Mayfield. It'll be powered by an O.S. 40 LA. Walt Wilson Photo.

Open House, September 27: Raffle prizes will be: first place; a Futaba 6EXA 2.4 GHz radio, second place; a Sig Four-Star 40 ARF, third place; a \$100.00 gift card for Mark Twain Hobbies. All registered pilots will be eligible to win a one-year free membership in the Spirits. Stay tuned for more info.

OLD BUSINESS
None Presented.

NEW BUSINESS

The St. Charles Saints' field was under about twelve feet of water during the peak of recent flooding. Our Board of Directors extended an invitation to their members to share our field for flying until theirs is once again available. They gratefully accepted. If you meet some of them at the field, welcome them and be a good neighbor

Don Fitch has appointed John Matticker as Field Committee Chairman. We want to thank Frank Nolle for his years of service in that position. Your continuing cooperation with John will be appreciated.

FOR SALE ITEMS



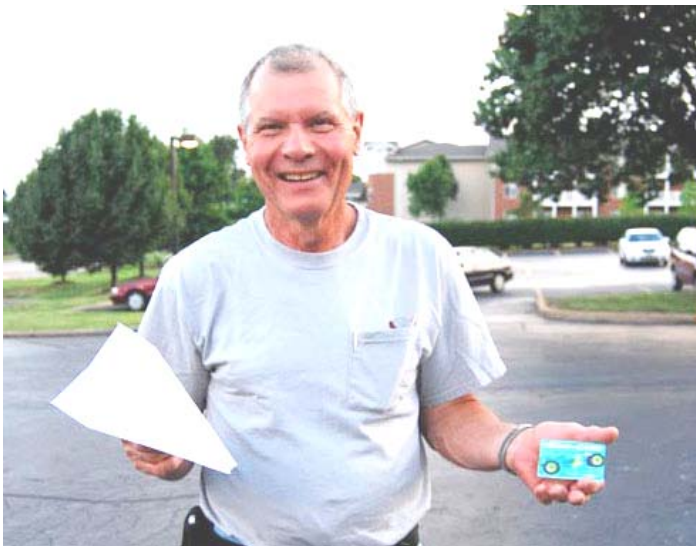
Mary Amelung (Ralph's wife) is offering this giant-size Laser 300 for sale. It includes a large gas engine and radio flight pack (no transmitter). The price for the complete package is a modest \$280.00. Contact Don Fitch at 636-441-0373.

<p>RTF Package Four Star 40 plane with servos and receiver .45 Super Tigre engine JR XF421 computer radio Will sell components separately</p>	<p>\$275.00</p>	<p>John Smith</p>	<p>jhsmith@centurytel.net 636-625-6533</p>
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Meeting Activity: Don Fitch handed out sheets of paper and a paper airplane contest was held in the parking lot. The fliers launched their airplanes at will.



Don Fitch conducts a pilots' meeting prior to the first launch of the paper airplane contest.
Carolyn Schlueter photo



*Dennis Skeeters won the \$10.00 Mark Twain Hobbies gift card for flying the greatest distance.
Carolyn Schlueter photo*

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 P.M.

Surprise Donations!



Kevin Cordell, Spirits Member, Team Futaba Member, and Frank Noll Futaba Team Manager at Hobbico presents a 2.4 GHz Trainer Box to the Club. Accepting on Behalf of the Spirits is Bob Gizzie. The Club would also like to thank Jerome Quist for his courtesy donation to the Training Program of one Futaba Buddy Box. Thanks Jerry! (Photo by Don Whtirock)

The club is in need of a trainer cord for Futaba Square to Square. We are also in need of (2) JR buddy box and batteries that are compatible with the newer JR Radios. Contact Don Fitch or Joe Stramaglia

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*Don & Austin Whitrock New Great Plane's F-15 first flight Monday June 30 2008
Austin you still owe Brownie & Tina night of roller skating*



Jeff Muhus Petepiole OS-10 1oz fuel tank Built in late 50's early 60's not sure when 3 channels first flight flew great!

PICTURES FROM EUREKA JET FLY, June 21-22



Patch & Dave Crutch at the Eureka Jet Fly.

Patch's plane pictured below



Winners of the Fourstar Forty and Warbirds



Dual Winners of both Four-Star 40 and WARBIRDS...Steve 1st, Ralph 2nd, Jim 3rd and Best Crash Winner Don Whitrock



All the Participants of the Race



George & Steve prepping for the race



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