



## CLUB PARTICULARS

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### Flying Field Location

The flying field is located off Old Galena Road, ½ mile north of the Caterpillar Technical Center on the west side of the road.

**GPS Location:** N40 51.844' W89 33.788'

### Flying Hours

Flying hours are 8am until dusk, Monday thru Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

### Membership

Club dues are \$100/year. All members and flyers must belong to the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA). A \$300 new field assessment will be initiated for all new club members in 2009. This assessment can be made in one payment or three, \$100 payments over three years.

### General

We are committed to having fun and the safe operation of model aircraft.

The Peoria RC Modelers is an equal opportunity, not-for-profit organization and welcomes all new members.

### Flight Instruction

The Peoria RC Modelers offers flight instruction as a free service to members. However, flight students are urged to supply their own aircraft, radio and support equipment. Students should also coordinate training schedules with the instructor. A club trainer aircraft is available for special situations.

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## PHOTO OF THE MONTH



Notice the nice headphones on this pilot.

### Explanation

This is President John Hoelscher's pilot figure for his 4-Star Forty Racer. Obviously, John's mind was somewhat distracted during construction.

### Special Notice

Please check the shed for any tools that you may have left after construction. There is a bunch of stuff in the shed that needs to be removed.

**Terry Beachler**

### Special Notice

I have a bunch of Monokote, UltraKote, SolarTex, Black Baron and some other brands in various lengths & colors. If you're just finishing a project and you need a dab of covering to finish it up, give me a call before buying a new roll. **Bob Wilson**

# 2009 CLUB CALENDAR

## June

- 2 Club Meeting at the field. 7pm meeting begins.
- 5-7 SIRS Leukemia Benefit Fly In
- 6-7 NSRCA Districts IV & V Pattern Shootout, Muncie, IN.
- 27-28 Hoffman Estates, Jim Hubbard Memorial Pattern Contest
- 29-30 AMA NATS, IMAC Scale Aerobatics

## July

- 1-2 AMA NATS, IMAC Scale Aerobatics
- 7 Club Meeting at the field. 7pm meeting begins.
- 13-17 AMA NATS, NSRCA Pattern
- 18 Four Star Racing Series, Peoria, IL
- 27-31 EAA Air Venture, Oshkosh, WI

## August

- 1-2 EAA Air Venture, Oshkosh, WI
- 1-2 Fat Lake Pattern Rendezvous
- 4 Club Meeting at the field. 7pm meeting begins.
- 8 Four Star Racing Series, Pekin, IL

## September

- 1 Club Meeting at the field. 7pm meeting begins.
- 5-6 Fox Valley Pattern Meet

## October

- 6 Club meeting at TGI-Fridays. 5300 W. War Memorial Dr. 6pm re-meeting dinner, 7pm meeting

## November

- 3 Club meeting at TGI-Fridays. 5300 W. War Memorial Dr. 6pm re-meeting dinner, 7pm meeting

## December

- 1 Club meeting at TGI-Fridays. 5300 W. War Memorial Dr. 6pm re-meeting dinner, 7pm meeting



George Knight laments the loss of his airplane @ race 1.

## Washington RC Flyers Hosted Race 1

Place	Name	Low Time	Points
1	. Stedman-P	1:56.94	22
2	J. Danhaki-C	*1:48.87**	21
3	C. Sydor-C	1:55.07	21
4	B. Meegan-W	1:58.62	20
5	M. Wilson-B	2:00.50	19
6	G. Barker-B	2:01.44	19
7	D. Hollinger-B	1:54.82	17
8	B. Miller-W	1:53.78	15
9	}. Wilson-P	2:00.72	15
10	D. Ludington	2:05.50	14
11	TJ Klise-W	1:52.88	13
12	F. Logue-B	2:02.43	13
13	Vandenburgh-B	2:07.06	12
14	Bremenkamp-W	2:39.78	11
15	L. Roberts-K	2:40.07	10
16	J. Cappis-B	1:58.62	8
17	}. Knight-P	2:03.25	7
18	M. Logue-W	2:49.41	4

# PRCM FOUR STAR 40 RACING TEAM

## RACE 1

The Washington RC Flyers hosted the first race of the season, but the flooded condition of the Washington field forced the race to be held in Bloomington.

Our congratulations to Don "Snappy" Stedman for his big win in this season's first pylon race. Don's first place was attributed to consistency and tight turns. It is reported that Don will be wearing his trophy as a talisman for the next few months.

Washington's Marshall Logue took out Bob Wilson's airplane round in the 3<sup>rd</sup> round with a spectacular midair collision. Marshall was able to land successfully with only 1/3 of a wing. Paybacks are hell, however, and PRCM's George Knight took out Washington's TJ Klise in the 4<sup>th</sup> round in another spectacular midair collision. Both airplanes were destroyed. Both Wilson and Klise continued to fly in later rounds with loaner airplanes.

The PRCM Racing Team accumulated 44 points.

The second race of the season hosted by the Bloomington, SIRS RC Flyers was a real thriller. The PRCM Racing team was well represented with 6 contestants. Of note was a "Newbie" to the team...Tommy "The Streak" Imhoff who also captured top honors for our racing team with a 5<sup>th</sup> place finish. Don (aka "Dan") Stedman finished a strong 6<sup>th</sup> and John Hoelscher 7<sup>th</sup>.

Bob Wilson and George Knight stunk up the race with 12<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> place finishes, respectively. "Hollywood" Jim Hogan lost an airplane and finished in 18<sup>th</sup> place.

The PRCM Racing Team accumulated 83 points.

Jim Hogan attributed the loss of his airplane to "Dumb Thumbs" and no other airplanes were involved. Our hat's off to Jim because he had many more potential excuses to choose from (ie. radio problems, low battery, structural failure, wind shear, bird strike, magnetic anomalies...) but he took it like a man!

John Hoelscher put on a takeoff demonstration that can only be described as "shock and awe". No sooner had Bob Wilson released John's airplane than it abruptly did a 180° turn and headed back to the starting line. What ensued next was a series of burnouts, donuts and wheelies that astounded the terrified crowd. Somehow, John finally managed to get airborne, followed by a standing ovation.

This 2<sup>nd</sup> race was marked with some extremely good flying and real fast airplanes from the Champaign boys...Jason Danhaki & Chris Sydor. Chris had the meets fastest time with a blistering 1:47.18!

SIRS RC Flyers Hosted Race 2			
Place	Name	Low Time	Points
1	Jason Danhaki-C	1:48.81	23
2	J. Cappis-B	1:50.99	20
3	B. Miller-W	1:52.66	20
4	C. Sydor-C	*1:47.18*	19
5	T. Imhoff-P	1:51.03	19
6	D. Stedman-P	1:52.11	19
7	J. Hoelscher-P	1:58.51	17
8	D. Luddington	1:53.78	15
9	TJ Klise-W	1:49.81	15
10	H. Barker-B	1:52.31	15
11	F. Logue-B	1:54.97	15
12	B. Wilson-P	2:01.81	13
13	M. Wilson-B	2:03.20	12
14	C. Vandenburg-B	1:59.91	11
15	G. Knight-P	2:03.63	11
16	. Bremenkamp-W	2:07.53	10
17	M. Logue-W	2:12.29	8
18	J. Hogan-P	2:12.92	4
19	D. Hollinger-B	0:00.00	0



The PRCM Racing Team @ Race 2. From Left, Knight, Imhoff, Stedman, Hogan, Hoelscher, kneeling... Wilson.

### THE DEMISE OF "SCOOBY"

That grand old pylon racer, "Scooby-Doo" was on the way to yet another winning day when violently and maliciously attacked and destroyed in the third round at race 1. The collision occurred at the left pylon when "Scooby" was pulling maximum "G's". The airplane disintegrated in the air.



A final photo of Bob Wilson's "Scooby-Doo" before cremation. The view of the pilot was obscured at the request of next of kin.

## \*\*Join the PRCM Racing Team\*\*



PRCM Racing Team Headquarters @ Bloomington SIRS

## 2009 PRCM OPEN HOUSE



Some guys in need of a "Wanted" poster.

Well, the Grand Opening went off very nicely on Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. I think all had a good time with Mother Nature taking a day off from The wet and wind for beautiful flying weather.

I'm proud to be a member of the Peoria R/C Modelers and the trust You gave me as the open house CD. Thank You!

Special thanks to all the people how took charge of key functions. Roger for running the food service; Steve for coordinating with the Health Department; Brian for announcing and taking on many details without being asked; Jim for being the guide and detail man to keep the records; John for pushing the get the field ready; Peggy registration; Jim and Scott for last minute field prep; Vern for helping during the rain to set up the parking and display areas; Bob with his detailed follow through and council; and George who worked as my right hand man completing many details most would not have even noticed.

Thank you Jim, Roger, and Tom for the very generous donations for the drawing. Well done to all

But now we start the busy season. George Knight is our CD for our 4-Star race in July. He will soon ask for support to assist with this event at our field. The race will take 15 to 18 members just to run the event. We'll need others for food, data compilation and registration.

We will begin setting it up at the June meeting. Please help support George.

It is also not too early to begin helping CD Bob Wilson get ready for the biggest event of the year, the Fat Lake Pattern Rendezvous in early August.

We can do anything!

**Jim Hogan**

The 2009 PRCM Open House was the beginning of our new life at this wonderful flying site. Everyone involved did a magnificent job in putting this event together. The weather couldn't beat us. Even with a one-day delay we still had a fine turnout from other clubs and people just interested in watching us fly. I think the site is one of the best in the state. Thanks again to Jim Hogan for the great work he did in organizing the open house. Following are some highlights of the event.

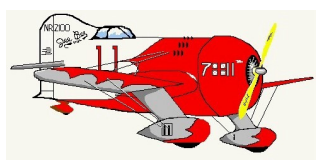
**The Editor**



Cutting the ribbon.



PRCM Open House 2009



Flight Line action...Dave Olson.



Jim Hogan's Cub & lots of help



Grandpa Jim



# HI-LIGHTS OF THE OPEN HOUSE

## SUPER-D

George Knight wowed the crowd with an on-takeoff knife edge pass down the flight line with his US 41 powered Super Decathlon. For a brief moment the crowd thought he might have been out of control...but, rest assured, it was all part of the show...right?



Scott Mohr



George Knight's Super -D on landing.



Fergy & Raptor

## AUTO-ROTATION

"Smokin" Jim Fassino demonstrated the very best in helicopter piloting by performing a relatively low-level "autorotation" maneuver when his engine unexpectedly quit. Confident to the end, Jim admitted he still had to "check his shorts" after this High-Pucker Factor maneuver.



Helicopter retrieval after difficult autorotation maneuver.



Buddy box training. Hogan & Chummer get instruction.

## POOR CHRIS

Chris Vandenburg of the Bloomington SIRS had double trouble at our open house celebration. He brought two airplanes...a Raptor, and a gorgeous Super Aeromaster biplane. He took both of these airplanes home in a bag. The Raptor suffered a straight in, full powered crash from about 150 feet in the air...radio problem. The Super Aeromaster went into the ground during an inverted fly by. Chris' explanation...I pulled instead of pushed. Bummer!



Chris and his Super Aeromaster

### THE HOELSCHER HOLE

In writing this story I debated whether to put it into the safety column or not. However, it was an integral part of the open house, so I decided to address it here. It seems Our Prez programs his transmitter so that when it's turned off, the receiver goes to "fail safe" and shuts down the throttle. After completing a flight with his 4-Star Forty, John was taxiing back to flight line. When close, he shut off his transmitter expecting the engine to shut down as well.

Wrong!

Instead of shutting off, the engine went to full power and, luckily, crashed into the pilot barrier. Before chewing itself to a stop, the propeller ate a hole in the barrier. This was subsequently photographed for posterity and dubbed "The Hoelscher Hole". A reminder to NEVER shut your transmitter off while the engine is running.



"The Hoelscher Hole"



## DEAR AMELIA



These are real question from real members about RC pilot concerns. Amelia Airhead will answer all questions and give unique insights from an area of the brain little explored. Address questions for Amelia directly to the editor. Amelia Airhead is the pen name of Roger "Pod Man" Stegall.

Dear Amelia

Every time I turn on the news there is another update on the swine flu that is sweeping the country. I'm seeing more and more people in the larger cities wearing masks to protect themselves from this menace. My flying club has yet to consider this outbreak as anything more serious than discovering somebody has used our last roll of toilet paper to sculpt a papier-mâché statue of Hillary Clinton. The first Tuesday of each month we have a club meeting. Should I make a motion at the next meeting that all club members should be tested for pig germs, prior to receiving their frequency pin? There is a saying about "better safe than sorry." Some people believe that this latest plague on America was perpetrated by a bunch of commie pig farmers who were unhappy with the FDA for not mandating there be at least three chunks of bacon in each can of pork & beans. Should I wear a mask to the next club meeting to show my leadership abilities?

Sincerely,  
Thinking of wearing a mask

Dear Mask Man,

It is probably a good idea to wear a mask to your next flying club meeting so the rest of the guys will think you're some kind of a super hero rather than a lousy flyer. If everybody were to adopt the "better safe than sorry" rule, we would never get innovation. Nobody ever would have discovered how to charge \$25 for a gallon for a flying fuel that costs only \$2 to produce. Members don't need to be tested for anything prior to a flight as long as they can still fog a mirror. You guys seem to be a pretty simple lot because most of your "TO DO" lists include Angelina Jolie and Kate Hudson. At any rate, don't go blaming this latest outbreak of flu on anything more sinister than sharing an airplane toilet seat with 250 other people who couldn't afford first class.

Sincerely,  
Amelia Airhead – Your First-Class Source For Advice

**That's it for this month. Get out to the new field and support your club. Editor**