



## CLUB PARTICULARS

AMA Charter 331

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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 \$200 new field assessment will be initiated for all new club members in 2010. This assessment can be made in one payment or two, \$100 payments over two 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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## ABBREVIATED NEWSLETTER

Toooooooooooooo much going on this month and my time management skills have kind of fallen apart. What with Oshkosh, out of town visitors, the Fat Lake Pattern Rendezvous and getting ready for a trip to Alaska on August 8...well, the newsletter will only be a shadow of its former self.

I will make it up next month, but the newsletter may be a little late as I get back from vacation on August 28.

So, hang in there.  
Editor

## PHOTO OF THE MONTH

Jim Fassino has a new camera! A super nice camera...a Cannon I think! It has whistles and bells, telephotos, video, and a gazillion megapixel resolution. To date Jim has taken 4,532 pictures and all are of superior quality. This one, however, captures the essence of our flying club site. Displayed here is a hot, mid summer evening with a beautiful clear sky and a distant thunderhead rising up into the stratosphere. At the flight stations are two of our members enjoying the evening...Ray Kuhn and Glenn Howard. Just visible in the shelter are observers Bob Draper and his daughter. Life is good!



Photo by Fassino

What a shot!

## Be a PRCM Bagel-Biter

Join the retired, laid off, laid up, lame, unemployed or unmotivated PRCM crew at Paneras on Knoxville every Thursday morning at 7:00 AM.



Have a cup of Joe and a bagel, check out the chicks and listen to all the world's problems being solved.

If you're not there, we're going to talk about you!

## THE STEARMAN RIDE By Bob Wilson

On one of those rare occasions when Jim Fassino was able to finagle the Stearman away from his father in law, he flew it into the airfield at McNabb to give our "Lawnmower Lady"...Becky, a ride. Needing a copilot to help pick up the biplane, Jim had Roger Stegall accompany him to Putnam, Illinois where the airplane is hangered.

Actually, the McNabb airfield was supposed to be having a pancake and sausage breakfast on this day, but as Becky and I arrived...it was deserted! After a few minutes a Cessna 172 started doing some touch and go's from the grass strip. Then, just over the farmhouse we spotted the blue & yellow biplane headed our way.

After Jim landed he pulled up close to the car and Roger jumped out. Like a pro Becky jumped in, adjusted her seat belt and was ready to go!

After Becky landed, I got a chance to go up. It was a beautiful morning and the view was fantastic!

Later we traveled into McNabb and at ate lunch at the local diner. A great morning of flying fun!



Photo by Wilson

Here is Becky showing off her "extra white" shoes. In the front seat is wing walker, Roger Stegall and his Gerber baby haircut. The "handsome wind-blown pilot" in the back seat is Jim Fassino (you will note that not a hair is out of place).



Photo by Wilson

Modeling the very latest in WWI headgear, Jim Fassino pilots the Stearman somewhere over central Illinois.



Photo by Wilson

After the ride pilot, Jim Fassino and wing walker, Roger Stegall disappear into the wild blue.

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**CLOSED SUNDAY**

## FROM THE VEEP PRCM Vice President Jim Hogan

Family picnic:

Last year we held our family picnic in October and we had a cold wet day for the event. Our goal was to spend time with families and friend and maybe fly an airplane or two. Well, most of our families though we where nuts and few showed up.

This year we would like to move the picnic to September to enjoy a late summer day. We are looking for someone to lead this event. It is an easy event to run, all you need is to coordinate the food and the date. If you would like to serve as event chair, please let me know.

Big Bird fly ins:

Have you looked around the flying field lately? We have a growing number of members who are flying big birds. If fact, we have airplanes with larger engines then we've seen before. You'll find twin cylinder engines and now we are seeing 7 and 9 cylinder radials. There are two big bird events coming up which I think might be of interest if you want to fly or are considering getting into larger airplanes.

The first is the Giant Plane Fly-in to be held by the Champaign County R/C Club in Champaign on August 28 - 29. Great Plains and Tower Hobbies are behind this event, so it should be a good time. The second event is the 30th Annual Pekin Big Bird Fly-in to be held on September 19th. I've flown in this event over their past two years, and it is a good time.

Airshow at the flying field:

During our Thursday, July 15th. session of flying known as "tail draggers," we had our own airshow at the field. Vern Holeman had

just taken off when a crop duster came over the field at no more then 200 feet. George Knight saw it first and for safety, told Vern to get out of the air. This crop duster was spraying one field north of ours and turned over the field inside the power lines to start his pass. We all sat under the shelter while the airplane passed over our flight line every minute or so. Then we saw a second crop duster coming down. He begin to spray the field just across the road to the east. One airplane would complete his weave and the the other would weave in behind him. After about a half hour, we had the field back.

See you in the lawn chairs.

Jim Hogan

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## PATTERN FLYING



**Bob Wilson, Newsletter Editor & Pattern Reporter**

Since this is an abbreviated newsletter, there is nothing to report in this month's pattern flying. However, in next month's coverage we will have a lengthy discussion of the "Fat Lake Pattern Rendezvous".



One beer for the St Pauli girl and three for me...what could be better?

## DEAR AMELIA

These are real questions 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,

The "World Cup" is finally over and now the game of football can again be understood to involve a "pointy" ball, cheerleaders with hooters and John Madden commercials to rid yourself of athlete's foot. The craziness for blowing a plastic horn and kicking a leather ball into a net, has yet to permeate the consciousness of overpaid U.S. athletes. I mention the horn blowing because I believe this activity could be beneficial to our club flying activities. Spectators on the sidelines (the shaded shelter) could "toot" their approval for various demonstrations of flying prowess. The longer and louder the noise, the higher the approval rating. This could be an effective system to hone flying skills and allow pilots immediate feedback concerning their flying routines. Should our club purchase some of those long plastic horns?

Sincerely,  
Waiting for horns

Dear Mr. - Wanting To Get Horny,

The Vuvuzelas you reference are a blight upon the landscape of noise. I would rather listen to a Chainsaw Opera than allow a single one of those plastic horns within a mile of your flying field. From my past experience, I believe you guys "suck" enough already and don't need to advertise your "suckiness" by blowing spit into a plastic funnel. You already have a few members known to sit on the sidelines and "toot" their approval and displeasures. **NOTE:** As a safety precaution, your groundskeeper has drilled a hole in each of the plastic chairs to prevent structural failure from unpredictable excessive pressures. My advice for you guys is to think safety, fly safely and don't sit near an open flame.

Sincerely,  
Amelia Airhead

August						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> Fat Lake Pattern Rendezvous	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Meeting at the field 6:00 PM	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Bagel Bitters 7AM	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Liars & Fliers 7AM
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Bagel Bitters 7AM	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Liars & Fliers 7AM
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Bagel Bitters 7AM	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Liars & Fliers 7AM Amelia Earheart Big-Bird, Lafayette, IN
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Bagel Bitters 7AM	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Liars & Fliers 7AM Fox Valley Pattern Contest
<b>29</b> Fox Valley Pattern Contest	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>				
Phases of the moon: 3:☾ 9:● 16:☾ 24:☾						

## 2010 R/C Event Posters

### AMELIA EARHEART BIG BIRD FLY IN

**August 21, 2010**

McAllister Park Flying Field  
Lafayette, IN

CD: Claude G. Vest  
[cvest17@msn.com](mailto:cvest17@msn.com)

Website: <http://www.lafayettecloudjockeys.org/>

### CHICAGO LAND PATTERN CONTEST (D5)

**September 11-12, 2010**

St. Charles IL FVAC R/C Field  
39W900 HWY 38  
St. Charles, IL 60175

CD: Rusty Dose  
Boyd Dose [[Boyd.Dose@jpmorgan.com](mailto:Boyd.Dose@jpmorgan.com)]

### PHANTOM FLYERS R/C CLUB FALL PATTERN CONTEST (D5)

**August 28-29, 2010**

Phantom Flyers R/C Club  
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- Flying begins at 9 AM
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