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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 <u>must</u> belong to the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA). A \$100 new field assessment will be initiated for all new club members in 2011. Beginning in 2012 the new field assessment will expire.

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 anyone requesting it. Contact a club officer for further information.

PHOTO(S) OF THE MONTH



Our friend and fellow club member, Jim White (and Mattie) will be leaving us.



In his short time with the club, Jim has been there to help with all of our functions. Here he is calling pylon cuts.



Here he is fixing the tractor.



And, finally...who is the first to jump up and help a fellow flier look for his airplane at the risk of being attacked by corn bears? You guessed it...Jim White.

GOOD LUCK JIM!

THE VEEP SPEAKS

Painting personalized designs on the nose of military aircraft can be traced back to 1913. German and Italians were the first to paint a sea monster on the nose of an Italian flying boat. Soon other units on both sides began to paint art or graffiti on their planes to identity other friendly aircraft. In WWI most of the art was painted by ground crews and not the pilots.

Not until WWII did the pilots begin to paint barely clothed women on the nose of their aircraft, stirring memories of their loved ones back home.



The nose art on America's leading ace, Richard Bong's P38.

Nose art is largely a U.S. military tradition which thrived in the European Theater. The U.S. Navy by contrast prohibited nose art on their aircraft. Some pilots however pushed this regulation and painted small simple white letters on their cowls. Pilots such as "Pappy" Boyington and LT. JG George W. Bush named their aircraft "Lulubelle" and "Barbara" for their girls back home.

Probably the most recognizable nose art is not even a women but instead a sharks mouth.



P40

The men of the American Volunteer Group (A.V.G.), the Flying Tigers saw a picture of a British P 40 from the 112 squadron painted with a sharks month. The members of the A.V.G. said "it just fit the airplane well". Soon all the Flying Tigers had a sharks mouth painted on their own P 40's. The sharks mouth can still be seen on modern aircraft such as the A-10 Thunderbolt II.



A10 Warthog

In the early 80's the Strategic Air command permitted and even encouraged historic nose art to be painted back on modern bombers. Currently a B 52 is named and painted as the Memphis Belle III.



The B52 "Memphis Bell III"

During the peace time between and end of the Vietnam War and the beginning of the Gulf Wars nose art was limited. As the War on terror grew so did the number of paintings on our aircraft. Beautiful women will always be painted on the nose of American Warbirds just as they are alive and well in the PRCM newsletter. Beautiful women and aviation just seem to go hand and hand.

Jon Deweg



The blistering course record set by Joe Lang in July (1:16.74) was shattered by none other than Tommy Imhoff. On a perfect no wind day the speeds for the timed course were unusually fast but Tommy's record run of (1:12.84) was a quantum leap over any of the previous times.

When Joe Lang handed over the Speed Challenge Gold Medallion to Tommy, the added weight of it and the "No Fear" Pylon Medallion (won the month before) were causing him severe back problems.

Don't forget, the Speed Challenge is run on the second Saturday of the month in conjunction with the "Streamers Over Mossville" combat program. Cost is \$1 per run and the fastest time splits the pot with the club.



Tommy Imhoff, burdened under the weight of two racing medallions.



Heat 1, Race 1:

Ah, the beginning of August "No Fear Pylon Racing", and, what better way to start it than with a barn burner between John "Gipetto" Hoelscher, "Gorgeous" George Knight and our esteemed senior citizen, Glen Howard. After a somewhat raggedy start Glen was able to maintain good lines and hold off Knight who came in 2nd. Hoelscher, with a very fast airplane, couldn't get into the grove and came in 3rd.

Heat 1, Race 2:

This pitted "The Great Wilsoni" against Joe "Klondike" Board and Roger "Pod Man"

Stegall. "Wilsoni" had a great start, but almost immediately "Klondike" put the pressure on for the first four laps. A couple of wide turns, however, relegated Joe to flying catch-up. "Pod-Man" flew high cover and was heard to be saying something about his "trim" not being right.

Heat 1, Race 3:

The next race was a "two-fer" between "Smoking" Jimmy Fassino and the reigning champion, Tommy "Cutter" Imhoff. "Smoking" Jimmy and his airplane "The Pink Flamingo" tried desperately to put away the champion, but, alas, to no avail. Jim ran out of pasta and "Cutter" won the race handily.

Heat 1, Race 4:

The final race of heat one was another "twofer" between Joe "Stitch" Lang and Don "Snappy" Stedman. This had all the makings of a great match. Joe has one of the fastest airplanes and "The Donald" is known for his down low aggressive flying.



Here, "Snappy" Stedman prepares to do battle with Joe Lang.

"Stitch" blasted across the start line in what looked like the makings of a great race. Unfortunately, "Stitch" was about 2 seconds early and was called down with the dreaded "DQ". "Snappy" went on to fly a leisurely 8 laps to capture 1st.

Howard 4, Wilson 4, Imhoff 4, Stedman 4, Board 3, Fassino 3, Knight 3, Hoelscher 2, Stegall 2, Lang 0

Heat 2, Race 1

Another two man race between John Hoelscher and Joe Board. For this race "Wild Man" Board flew on the ragged edge, cranking his airplane around in what looked to be blatant cuts.



"Wild Man" Joe Board heading toward the east pylon.

Hoelscher flew a good race but couldn't stay with the possessed Board. Everyone was amazed when the pylon judges called out "no cuts".

Heat 2, Race 2

The grudge match! Although good friends off the race course, these two don't like each other much while racing. Last month, Tommy "Cutter" Imhoff won the match but suffered a humiliating loss when racing one-on-one with "The Great Wilsoni".

Imhoff wanted revenge!

The start of the race was exciting with "Wilsoni" taking a short lead on the start. At about lap 4 "Cutter" pulled a 14-G turn and pulled slightly ahead only to be passed again by the indomitable "Wilsoni". At about lap 6 "Cutter" pulled another gut crunching turn and took the lead. Just before the end of lap 7 the superior speed of "The Great Wilsoni" again overtook the faltering champion.

Then, something very strange happened! Evidently suffering some kind of motor-neuron damage from all his high-G turns, Imhoff mistakenly thought he had completed the race and pulled up in a victory roll while "Wilsoni" went on to complete the full 8 laps and 1st

place. Oh...the humanity!



"The Great Wilsoni" kicked massive butt on race day.

Heat 2, Race 3

This was a three bagger between Fassino, Stedman and Knight. It pitted the precision of "Smoking Jimmy" against the down and dirty of "Snappy" Stedman and the wide open style of "Gorgeous" George.

"Smoking" Jimmy looked strong and for a while held his own but the speed and excellent turns of "Snappy" were too much. "Snappy" took 1st, "Smoking" Jimmy 2nd and "Gorgeous" George 3rd.



Returning from his 2nd heat race, even "Gorgeous" George couldn't help but laugh at pylon judge, Roger Wheeler's headgear.

Heat 2, Race 4

"Stitch" Lang, deeply troubled by his first round "DQ" desperately needed to get back into the fray. In his way were Glen Howard and "Pod Man" Stegall.

Glen Howard started strong and looked like a sure winner. He was flying a tight and controlled pattern for most of the race. At about lap 5, however, Howard's turn on the west pylon could have encompassed most of Washington DC.

Here "Stitch" made his move and went on to win the race. "Pod Man", still muttering about his trims, finished 3rd.

Wilson 8, Stedman 8, Imhoff 7, Board 7, Howard 7, Fassino 6, Knight 5, Hoelscher 5, Stegall 4, Lang 4,

Heat 3, Race 1

For this one, Hoelscher and Imhoff were paired off. A true David and Goliath contest...only David didn't have his slingshot!

"Cutter" Imhoff took no prisoners and easily outdistanced Hoelscher.

Heat 3, Race 2

"The Great Wilsoni" and "Snappy" Stedman, each with two wins, had a good tight race with Stedman running a strong 2nd place. "Gorgeous" George Knight, also scheduled for this race, did not start.

Heat 3, Race 3

"Smoking-Jimmy" Fassino unleashed his "Pink Flamingo" to put the hurt on early leader Glen Howard in this race. Overhead, "Trimless in Mossville" Stegall decisively captured 3rd place.





Fassino's "Pink Flamingo" attempting to catch Howard's racer at the west turn.

Heat 3, Race 4

A two man race put "Stitch" Lang against pylon racing's wild man, Joe Board.



Joe "Stitch" Lang impatient to begin the infamous **Joe**² event.

This was the much anticipated Joe "Squared" race (Joe²). "Klondike" Joe Board, on a roll and racing hard, put the whammy on Lang and won the race.

Wilson 12, Stedman 11, Imhoff 11, Board 11, Howard 10, Fassino 10, Hoelscher 8, Lang 7, Stegall 6, Knight 5

Heat 4, Race 1

Here we go, the final heat!

Race leader "The Great Wilsoni" was matched with "Smoking Jimmy" Fassino and John "Gipetto" Hoelscher. Amazingly, Fassino discovered a broken prop during the start count down and was still able to change

it and get into the air. He attributes this to a great pit crew.

With the new prop, Fassino was able to capture 2nd place with Hoelscher right behind. "The Great Wilsoni" came in first to clinch the August "No Fear" pylon races.

Heat 4, Race 2

In almost a repeat of Heat 3, the two Joe's were pitted against each other with Glen Howard thrown in as a wild card.

Again, ("Klondike" Joe) was able to zing ("Stitch" Joe) with Howard coming in a strong 3rd.

Sadly, Joe Lang's airplane "The Fantastic Languini" suffered radio problems as he was setting up for landing and crashed just west of the field. There was quite a bit of damage to the wing, but, amazingly, the fuselage escaped pretty much unscathed. That is, except for the landing gear which was not recovered. It is repairable.

Heat 4, Race 3

This was the only 4-man race scheduled for the day. Imhoff, Stedman Stegall and Knight toed the mark for Race 3. Unfortunately, "Pod Man" discovered a broken prop, but unlike Fassino, was not able to change it in time.



George Knights "Dreamsicle"

The first four laps were interesting with "Snappy" fighting valiantly for the lead. At lap 5, however, "Cutter" Imhoff surged ahead and never looked back. Knight finished 3rd.

Final Results:

Wilson 16, Imhoff 14, Stedman 14, Board 14, Fassino 13, Howard 12, Hoelscher 10, Lang 10, Stegall 7, Knight 7



Holding back tears, Tommy "Cutter" Imhoff hands over the "No Fear" Pylon medallion to "The Great Wilsoni".

What a day of racing! We want to especially thank John Hoelscher for rustling up the grub for lunch and cooking the dogs and brats...Great job John!

If you haven't tried pylon racing yet, you need to. It is a bunch of fun.

Bob Wilson





STREAMERS OVER MOSSVILLE

Prior to the first combat flight Saturday 8/25, we had 10 pilots registered to pull a 24-foot length of colored paper through the skies of Mossville.



Three combat aircraft battling it out

After a great lunch of Brats, hot dogs, chips, chocolate chip cookies, Klondike Bars and drinks, the wind was steady at 18 to 22 MPH from the south. Needless to say, launching and flying a 12ounce wing was every bit as perilous as trying to avoid other combat planes. Several competitors made "landings" downwind in the beans and corn. Our leading ACE for the year, Jim White, continued to distance himself in scoring from all other contestants by cutting the ribbons of combatants in the first two heats of the day. Glen Howard was the only successful flyer to complete all three flights of the day with his tail still fluttering in the breeze. Scoring for the event was as follows: Jim White 8, Glen Howard 3, Don Stedman 2, and 1 point for Joe Board, Roger Wheeler and Roger Stegall. Sadly, this will be the last combat event for Jim White.



That's Roger Wheeler's combat plane on the right just avoiding a cut by his pursuer.

He and Mattie will leaving for upper Michigan on Thursday 8/30/12. Jim's 34 points year-to-date will likely assure him of winning the TOP GUN trophy for 2012. The closest three competitors are Tom Imhoff 13, Jim Fassino 10 and Roger Stegall 10 points. Shown below are combat YTD scores.

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Contestant Name	* 4/29/201	5/26/2012	6/30/2012	7/14/2012	7/28/2012	8/11/2012	8/25/2012	YTD Points	# Events
Jim White	0	5	1	9	1	10	8	34	7
Tom Imhoff			3		5	5		13	3
Jim Fassino	1	1	0		8	0		10	5
Roger Stegall	0	1	2	2	4	0	1	10	7
Bob Wilson		7	0	1	1			9	4
Roger Wheeler	4		1				1	6	3
Joe Borg	0		3		1		1	5	4
Peggy Sutter			0		4		0	4	3
Glen Howard			1			0	3	4	3
Vern Holeman		0	0	3	0	0	0	3	6
Don Stedman				1			2	3	2
Scott Ferguson			1					1	1
George Knight							0	0	1

Roger 'Pod-Man' Stegall





INDOOR FLYING

Indoor flying is set to begin on Friday, November 2, 2012 and continue through Friday, March 29, 2013. Indoor flying will begin at 8 PM and continue until 11PM. We will need to have members sign-up to help with opening and closing each of the 22 Friday flying nights.

A LOOK BACK AT MEETING MINUTES

The minutes from the February 7, 2006 meeting show the club was meeting at the Navy Marine Club in Peoria Heights. The club ordered pizza for that meeting to try to increase attendance. During the meeting it was suggested the club explore alternative meeting locations that could serve food. The members approve the updated by-laws, which are still in effect today. The minutes showed we were still meeting for breakfast at Le Pepe's, but we were going to be kicked out in the near future.

Terry Beachler was the club president having just replaced Wes Miller and Mike Seyfert was the newsletter editor. Chris Haley was both safety officer and web master. The Dragon Dome was the place to fly indoors from 9 PM until 11 PM.

At the May 2, 2006 club meeting President Beachler asked for volunteers for a new committee that would begin working on securing a new club flying site. At the October 3, 2006 meeting the club was informed that the lease for the Chillicothe flying site would not be renewed

for 2007. Negotiations were on going with the Peoria Park District to secure a new flying site. On November 21, 2006 our friend William R Rutherford passed away, he was assisting the club's work with the Park District on a flying site.

SAY NO TO GLOW

When I started writing a monthly article for the newsletter I jokingly titled it "Say No to Glow." At that time I was experimenting with electric flight and some members were questioning the mix of my chromosomes. Don't get me wrong I like flying with glow, gas, electricity and even rubber bands. But I found the guite, clean and at the time expensive and inefficient electric systems intriguing. weekend we had the pattern contest in Peoria and it looks like the pattern flyers have "said no to glow." Of the 17 registered flyers 15 were flying electric pattern airplanes and only one was flying with a YS glow powered pattern ship. That is an amazing transformation in just a few years. The charging station was fully utilized by the electric pattern flyers and we needed more power to make coffee and run the laptop computer.

I must admit I still enjoy the sound and the smoke of the powerful YS engine. While I did not count the how many there were, perhaps 5 or more electric pattern airplanes were flying with counter rotating propeller systems. This makes the electric airplane even better by eliminating torque.

Jim Fassino



The Experimental Aircraft Association is an organization that promotes all forms of recreational aviation with chapters around the world. Peoria EAA Chapter 563 is located at Mt. Hawley Airport and has a stated mission that includes warbirds, aerobatic, ultralight, antique and classic aircraft.

You don't have to be a pilot or aircraft owner to be a member. You can fulfill your aviation interests with the many programs that are available. These include aircraft restoration, photography, "The Young Eagles" or just hanging out with a great group of people. And...don't forget to visit the world's premier aviation event...EAA AirVenture Oshkosh.

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The 4th annual "Fat Lake Pattern Rendezvous" was held on the 18th & 19th of this month and although we only had one club member participating it was well attended by out-oftowners. John Hoelscher did the honors this year and with the help of Jim Fassino put on an excellent program. Other club members worked hard in preping the field and organizing the luncheon.



PRCM Club Members setting up the marker poles.

Our thanks to Jon Dewey for taking over the scoring responsibilities and, as usual, Roger Stegall did his excellent job on grounds preparation.

There was competition in the Sportsman, Intermediate, Advanced, Masters and FAI sequences. The weather also cooperated with two of the finest flying days we've seen in quite a while



Fat Lake Pattern Rendezvous Results

Sportsman

Steve Sobolewski 4000.0000 Dave Golubski 3869.6569

Intermediate

 Mike Gaishin
 3995.6490

 Joe Burzinski
 3977.7003

 Peter VanHeusden
 3885.6480

 Steve Stricker
 3879.0636

 John Hoelscher
 2654.6356

Advanced

Brandon Soboleski 4000.0000 Mark Doucey 3911.0142 Evan Krause 3864.8020

Masters

Brenner Sharp 4000.0000 Mike Mueller 3956.1698 Robert Satalino 3775.6805 Mark Woytassek 3392.7951 Lawrence Auer 3292.2652

FAI

William Ahrens 4000.0000 David Snow 3852.1174



Our thanks to Jon Dewey for taking care of the scoring.



David Snow's biplane was a beautiful pattern ship.



One of the "Contras" (counter rotating props) on landing approach.





Keeping with a military theme...if things ever go wrong with North Korea, this is an example of some of the soldiers we will be going up against.

AMELIA

Dear Amelia,

Normally I'm not one to complain but your recent article claiming Mr. Snow (Jim White) was mercifully attacked by my flying wing, really frosts my cookies. I would like to know how I can appeal this erroneous decision. Quite clearly, I was the innocent victim when Snowy became ribbon-envious and T-boned my chunk of electrified insulation. Although no physical evidence exists, I seek vindication from my guilty verdict and an official apology from Mr. Snow for violating my air-space and doing harm to Little Pinky.

Sincerely, No "T" in my bones

Dear Mr. "T"

I have placed your petition for a reversal of verdict on the docket of the PRCM court of appeals. It's uncertain when this appeal board will give hearing to your argument because they are still deadlocked over the matter of using distilled or filtered water in the club coffee maker. The words of the late Rodney King come to mind when he said "Why can't we just all get along?" Rather than seek vindication and an apology, let's simply conclude that combat is as unpredictable as the Supreme Court and the jury of Casey Anthony. Perhaps, one day when the scales of justice are balanced, you will receive an equitable compensation of \$.40 for damaged foam. Until that time, charge your batteries because there are others who seek to shorten your streamer or the wing to which it is attached.

Sincerely. Amelia Airhead - also bored of appeals

CLUB PHOTOS



Steve Blessin's "Fly Baby" takes to the air.



Also a Steve Blessin creation, the giant "Mud Duck" gets ready for flight.



A brave woman, Peg Sutter, disappears into the corn where the dreaded corn bears reside. She's in search of her combat airplane.



Jim Hogan and Jon Dewey prep Hogan's Extra 300 for flight.



Jim Fassino's "Pinky" takes to the air.

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