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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 \$95/year if paid before January first, \$105 thereafter. All members must belong to the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA).

### 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.

## OPEN HOUSE 2013



The view looking west. This open house was very well attended.



Roger Stegall looks lost amongst the profusion of airplanes...82 in all!



We had some great looking warbirds





Former Pekin club member Don Nichting (on right) traveled the furthest (Kentucky) to visit our event.



A pylon racing exhibition resulted in a spectacular mid air collision. Scott Ferguson didn't fare too badly and managed to land his airplane.



We had some great Golden Era Racers



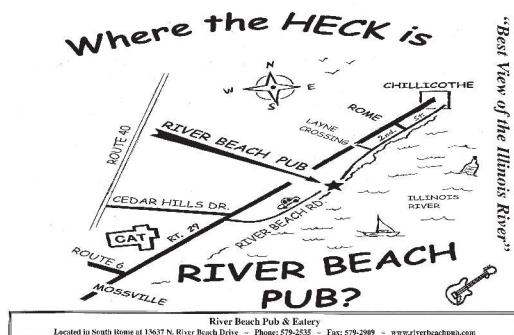
Joe Lang, on the other hand, didn't do so well after the mid air collision.



Another racer. This one we lovingly call "Swamp Thing".



The Red Baron was represented.







Although I missed the one and only (brief) flight of the “Mud Duck,” I did get an earlier shot of it “break dancing” across our field.



Jim Fassino getting ready for another YAK Attack.



The entertainment team of Dewey-Hogan put together a parachute drop during the playing of the National Anthem.



Joe Board & Jon Dewey show off their Sky Raiders.



These guys came from Streator, IL. That's our buddy Bryan from Dynamic Balsa in the blue shirt.



A cool looking MIG.





You have to love the Ryan ST.



Joe Lang made some smoke.



Bryan Chumbley trying hard to suppress his look of greed after winning this AT-6 Texan.



There are lots of ways we can spend our free time and limited avocation resources. Those of us that are members of the PRCM have chosen to spend some of both pursuing model aviation. All of us have, or will ultimately experience, the frustration of having an airplane destroyed after many hours of assembly of our creation. And justly as likely we will enjoy the sheer joy of watching our creation take flight, fly around the pattern and then land successfully.

Several club members had an opportunity to watch as Jon Dewey flew his Eindecker after many months of work, refinement and more work. This was not the first attempt at a maiden flight. There were other times when things were not quite right and Jon took his creation home to fix the issue. But then the day came when all was ready, and so was Jon. The Eindecker took to the air, it looked great, it sounded great and it flew great.



No more talking, let's see how she flies! Jon Dewey and Jim Fassino getting ready for the maiden flight.

With several passes down the flight line it was time for Jon to land the German airplane. With a collective sigh he greased the landing and taxied

back to the pits. Jon held his creation and with a smile only a fellow RC modeler could fully appreciate while the cameras captured the moment. Another great picture was taken by Bob Wilson that captured the Eindecker in flight. You have to look closely to see that it is not a full scale airplane but rather a model.



It really did look good in the air.

Seeing the smile of pride, of accomplishment and the smile of satisfaction on Jon's face is the reason we keep doing what we do.



Don't let that crocodile smile fool you!

We fly model airplanes for the joy of overcoming all of the obstacles that have kept man and machines on the ground for all but the last 110 years. And on this day, just as in 1903 when Wilbur and Orville had their success, Jon Dewey had his well-deserved success. Congratulations Jon on a great looking, great flying machine that sounds as good as it looks.

**Jim Fassino**



**NO FEAR PYLON**

Because of weather we had to cancel our May 11<sup>th</sup> race and almost canceled our May 25<sup>th</sup> race. But, after breakfast on Saturday it looked like the weather would break, albeit briefly, so we charged out to the field and pulled it off.

Actually, the flying conditions were quite good. Hardly any wind and it was cool but not uncomfortable. The threatening gray sky was probably the only distraction.

#### **Race1/Heat 1, Lang, Wilson, Stegall**

Joe Lang came to race and blew away both "The Great Wilsoni" and "Pod Man".

#### **Race1-Heat 2, Fassino, Ferguson**

Ferg was struggling to stay with "Smokin Jimmy". But then...

Fassino executed a maneuver called a "Tommy" at 6 laps and gave Ferg an opening. Ferg, however, was struggling with the left pylon turn and couldn't capitalize. *Note: A "Tommy" is pulling up in a victory role, two laps before the race is finished.*

#### **Race1-Heat 3, Board, Dewey (DQ)**

This was a barn burner of a race with "Dew Drop" staying close with "Wild Man" Joe Board. At race end, however, we found out why Dewey stayed so close. Board 1 cut, Dewey 4 cuts & a DQ.

#### **Race 2-Heat 1, Fassino, Lang**

Fassino pulled out a great start and led the whole race. Lang never led.

#### **Race 2-Heat 2, Board, Stegall, Ferg (DNF)**

Board blasted a super start and flew a tight race. Stegall was inhaling fumes the whole race while Ferg never got off the launch pad.



Joe Board's Sky Raider blasting toward the start line.



### **Race 2-Heat 3 (Wilson, Dewey)**

"The Great Wilsoni" got a good start and never looked back. "Dew Drop" had a nice line but couldn't stand the pace.

### **Race 3-Heat 1 Board (tie) Lang, Stegall**

"Wild Man" was super sly on the start, circling around and coming in from the side. He led the race and finished 1<sup>st</sup> with "The Fantastic Languini" close on his heels. One cut by Board, however, brought his point count to a tie with Lang. Stegall flew high cover.

### **Race 3-Heat 2, Ferg, Wilson**

Wilson led the race for 7 laps and then lapsed into a coma and let Ferg beat him on a close finish.

### **Race 3-Heat 3, Fassino (tie) Dewey**

Dewey choked badly on the start while Fassino nailed it. Dewey, however, closed it up and was quite competitive until lap 5 when "finger palsy" crept into his flying style. Luckily, Fassino was charged with a cut and both fliers were awarded 5 points. Of interest was a butt-puckering, low altitude victory roll by Dewey just after he crossed over the finish line.

### **Race 4 -Heat 1, Lang, Ferg, Dewey**

A wild race with "The Great Languini" getting the win. Ferg hung in for 2<sup>nd</sup>. Dewey, having just raced previous, complained of race fatigue.



Joe Lang's new LA40 Racer

### **Race 4-Heat 2, Board (tie) Wilson, Fassino**

A real fur-ball with a tremendous start by "Wild Man" Board who flew the entire race on the edge. "The Great Wilsoni" hung in at 2<sup>nd</sup> but was severely challenged by "Smokin Jimmy" on the last 100 feet. There were opinions both ways, but after paying off several bystanders, Wilson was able to garnish 2<sup>nd</sup> place. This was further complimented when it was determined that Board had cut the right pylon.

### **Race 4-Heat 3, Stegall**

A yawner! Stegall raced alone...well, not really...whenever Roger flies, he flies with his little friends. At least that's what we think because he's always talking to someone.

Here is the order of finish for the May 25 event:

*Lang 22, Fassino 21, Wilson 21, Board 20, Stegall 19, Dewey 15, Ferg 15*

After two events the overall point standings are

as follows:

*Lang 42, Fassino 42, Wilson 39, Ferg 33, Stegall 23, Board 22, Pringle 18, Imhoff 17, Delvecchio 16, Dewey 15 and Hogan 5.*

Last month's winner, Jim Fassino, handed over the coveted medallion and Joe will wear it with pride until (and if) someone else takes it away.



Joe Lang, the May Pylon Racing Champion

June 29<sup>th</sup> is our next race. Let's put the big hurt on Joe Lang!

**Bob Wilson**

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Saturday 5/25 saw our first combat event of the year. The weather was threatening rain immediately prior to the first flight. Our first round of streamer-envy began immediately following the conclusion of No-Fear-Pylon Racing. Roger Wheeler, Joe Board, Glen Howard and Roger Stegall took to the air in anticipation of 4-minutes of craziness. During the first 2 minutes of combat, Roger Stegall managed to shorten the blue streamer of Glen Howard. One minute later, Roger Stegall recorded his second victory by cutting the streamer from Joe Board's plane and removing a few chunks of foam where Joe's streamer was attached to the airframe.

This tail chopping activity caused Roger's motor to be removed from his plane, leaving Roger Wheeler as the only flying survivor of heat #1. Scoring for this first flight was Roger Stegall - 6 points and Roger Wheeler - 1 Point.

During the 2 minutes between rounds, Glen Howard got a new full length ribbon, Joe Board glued his broken tail, Roger Stegall got a replacement plane and everybody got a 2nd battery.

Heat #2 was launched in a very light drizzle. After about two minutes of combat flying, Joe Board sought revenge on Roger Stegall and sliced his crepe-paper tail. The remaining two minutes of the heat saw many close calls but all three remaining competitors survived with their ribbons at full length.

Scoring for the 2nd flight was: Roger Wheeler - 1 point, Joe Board - 4 points and Glen Howard - 1 point. A third combat heat for the day could not be flown because a heavy rain developed during the 2-minutes of preparation time prior to the next combat session. Several other regular combat fliers had planes not yet ready for competition. The more participants we have, the greater is the opportunity for fun and boasting.

## **Roger Stegall**



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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One good - really good - flying Saturday in May and..... it was our Open House!! It was great to see a very high level of participation from our club, but we also had a significant number of people attend from other clubs. A really great event for everyone and I am pretty sure a new attendance record – we had cars all the way down the entrance road. Thanks to everyone that helped make the Open House a success. A very special thanks to the core team of Jon Dewey, Roger Wheeler, Roger Stegall, and Jim Hogan for doing all the planning and organizing – great job guys!! Finally, if you get the chance, make sure to thank and help support our sponsors for the event – due to their generosity, we had a very nice raffle and silent auction that made the event a big financial success for the club.



This gorgeous PT-19 flew at the Open House

Just a few quick reminders:

- 1) We are getting a little lax with signing in and out when using the field. Please make sure you are signing in and out whenever you fly

– even if only flying electric.

- 2) Please make sure everything is locked up if you are the last one leaving the field.
- 3) Not to steal our Safety Officer's thunder, but please make sure we are following our safety procedures. The one thing I have seen lately is people flying from the east end of the field a good distance away from the pilot stations. This makes it difficult for others to see what is going on and they definitely would not hear an "on the field" or "landing call" from that distance. Please help keep yourself and everyone else safe and fly from the pilot stations.

As we enter the summer months (and hopefully a period of better flying weather), remember our racing and combat dates. Participation is growing and the competition is getting a lot closer. Our last racing event had the closest finishes I have seen to date – a lot of fun. The dates are posted on our website – come on out and join the fun.

That's about all I have this month. Please remember our next club meeting: 7:00PM, June 4<sup>th</sup> at the field. Hope to see you all there!

**Joe Lang**

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## THE VEEP SPEAKS

The 2013 PRCM Open House is behind us. We can all concentrate on our own flying and having a great summer at our field. I would like to thank everyone who helped make this year's open house a big success. We had a lot of visiting pilots join us from other area clubs, Please consider making a trip and joining them at their events throughout this year. We lucked out with good weather, it has been rainy and windy every day since our open house. I can now finish work on my Telemaster .40 that I bought in Toledo.



I have it all framed and sanded, I am just about ready to start covering. I hope to have it in the air by the end of June. Watch the sky's over Mossville for a Polish Air Force L 4. Coming soon to a field near you!!

**Jon Dewey**

### DO YOU BAGEL?

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 PRCM COPILOT OF THE MONTH



## DEAR AMELIA

These are the rantings of ghost-writer Roger Stegall taking the pen name of "Dear Amelia". Other than the physical copying from one medium to another, the editor takes no responsibility in the blasphemy and lunacy herein expressed.

### Dear Amelia,

There is a club member whose look of disdain when asked a stupid question equals the lethal look of Medusa. Of those that are unfamiliar with the Medusa, she was a Greek mythological figure. Gazing directly upon her would turn onlookers to stone. Various club members throughout the years have experienced this look of stone, which we anonymously call a "Jimmy."

Since this is an ongoing situation with various degrees of "Jimminess", should the club consider presenting a yearly stone plaque to the club recipient who receives the most "Jimmies?" We would appropriately call this award "The Withering Jimmy."

Your thoughts.

Sincerely,  
Stone Face



Dear Stone Head,

Some of the actions I have witnessed, "Down on the farm," at the Bob Evans breakfast boutique, do push one to wonder how some of your members manage to get their shoes on the right feet. The stone-face expression you referenced makes me believe your group fits the lyrics to the song that says "Everybody Must Get Stoned." I'm not sure you need to keep a score sheet for a count of "Jimmies" because one of your more senior members, who still rides his "trike," has already "lapped" all other competitors in collecting Medusa-like stares.



To date, this mythological face of displeasure has not caused any member sufficient indigestion to preclude the rapid consumption of over-priced chicken embryos and piggy products. Theoretically, if the "Jimmy" look could be diverted into a prism, it could be broken down to its component wave lengths of: (1) From what planet did you originate (2) Did you graduate from potty training and (3) Don't forget to breathe. If silly questions continue to dominate your club gatherings, rest assured that you are in the majority.

Sincerely

Amelia Airhead - Always getting strange looks



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