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Flying Field Location:

The flying field is located off Old Galena Road, 1/2 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, 7 days a week.

Membership:

Club dues are \$110/year. If paid on or before the December club meeting: \$90, If paid between December meeting and Jan 1st, \$100. 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 always welcomes 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.

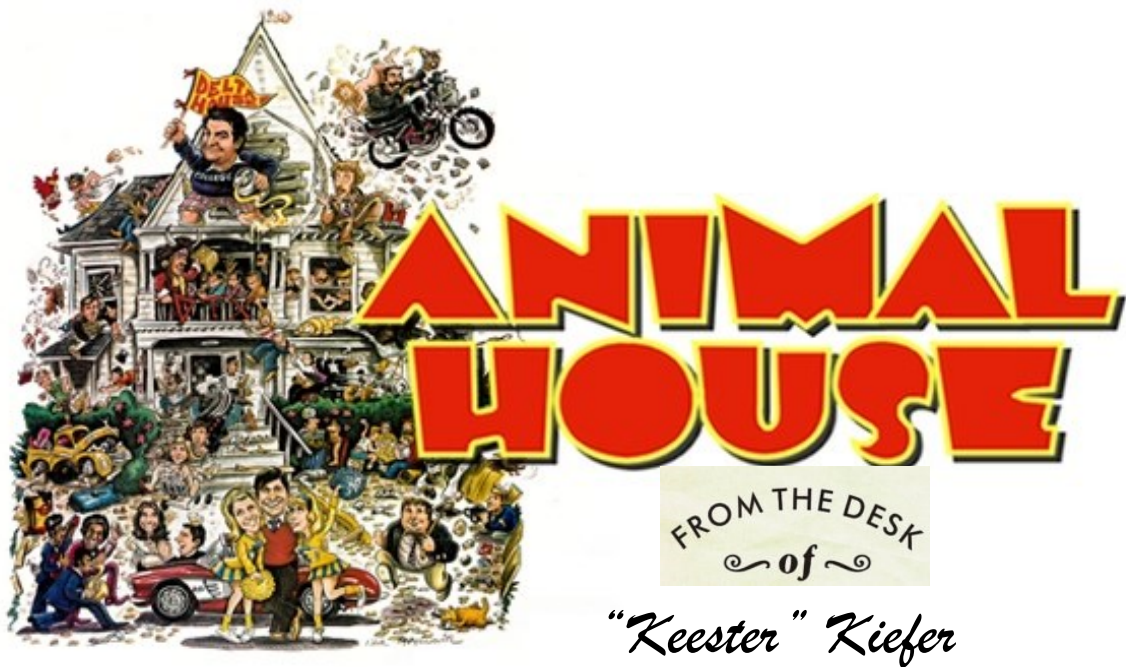


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After a season of engine work:

Dewey's Extra 300 is back in the air and better than ever



Well, here we are starting off the month of July 2015. The field mower is now back in operation and looks as though our field will once again be in "golf course" shape. I'd like to throw out a big thanks to Don Steadman for mowing the field while the club mower was in the ER. We've had the experience of yet another Fat Lake Pattern contest in which I learned how to record scores for the event. Reminded me of my high school Algebra class. Enough said there. All in all, I believe the Fat Lake Pattern event went off without a hitch thanks to the high tech. weather information availability nowadays, we completed the event on Saturday luckily as the weather Sunday was totally non-cooperative.

I'd like to segway into talking about the de Havilland Mosquito. The De Havilland DH.98 Mosquito was a British multi-role combat aircraft with a two-man crew that served during and after the Second World War. It was one of few operational front-line aircraft of the era constructed almost entirely of wood and was nicknamed "The Wooden Wonder. As a night fighter, from mid-1942, the Mosquito intercepted Luftwaffe raids on the United Kingdom, notably defeating Operation Steinbock in 1944. Starting in July 1942, Mosquito

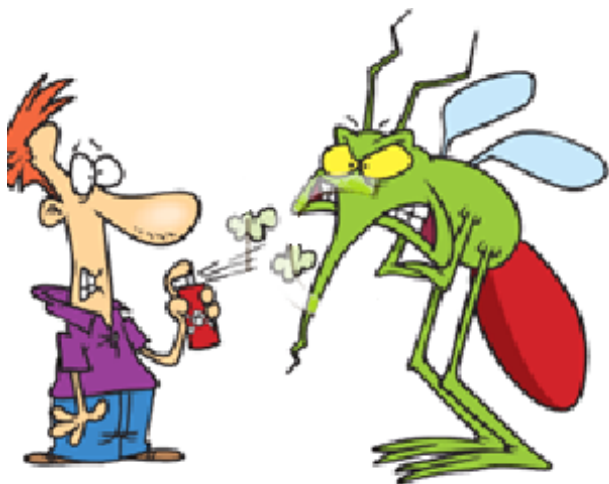
I would now like to turn our attention to another Mosquito, and that is the flying wonders we're encountering at the field due to our above average rainfall. If anyone has been to the field in the past few days, especially in the evening, these guys are really a nuisance. I mean, they could really inflict harm on our favorite past time. I don't think fly swatters would suffice as most of our attention is on our major investment up in the air.



Then again, if you're not protected, you're leaving yourself open to who knows what. Take for example this poor chap who did not use protection. Not only did he suffer a major prop strike on the index finger, but he donated the tip of his thumb to the cause, stopped to take a photo of his donation before he went to the ER, and what for, just because he didn't think ahead and use protection.



I am speaking on experience here as I was all encompassed in a swarm the other night as I was out at the field. Luckily, I brought some protection.



You bet, some Deep Woods Off. Just a slight spray and you can see those bugs stop dead in their tracks. Well, enough said here, just make sure you bring some spray to the field if you'd like to enjoy your time there.

On and ending note as we enter yet another month of celebrating our freedom not only as a nation, but as a free people. A free people to experience freedom of who, what and how we worship, what we want to be in life, and the freedom to do it. The freedom to move about our free nation without question, without condemnation. To experience the freedom of speech, of thought, and of action. The freedom to work hard and be rewarded for it. The freedom to have fun, and experience that fun with loved ones, and friends. The freedom of just plain being free. I'd like to end this newsletter by having each and everyone one of us whenever possible thank those individual men and women who have defended our freedom and for the sacrifice they have given to do so. This message is dedicated to those who are still defending that freedom today, and to those who have defended our freedom in the past. ***We salute you.***



Have a great summer.

Your Prez, **Mark Kiefer**

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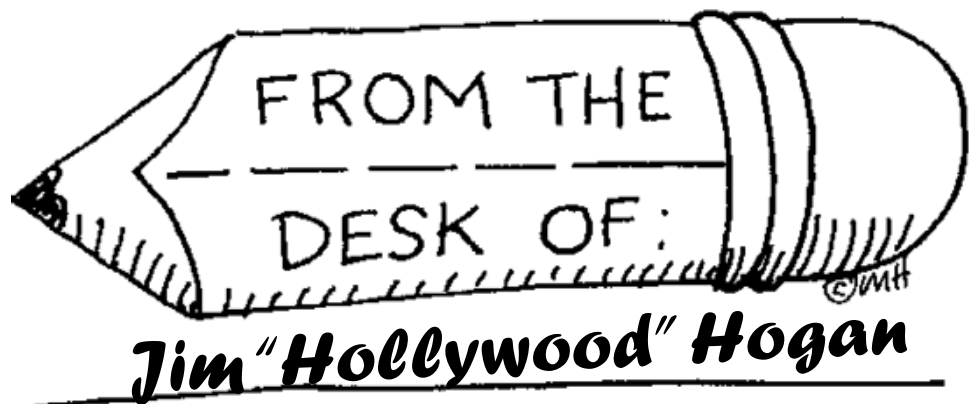
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"The best part of our hobby"

If I asked for a show of hands,



Warbirds? Electrics? Glow? Gas? Foamies?

I'm sure we would all vote for "Warbirds" as the best part of our hobby Right! **Wrong!** I looked at our new flight log sign in sheet and found a majority of the flying is with electric powered airplanes. Most of those would be in the park flyer category. My observation is most electrics at our field are Raptors, Racers and the "Roger's/Vern's". However, gas powered airplanes appear to be growing while glow powered airplanes are sliding in popularity. So what is "the best part of the hobby"?



Photo by: Joe Lang



Well, we host two major events during the year including the "Open House" and the "Pattern Contest" which draw people from all over our region. So maybe what they fly would be the best part of the hobby. It looks like they fly the same stuff we do. Visitors to our club are a good source of information, but sitting down and talking to them reveals we have the same interests toward the hobby. The pattern flyers are the most sophisticated of the modelers we see. When I look at their stuff and our guys stuff, there is not much difference.

Then this thought came to me. We built the shelter with an overhanging roof and extended patio to be able to sit in the lawn chairs and talk with fellow members and visitors while enjoying the day. We have developed good friends from all over our area. No matter what color your club shirt is, it is about the people who wear them. Yes, **"the best part of our hobby"** is the people in the lawn chairs.



See you in the Lawn chairs.

Jim \"Hollywood\" Hogan



Photos by:
Terry Beachler





Saturday 6/13 was another perfect day for aerial combat. Unfortunately, only Roger Stegall and Jim Fassino took advantage of the light winds to mix-it-up in a display of ribbon-envy. The first heat looked like it was going to be another unsuccessful effort to shorten a streamer until Roger executed a tight dive and dissected Jim's yellow ribbon with only 20 seconds remaining in the skirmish. During the 2nd sortie, Jim ran out of battery power in the 3rd minute of the contest. Round #3 was a full-blown aerial battle but neither pilot was capable to execute a victory. Points for the day were Roger – 6 points, Jim Fassino – 1 point. YTD tallies are as follows: Roger Stegall – 16, Roger Wheeler – 4, John Hoelscher – 4, Jim Fassino – 3, Glen Howard – 1.





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Three contestants (Jim Fassino, Jim Hogan and Roger Stegall) took to the air for the first heat of the June edition of No Fear Racing. Hogan's Skyraider MKII beat everybody to the start line but was soon passed by the other racers. Roger took the lead by the 2nd lap and had an easy victory of more than ½ lap. Fassino was 2nd and Hogan got the 3rd place finish. The finish order for Race #2 was exactly the same as the first with a similar margin of victory. The 3rd heat saw Jim Fassino take the early lead and he never relinquished that lead with Roger about 50' behind and Jim Hogan logging another 3rd place finish. The sun was in full bloom for the final heat of the morning. Fassino's Wingman passed Roger and Hogan's Skyraiders on the 2nd lap and made them eat the aftermath of his expended milliamps all the way to the finish. So far this year, Jim's electric Wingman has beaten Roger's Skyraider 4 times and Roger's glow version has finished ahead of Fassino 4 times. Scores for the day were: Jim Fassino -22, Roger Stegall - 22, Jim Hogan -16. YTD tallies are as follows: Roger Stegall – 51, Jim Fassino – 44, Tom Imhoff – 20, Jim Hogan – 16, Glen Howard – 14, Mark Keefer – 5.

Roger Stegall

UNLIMITED PYLON RACING



Brian Chumbley, Jim Fassino and Roger Stegall participated in the June contest for electric pylon. Both Jim and Roger brought their EFX racers along with their well-worn foam Raptors. Since Brian had a home-made Raptor, it was decided that all would fly Raptors for the first 2 race heats. Brian had the perfect start with his foam insulation Raptor but got passed by both the other two lighter – white foam Raptors. Roger was 1st across the finish line more than 1 lap ahead of Brian. Fassino did not finish because he had a pusher propeller that made his Raptor want to turn right on a race course that allowed only left turns. When pylon turn judges were consulted, Roger had cut 4 times during the 6-lap race, giving Brian the victory. Race #2 was almost a mirror image of the first. Brian got another great start, Fassino landed early because his battery lost one cell. Roger was again first across the finish line by a full lap. Again, the turn judges had accumulated 2 cuts for Roger leaving Brian in 1st place. After Brian had concluded his 6th lap of that 2nd race, one of the control horns on his Raptor became detached so that he had no elevator control and the plane would only spiral one direction (it uses elevon mixing). Since Brian was out of the 3rd race, Jim and Roger used their twin launch ramps to send their EFX planes into the bright sunny sky. Jim had about a 50' lead at the start line and he never relinquished that lead until the final turn when Roger decided to go for the gusto and pulled a super tight turn to edge Jim at the finish line. The turn judges again flagged Roger for 2 pylon cuts (including that last turn). Scores for the day were: Brian Chumbley -40, Jim Fassino – 20, Roger Stegall – 0 – Nada – Squadoosh. YTD scores are as follows: Brian Chumbley – 88, Jim Fassino – 80, Roger Stegall – 73, Tom Imhoff – 20, David Evans – 20.

Roger Stegall



Jim Hogan and I ventured out to the field on Saturday June 6th to watch some of the Fat Lake Pattern contest. As we entered the field I could not believe my eyes, an appositely beautiful warbird was sitting at the beginning of our flight line. That's right I said a warbird at the pattern contest! It seemed strange, so we walked down the flight line to take a closer look. We saw not one but three different models for sale. An 81" 30cc Canadian Spitfire, a 50cc Japanese Zero and a P51D Mustang, all made out of very light weight and very strong compost. Jim Hogan and I were soon joined by several other club members and we all gave these new warbirds a close inspection. The craftsmanship and the detail is unbelievable, they even reproduced the finished cockpits down to every detail.



Photo By T. Beachler



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The only problem is, they reproduced them off of today's pictures and not World War II's. The finished Spitfire's cockpit has a modern day touch screen GPS on the firewall instead of a WWII gun sight. All the models are made to drop electric retracts right into the wing. I was even more impressed with the price. The Spitfire sells for \$699 and the retracts for \$350. I can also say the retracts are well build and are very "PROTOTYPICAL" (Jim Hogan's favorite word). I like to use the word CORRECT. The gear comes with the correct angled main gear with built in struts and door covers. All three of the planes come with wing tubs and a two piece wing for easy transportation.



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Spitfire and Zero photos from Gator RC Facebook

This is a startup company run by a friend of PRCM, Mike Muller ,who runs the F3A pattern airplane sales. Mike took on this new product line and he said there are several more warbirds for future production , to include a F4UF Corsair and a P47 Thunderbolt. This is a much more affordable venture than the similar and much heavier options already on the market. They also have replacement parts, for those who just might need some on occasion. I fell in love with the Spitfire and it just might be a winter project for me.

Jon F Dewey



July 2015



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Happy Canada Day! 	2 7am 	3	4 7am  
5	6	7 At the field 7pm  Club Meeting !	8	9 7am 	10	11  
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Dear:

Sum Ting Wong

These are the rantings of a ghost-writers known but to God. Someone has taken on the pen name of "Dear Sum Ting Wong". Other than the physical copying from one medium to another, the editor takes no responsibility in the blasphemy and lunacy herein expressed.



Dear: No one can listen,

First let me ask, are you sure he is talking to himself if no one is listening? He might be singing and trying to create some nice background music for your club meeting. Or He may be getting ready for a try-out to become the 6th member of DEVO, and your club meeting just might have the best acoustics for him to practice. Just sit back and enjoy the music! At least he is not talking about K.V's and battery outputs, how boring would that be? But if he becomes a **BIGGER** distraction, I would have to tell you just: **WHIP HIM, WHIP HIM GOOD!**



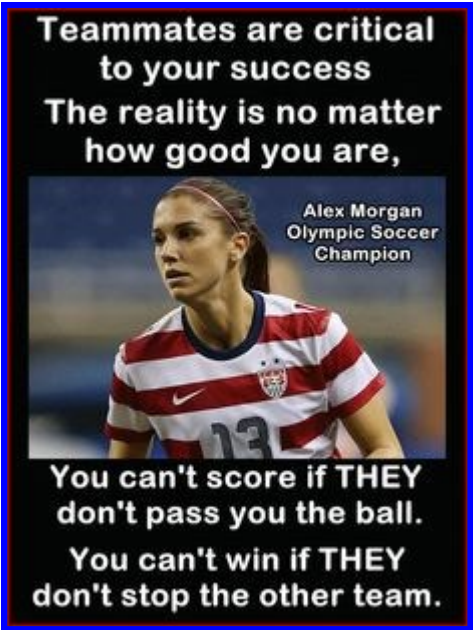
So Wong:

At our last club meeting, a member keep talking while the rest of us were trying to discuss an issue. He keep mumbling something about a whip and his doctor. At first I thought he was trying to be John Candy in the movie *The Blues Brothers*, ordering 3 orange whips because it was so hot outside. But I never saw the waitress he was "talking" to. So Wong, how to we ask him to stop talking to himself during our club meetings so the rest of us can hear what is going on?

Signed, *No-one can listen*

PRCM Co-Pilot

of the Month



It was a close vote for the July Co-Pilot of the Month. Since both were American Olympians. The committee had to go with Alex Morgan based on the fact she has not *CHANGED* over the years. She is who she is. And the Runner up, WELL? Who knows.

Runner up

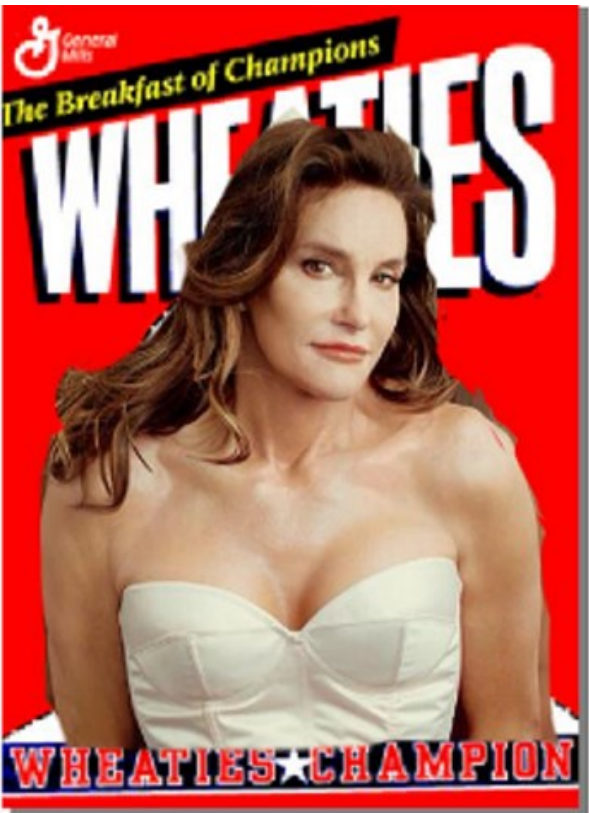
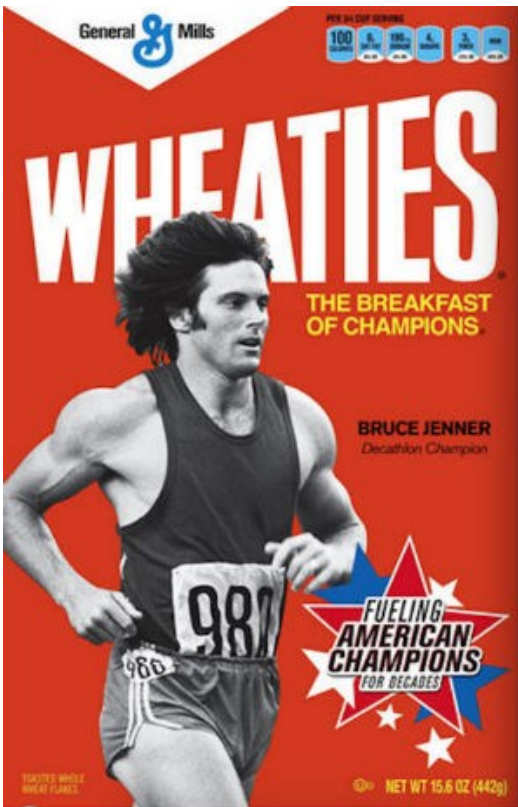




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DO YOU BAGEL?

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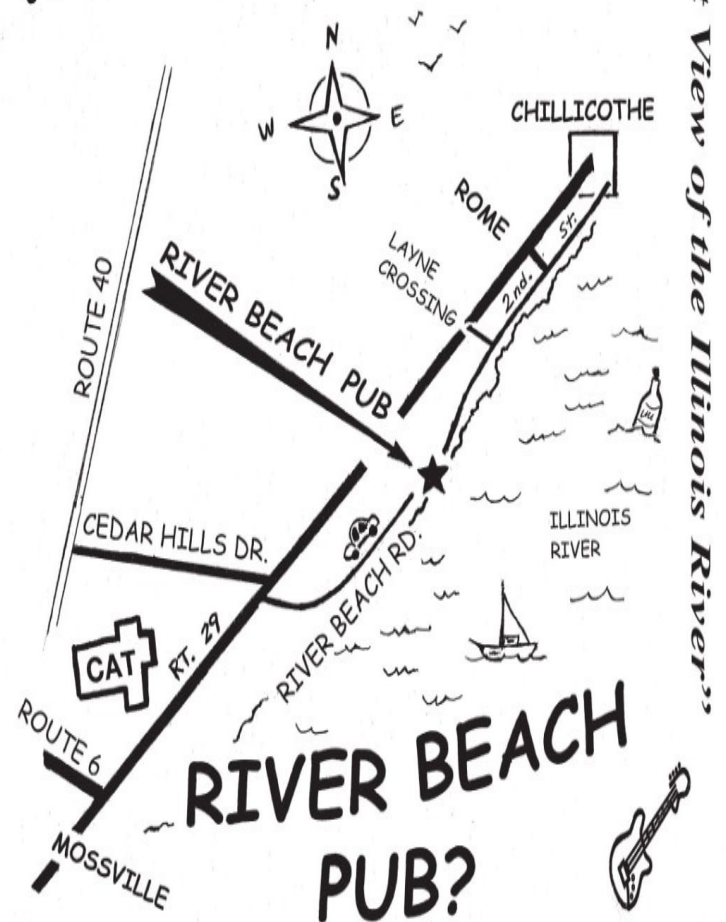
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