

PEORIA RC MODELERS

2017

NEWSLETTER

Oktoberfest

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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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1954



Photo of the Month



Photo by: Hogan

PRCM was well represented at Barnstormers over Champaign this year.

The PRCM flight line:

Bill White's : T-6 Texan, FW- 190A Focke-Wulf

Don Steadman's : DHC-6 Twin Otter , T-28 Trojan, P-51 Mustang

Jim Hogan's : Decathlon

George Knight's: Citabria

Jon Dewey's: Extra 300

Steve Blessin's : Polish Fokker D VIII

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"Society of Antique Modelers, Radio Controlled Helicopter Association, and League of Silent Flyers" are just a few examples of the "special interest groups" associated with the Academy of Model Aeronautics. They are AMA Members who have interest in flying antiques, helicopters, sailplanes, or whatever. Taildraggers is a special interest group of Peoria RC Modelers.

Taildraggers started about four years ago with club members who were retired, laid off, unmotivated, or off duty. Flying on Fridays was a chance to get together to fly, followed by lunch and more flying. Over the years, the group had grown from three or four flyers to six or eight this summer.

Taildraggers normally fly gas, glow or larger electric airplanes, but any aircraft is welcome. Joe Lang can see us flying from his work and joins us over his lunch hour. He tells us he wants to join us but he'll have to take a day off. We'll see him soon!

Some club members fly at other times and some comment that flying alone is not as much fun as flying with others. By having organized flying on Fridays, club members can expect others to be flying at the same time.

The members of Taildraggers may comment about our landing or takeoff, but you can also expect help with your airplane. Taildraggers is open to any PRCM member or any AMA member who wants to fly with this group. Draggers don't care what you fly, but would simply enjoy your company.

The group also attends other area club's events. We thank other clubs for participating in our events and support their events. Even if you do not want to fly at other fields, you are welcome to travel with the Taildraggers for a day of good companionship with other PRCM members and meet new people from other clubs. PS, nose wheeled airplanes or no wheels at all are welcome.

"See you in the lawn chairs"



Jim "Hollywood" Hogan





NO FEAR PYLON

The September 9th edition of No Fear racing was another picture-perfect day for competition. Jim Hogan and Roger Stegall readied their glow-powered Skyraider Mark 2s for competition against Roger Weber and Jim Fassino's electric Wingmans. The first heat had a pretty even count-down start by all 4 competitors. Fassino and Stegall were never more than 50 feet apart during all eight laps of the race. It wasn't until the last pylon that Stegall out-turned Fassino to take a narrow victory, followed by Hogan and Weber. The 2nd race was almost a duplicate of the first except that Fassino timed the start perfectly, leaving everybody else in his dust. Try as they may, nobody could catch the wild Italian. Fassino got the win, followed by Stegall, Hogan and Weber. Heat #3 was pretty competitive for all contestants. Again, JF had a perfectly timed start and never relinquished his lead. Stegall was a solid 2nd with Weber and Hogan close behind. The final No Fear race of the day and year was a bit more crazy and unpredictable than the others. This time, Jim Fassino was early to the start line and had to execute a loop to cross the start line after the zero count. All other racers were about ¼ lap ahead at full throttle. It took this late starter 7 laps to catch the pack and slide into first place. But wouldn't you know it, that Stegall guy again used a superior tight turn on the final western pylon to claim the victory by just a few feet. The order of finish was Stegall, Fassino, Hogan, and Weber. Scores for the day were: Fassino 18, Stegall 18, Hogan 11 and Weber 9. Year Ending Scores for the racing season were: Roger Stegall 45, Jim Fassino 41, Roger Weber 38, Jim Hogan 37, Jon Dewey 32, and George Knight 9.

Roger Stegall



STREAMERS OVER MOSSVILLE

Roger Weber, Jim Fassino, Verne Holeman and Roger Stegall were the combatants for this season-ending round of competition. The only eventful activity of the first four-minute flight was when Verne managed to slice into Jim's Lipo battery without actually cutting Jim's streamer. This battery contact knocked Fassino out of the air leaving the other 3 competitors in a futile effort to gain a tail-cutting victory. Heat #2 experienced two drop outs when Holeman had to land early because of a weak battery and Stegall had a servo strip on his left wing causing his combat ship to gently spiral to the ground. All four combat pilots were into the air for the start of the final round of competition. During the first minute of activity, Holeman managed to shorten about a 20-foot length of Jim's ribbon. Unfortunately, that long length of streamer remained draped across Vern's right wing, causing him to land early because of the additional drag. Points for the day were: Holeman 4, Weber 3, Stegall 2 and Fassino 1. Year-To-Date Combat points for the season were: Stegall 17, Fassino 15, Weber 11, Holeman 8, Stedman 5, Wheeler 3, Dewey 2 and Blessin 1.

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UNLIMITED PYLON



RACING

SPECIAL THANKS



Twin launch ramps were positioned into a slight easterly breeze, in preparation for the launching of Jim Fassino's yellow EFX against Roger Stegall's red EFX. All three races of the day had identical results of Fassino in first place followed by Stegall. When you are traveling at 130 MPH, the slightest bobble on the sticks makes for a very large bobble in the air. These 6-lap races last barely more than a minute which leaves some battery fun-time on the standard 4S 1800 MaH Lipos. Post race, Jim executed some very impressive 4-5 second climbs that took his speedy little yellow dot to the very limits of visual recognition. Scores for the day were: Fassino 60, Stegall 30.

Year-To-Date scores were:

Jim Fassino 134, Roger Stegall 50 and Roger Wheeler 40.

Roger Stegall



FAST & FURIOUS

A special THANK YOU to Steve Blessin who organized this year's Family day. The day and food were a big success. Unfortunately several aircraft did not fair as well. As Steve said: "It was no big deal to do it".

Gracias



Family FUN Day





Its time to move the club meetings indoors.



12200 N BRENTFIELD DRIVE
DUNLAP, IL 61525

Dinner at 6pm
Meeting at 7pm

OCTOBER 2017						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	 Club Meeting	4	 7AM i'm lovin' it	 1030ish	 7AM
8		10	11	 7AM	 Happy Birthday	 7AM
15	16	17	18	 7AM		 7AM
22	23	24	25	 7AM i'm lovin' it		 7AM
29	30		31			



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.

So Wong:

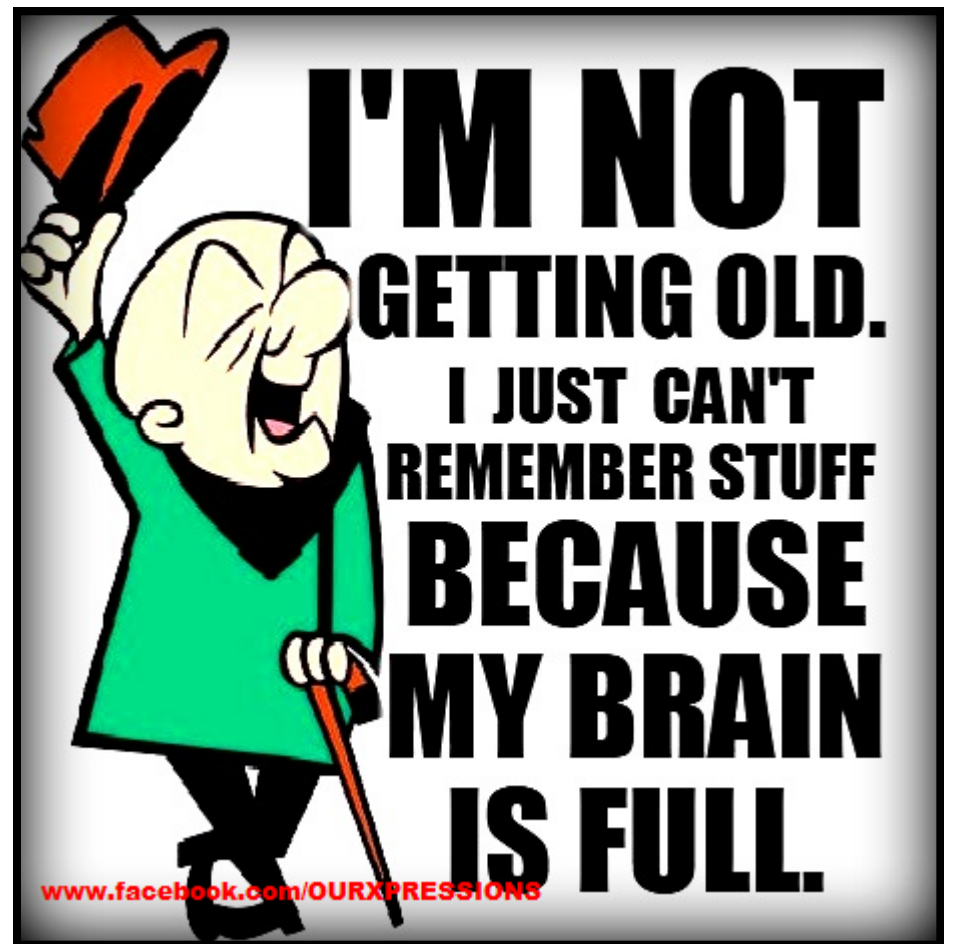
Last month a group of us ventured down to Champaign for their Big bird event. It was a beautiful day and every thing seemed to be going perfect, Until: Our self appointed leader, I'll call him the "Head Dragger", wouldn't land. At the beginning of the day we were told everyone had to land between 2pm and 2:30 pm for a funeral which would be held close by. As 2pm approached our leader was still flying, now going on for close to 30 minutes. Soon the PA announced that a pilot had a problem. Well, Guess who it was? His throttle was stuck in the full open position and he had no way of shutting the engine off to land at a reasonable speed. Because he had no shut off switch, he would have to fly his airplane until he ran out of gas. The sky was cleared of all other airplanes except his. And now we waited and waited and waited and watched as he flew circles around the field. What really rub me the wrong way is, several years ago the same thing happened to me at our field. However I didn't know a kill switch was possible. The next day I purchased and installed a switch so this would not happen to me again. The "Head Dragger" was present for my flight and I purchased him a kill switch for his airplane also. Since then I have also bought him at least one more switch FREE OF CHARGE.

So the question is: Since he knows these switches are available and required on gas engines, has them in his possession and were FREE to him. Then WHY has he not installed them on his airplanes?

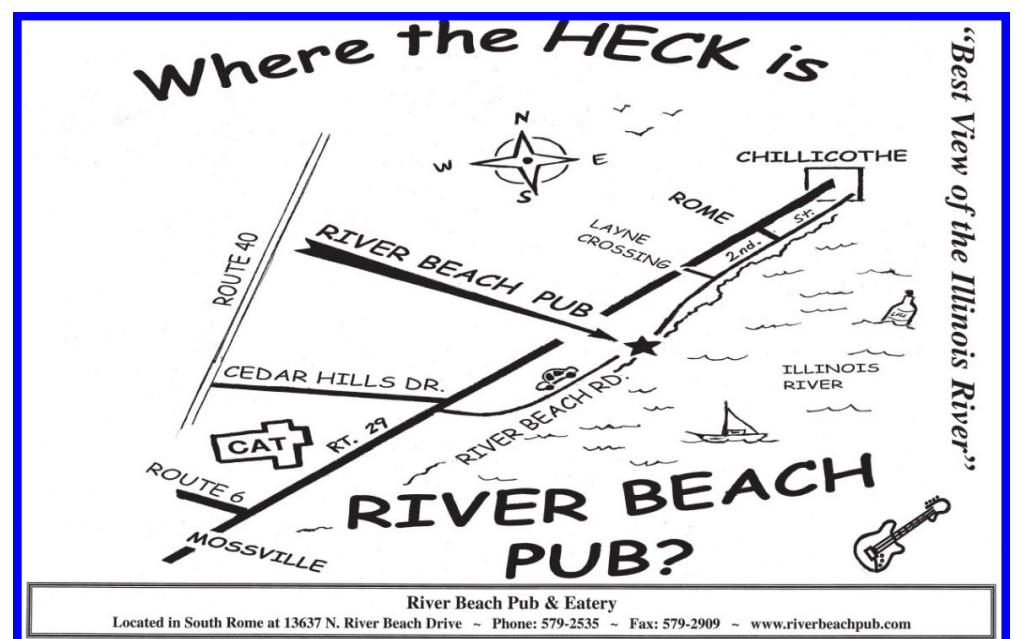
Signed: **A Tail Dragger**

Dear Dragger:

This is a clear case of either the *LOOK AT ME* scenario, or the *I Can't remember Stuff* scenario. I am guessing if he is the "Head Dragger" he has been around for a while and has already had his time in the spotlight. So that leads me to believe it is the CRS scenario. There is not much you can do to prevent this from happening again. It happens to all of us over time. Next time just give him a BIG hug and tell him that was a nice flight!.



S.T.W 高少咪



Prost! SALUD!
saúde! Viva! Cin Cin! Alla salute!
Cheers! Skål!
A VOTRE SANTÉ!
Proost! Salute!



To Our PRCM Co Pilot of the Month

Oktoberfest

Where men wear
tight leather shorts
and the
accordion player
gets the chicks.





If you didn't make it to this years Fall Scramble Warbirds & Classics Event, you really missed out. This was the 8th year and it is still growing. By far this was their biggest yet. The Streator club really put on a great event, great field, great hospitality, great home-made food and a lot of great pilots and planes. Pilots came from as far away as Minnesota. Their event is never limited by size, so even my small 80" J3 Cub was welcome. Make planes on joining us next year for the 9th annual road trip to Streator. If you don't want to fly, just come and watch.



Two of my Favorites



Just part of the flight line



D.W.

“KEEP’EM FLYING!”

Ahoy there



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