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The Johnstown R/C Club

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February 2010 Newsletter

Johnstown R/C Club's Forty-Eighth Year

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Upcoming Activities.....

February Club Meeting

Tuesday, February 2nd, 7:30 pm Richland
Municipal Building

March Club Meeting

Tuesday, March 2nd, 7:30pm

Annual Club Banquet:

Saturday, March 27th, 6pm Windber American
Legion Hall, Windber, PA

Annual Club Mall Show:

April 30, and May 1 & 2 Galleria Mall
Rt. 219 Johnstown. Setup will be Thursday
Night, April 29th 7pm.

In-Door Fly-In a Big Hit!

On Tuesday, January 5th, our Johnstown RC Club held our annual In-Door Fly-In with great success. Even though there was an all-day snow storm, the turnout was fantastic! We had 25 club members present, plus about 20 guests and wives. The ladies from the LDS church put on a wonderful spread of food! Our thanks to all who provided food for the wonderful dinner.

President Sam conducted a short business meeting and then we pushed back the chairs and tables and ate well, and then flew all sorts of aircraft suitable for in-door use. The facilities were wonderful. Thanks to Roger and Herb for bringing their flight simulators, which were busy most of the evening. There was only one major crash which involved a helie and a slow flyer. The helie won!



The turnout included most of our veteran flyers, plus a good many new members of our club. As you can see in the picture at the bottom of the previous page, we had a good number of youth who participated this year as well. (I counted 39 total)



Included were some father-son teams, as well as at least one father-daughter duo with Cliff Majercsik and his daughter Abby. A good time was had by all.



In the picture below, Fred, Travis, and Kenny wind up their slow flyers for a spin around the room. Both Kenny and Sam each had one tuned to perfection which made quite a numerous slow turns with its rubber band powered motor powering the craft.



Above, Sam had to take his plane into the “pits” for some quick repairs!



Lou Farkas had a neat little RC indoor plane that flew really well. For more pictures from the event, go to our website, www.johnstownrc.org and click on the 2010 In-Door Fly-In link. There are probably 40 additional pics of the various activities that took place that night! For those who never attended one of these events, you missed a really good time! We have another one scheduled in conjunction with our April club meeting, so you have one more chance!

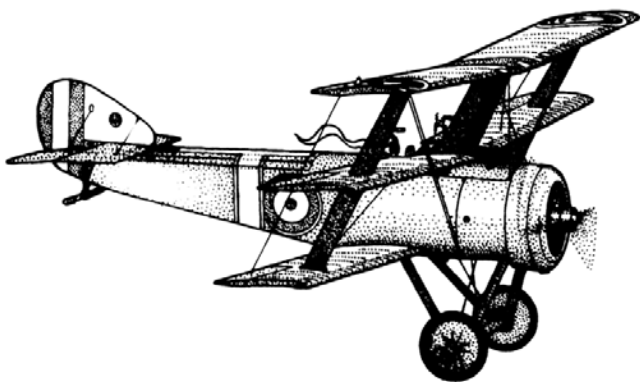
Meeting Recap.....

The meeting was kind of short, but we did discuss our finances. The bills for our annual mowing bill, plus the field lease, came due and have been paid. Those are our two largest annual expenses, so the treasury took a big hit with these expenditures. This makes it even more important for each of us to pony up our modest annual dues to help build up our funds for the coming flying season. Remember, to take the \$5 discount, you have to have your dues in by the end of January, if not, the full \$40 dues is required.

It was decided to hold our April club meeting at Camp Harmony, near Hollsopple, PA. This will allow us a second In-Door Fly-In this year as they have a wonderful, and very large, indoor arena, which will allow for more indoor flying. More details will be coming in future monthly newsletters.

Flea Market News.....

The annual Export Flea Market with Auction is coming on Sunday, Feb. 7th, 2010 in Export, PA. The Murrsville Area RC Society holds this annual event at the Export, PA American Legion Hall. Many of our members have attended this event in the past and the admission fee is only \$3. Anything RC is permitted to be sold. For more info, call Gene Binduga at 724-733-8106. The location is only a mile off of Rt. 22, on Old William Penn Highway. Turn at the Export signpost.



Another great flea market, and perhaps one of the largest in the country, is the 30th Annual RC Flea Market, sponsored by the Central Penn Aeromodelers Asso. at Lebanon, PA. This large event is usually attended by a number of our members who keep going back each year to “stock up” on planes and equipment. This year, it will be held on Saturday, March 13th at the Lebanon Fairgrounds, 80 Rocherty Road, Lebanon, PA. Admission to this premier event is \$7 and worth every penny, even if you don’t pick up anything! For info, call Frank at 717-412-8579. They market their event as the largest RC flea market in the whole USA! You could probably car-pool with other club members if you want to attend this event.

Sam also got a flyer from the Northern Connecticut Radio Control Club about their annual auction and swap meet which will be held on Sunday, February 14th. In Vernon, CT. They advertise their event as “New England’s Largest RC Auction”. I don’t suppose too many of you will venture up for this, but if you are interested call 860-749-4456 or visit their website www.ncrcc.com for more details.

Fuel Sale.....

Roger Luther has agreed to run his pick-up down to J & C Hobbies in Pittsburgh to pick up fuel sometime in March. They will give us a “truck load” price, which includes tax for their “Wildcat” RC fuel. I’ve been using it with great results during the past flying season. The prices will be as follows.
.....Wildcat 10% fuel, \$15/gal \$56/case

Wildcat 15% fuel, \$16/gal \$60/case

Be thinking about how much you might want, and plan to give Roger a check for that amount by the first of March. Ken Reese has agreed to let us use his garage as the distribution point. When they run the sale, about mid-March, Roger will pick it up and bring it back to Ken’s garage for pickup. This is a one time, cash up front deal.



A special "Thank You" goes out to Neil Woffinden, & his wife Myrna, our hosts, Bob Anderson and his wife, as well as Bonnie Luther, Judy & Herb Ewald, and all those who provided food and the extra efforts to put on this very successful In-Door Fly-In. Thank you all so much!

Dues now Over-Due.....

Both our club, and the AMA work on a calendar accounting system, and therefore both dues, which are required to fly at our field, are now overdue. Please take care of these obligations promptly to keep your membership up to date and to help support your club. Remember, in order fly at any field, you must have a current AMA membership card.

Website Update.....

Your webmaster wants to continue to keep our website www.johnstownrc.org updated and fresh. You will always be able to check it for upcoming important functions, dates, etc. as well as pictures from our events. Already, there is a link on the front page with pictures from the just held In-Door Fly-In. There are also links to a set of pictures of past Mall Shows, Banquets, and pictures from our field for "07", "08, and "09". Soon we will start one for the year 2010, our 48th year as an RC Club. If you don't have your picture on the site anywhere, you haven't been coming to the clubs events!

Annual Club Banquet...

The clubs annual banquet will be again held at the Windber American Legion Hall. This one will be on Saturday night, March 27th, 6pm. Bring a old favorite, or a new plane you have worked on during the winter for display. We will have time to look'em over, vote for the best in show, and to have a wonderful meal, followed by some awards given out. This event had 47 folks present for last year, let's top this one out at over 50! We hope to see you at this years banquet.



We were glad to see Paul Hofecker, and his wife, Annette present for this years Fly-In. Also, in the picture below, Grant Moore says it all with the joy of flying that helie!



A fun night for everybody who attended!

2010 Dues Form.....

Date Paid: _____ Check #: _____	Frequencies Used: _____
Name: _____	_____
No. & Street: _____	Do you use 2.4 Ghz radios: Y___ N___
City: _____ State: ___ Zip: _____	You must have an AMA card to fly
Phone No: _____	At our field.
Email Address: _____	Is it OK to send your monthly news-
AMA #: _____	letter via email? Yes___ No ___
Date of Birth: _____ - _____ - _____	Send your completed form with your
Spouses first name: _____	check made out to the Johnstown RC
Membership Category: (check one)	Club to: Ken Shilling 109 Hoyt Street
___ Open Membership (over 19 years...\$40)	Johnstown, PA 15904
___ Junior Member (under 19 years.....\$5)	If paid by January 30 th , Open Members
___ Non-Flying Member (\$15)	Can take a \$5 Discount!

2010 Annual Banquet.....

Annual Banquet Reservation Form:
Saturday, March 27th, 6:00 pm Windber American Legion Hall
Menu: Swiss Steak and Roast Turkey with all the fixins. Cutoff date is March 20 th !
The cost is \$16 per person, 12 and under are half price, at \$8 each. We will have a good program, awards, A guest speaker, and pictures from the past year. Plus, we will have a plane display, so get your new plane Under construction now! Send your name, and the names of your guests in with your check made out to The Johnstown RC Club, to treasurer Ken Shilling, 109 Hoyt Street, Johnstown, PA 15904.
NAME: _____ No. of Adults: _____ # Youth: _____
Names of those attending: _____
_____ Total Enclosed: \$ _____