

CORKS NEWSLETTER

April 2008

Central Ohio Radio Kontrol Society

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Flying hours: Monday thru Saturday 10AM to 8PM Sunday 11AM to 8 PM

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, April 2nd at the Sunbury Library – 7 P.M.

April Ramblings from the Prez:

March has been a slow news month and I don't have much to report. Hopefully flying season is just around the corner and things will pick up. I hope a lot of members are getting their winter projects ready for this month's CORKS Static Show. As has been the custom, there will be cash prizes for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place models in the "Scratch or Kit Built" category and the same for ARFs. Don't miss this opportunity to see what your fellow club members have been up to over the winter and to showcase your work if you did some building. Those present will do the judging. I have been putting in a lot of hours lately on my project and it is going to be close, it may be a "Don Bryant".

On a positive note, I finally heard back from the AMA on the application I put together and sent in for the Club Recognition and Rewards program in February. The AMA accepted our work at the Knox County Aviation Day and sent us a check for \$100. Thanks to the members who participated and to the Mount Vernon Times for giving us recognition in a front page story last year. I'm including the letter I received from the AMA and the check has been deposited in our treasury.

At the last meeting one of Mike See's friends, Dennis Brewster, from the Cincinnati area just moved back to Columbus and he signed up for membership. He is now a member of the club. Dennis is already a skilled pilot and will be flying with Mike at the field. Be sure to greet Dennis, and welcome him to our club.

I would like to thank Marty Clippinger for offering to take over for Ginny Lowder to purchase door prizes for next year's banquet. She will be working with Pat Liston to make sure all the gals get a nice gift.

Several of our club members are still battling health issues. I'm glad Darrel Stonebreaker continues his gradual improvement. Nick Magora is hoping to get a walking cast on his foot that was operated on to repair a badly torn tendon and might make it to the next meeting. Gil Lowder is doing well with his new pacemaker and if Nick can drive both will be at the next meeting. I don't have any new news on Pat Kingston, but I hope he is continuing to improve. Paul Reiner had some health issues when we got the blizzard and ended up spending a night in the hospital. I talked to him last week and he is doing much better. Getting older sure isn't for wimps. Let's keep these friends in our thoughts.

Elgin

YOU ONLY NEED TWO TOOLS IN LIFE - WD-40 AND DUCT TAPE. IF IT DOESN'T MOVE AND SHOULD, USE THE WD-40. IF IT SHOULDN'T MOVE AND DOES, USE THE DUCT TAPE.

IF YOU CAN'T FIX IT WITH A HAMMER, YOU'VE GOT AN ELECTRICAL PROBLEM.

From the Editor:

I would like to recognize members who have birthdays this month and give you a chance to wish them a happy birthday. These members have April birthdays: Dennis Brewster on 4/3, Paul Fannin on 4/8, Tom Jones on 4/10 and Roger Gorrell on 4/16.

As always, if you see something that is of no value or if you have suggestions for change, let me know. The e-mail address for you to contact me is hmbengr@earthlink.net and there is always the phone (614) 899-3800 or snail mail.

Elgin

Corks Meeting 3-5-08

Guests: Dennis Brewster was there with Mike See. He signed up for membership, and is now a member of the club. Dennis is already a skilled pilot and will be flying with Mike at the field. Be sure to greet Dennis, and welcome him to our club.

Members: 8

Minutes Last Meeting: Approved as printed in the newsletter.

Treasurer's report: Approved as read.

Old Business: The president opened the meeting with a notice that Gil Lowder has had some health issues, and has been in the hospital where he received a pace maker. Gil is doing fine and will be returning to his activities in the near future. Along with Gil are others of the club that are recovering from health issues also. Those members are Darrel Stonebreaker, Pat Kingston & Nick Magora. We wish all these guys a speedy recovery, and will be looking for them back at our meetings, and at the field.

The president noted that there will be no more hand outs of the treasury report at every meeting as has been done in the past. They are usually discarded and an unnecessary expense. Printed reports will be distributed approximately quarterly or after a major event. If you need a copy contact our treasurer to get one.

The field insurance has been paid and a copy sent to Bill See, the field owner.

Elgin spoke about our banquet and noted that we had a total of 30 people show up for it. He said that next year it will be requested that we have more than one waitress wait tables for us.

Last month it was stated that CORKS had sent in a newspaper article that can possibly warrant us \$100 for participating in this activity with the AMA. So far there has been no notice that we will get any award. But we will continue to wait.

It was noted that Marty Clippinger will help with gathering the door prizes for our club banquet this year.

George Lust suggested that if you need plans to build from, you need to look at the web-site www.myunclewillie.com. He has some oldies but goodies there along with others.

Show & Tell: George Lust brought in his newly finished model of an Aeronca Sedan. It was built from a Pica Kit, and is a scale plane. It has an 84" wingspan, uses a Saito 100 four stroke engine and it is covered in a scale design scheme with burgundy & beige Monocote. George has done his excellent work once again, so look for this model at the April static show.

50/50 Drawing: No drawing for this meeting due to the absence of the treasurer.

Meeting Adjourned.

Don

Safety Reminders for the New Season

by AMA Staff

AMA would like everyone to have a safe flying year with no accidents. Here are some items that might help in that regard.

The first is the use of Li-Poly batteries in our models. If you are flying electric airplanes with Li-Poly batteries, it is highly recommended that a fire extinguisher be kept in your car. Fire caused by Li-Poly batteries can happen through a shortage, improper charging, or crash damage. Standard household extinguishers (Class A, B, C or a combination of these) will not put out a lithium fire. Rather, it can increase the blaze. Class D extinguishers (metal/sand) are the only type capable of putting out flammable metal.

Second, remember to cycle the batteries in transmitters and airplanes to ensure they are up to par. Airplanes can go down because either the transmitter or the flight pack batteries have failed. If you should by chance get your airplane to respond long enough to land, do not taxi back toward the pits. Get it down and kill the engine. A running airplane with dying batteries is little more than a loaded gun waiting to go off and injure someone.

Most folks have a winter project that is now ready for a test flight. New airplanes mean new additions to the transmitter. Remember to always check to ensure it is the correct one for the airplane. Always look to see that the control surfaces are moving in the correct direction when you are ready to taxi out. Also, as a new project, make sure it has been finished with your name and address or AMA number.

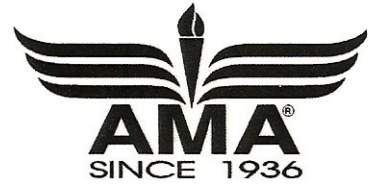
Lightning produced by electrical storms can travel amazing distances. If you are flying and should see lightning in the distance, just think of that radio antenna as a lightning rod. Lightning has been known to come 10-20 miles across the sky and strike a person just standing there—and that is without a 3-foot lightning rod in his or her hand.

Engine failure on takeoff is a common occurrence. Every time, when you taxi out, always think, "What am I going to do if the engine quits?" Remember that the best way to land is into the wind and with the wings level. If that means a walk out in the weeds a couple of hundred yards

to get your airplane in one piece, that's much better than taking a broom or shovel out to the middle of the runway to scoop up the pieces.

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Central Ohio Radio Kontrol Society

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Dear Central Ohio Radio Kontrol Society:

I received your application for the Club Recognition and Reward Program. AMA would like to take the opportunity to say thank you and congratulations on a job well done regarding the club's positive feedback for time donated to the children in Knox County for your Flight Aviation Day. It is kind organizations and people like you that make a difference.

As you can see, AMA has enclosed a check in the amount of \$100 for your efforts.

If you have any questions or concerns about this program, please contact me. I will be happy to assist.

Once again, great job and keep up the good work!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Erin Dobbs'.

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