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The Johnstown R/C Club

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2016 – Johnstown RC Clubs 54th Year

Join us online at: www.Johnstownrc.org

Upcoming Activities.....

Today!: Flying Season Starts! With Day Light Savings time we can fly in the evenings! Get your batteries charged!

Friday-Saturday, April 1-2: The Toledo Show. You could make it out for Friday and get back in time for our Annual Banquet!

Saturday, April 2nd: Annual Club Banquet, 6 pm at the Belmont United Methodist Church, 107 Coldren St. (about 1 mile from Geistown) Meet & Greet at 6 pm, meal will be served around 6:45 pm. Bring a plane for display! Make your reservations today!

Tuesday, April 5th: Regular Club meeting 7:30 pm, Richland Twp. Municipal Building. May meeting will start at 8:30 pm to allow flying prior to the meeting.

Saturday, April 23rd: Spring Work Day, 10 am until done!

May 6, 7, & 8: Annual Club Mall Show, all mall open hours, Galleria Mall, Rt. 219. Setup is from 7-9 pm on Thursday, May 5th. Bring several planes for display!

It's Banquet Time.....



One of the tables at the 2015 Banquet

Our annual club banquet is coming up in only two + weeks so send in your reservations right now! The menu this year will be Roast Beef, Pittsburgh Potatoes, Green Beans Almondine, rolls, and Banana Gob Cake for desert. The meal will catered by Country Delights who has served some wonderful meals the last two banquets. A form to send in your reservation is at the end of this newsletter. It's \$16 per adult which includes the tip and tax, plus great fellowship with your fellow RC modelers. Also, if you have completed a winter plane, bring it along for display. We will have a voting time to select the best new plane, a "ladies choice" award, plus other activities for you to enjoy. We always have a simulator setup to allow the youngsters to fly RC, and to show pictures from the past year. At the time this issue went to press we did not have a confirmed banquet speaker, but efforts are underway to obtain one. If you haven't been to one of our banquets yet, don't miss out! We always have a great time.



Club President Sam Kaplitz sets up one of the display tables above....and the voting time at the 2015 Banquet below.



Below, some of the prize winners at last years banquet.



Fred, Sam, and Bill pose for a pic!

Drones Still Big News...

As you can readily tell from the latest Tower Hobbies flyer....the first 14 pages is all about drones! Most of us can remember when there were no drones at all, and that was only a few years ago. Drones have really taken over the news, and they are all the buzz. We have all read stories and seen TV reports about them causing trouble at public events and sports venues. This whole development is what caused the FAA to get involved and for them to step on our RC hobby with the latest registration requirement.

Don't forget, we are all supposed to register with the FAA and get a new flight number to place on all our models, if we fly anything "radio controlled" that weighs over .55 pounds. (Which includes most of our models of course) The cost is only \$5 for all the models we own, and that is for a three year registration. Unfortunately the current way to register is online using a computer, email, and a credit card. Many of us have already done this but others have not. There are fines that can be given out for those who don't register, but I really don't know if the "drone registration police" are out and about. If you only fly at our field, you should be safe from the FAA, but you never know. Our AMA reps are still trying to get a "paper registration" system put into place, but that is not available at the moment. So, you can take your chances and not register, and probably get away with it.

Club Dues and Banquet Forms.....

We need to call in our banquet count on Friday, March 25th. Please return your banquet form today! Also, please take care of your 2016 dues if you have not already done so. Don't forget, you need to pay your AMA dues to fly at our field! See you at the field some evening soon!

Application for Membership in the Johnstown RC Club

Date Paid: _____ Check #: _____

Note: All club members must have a current AMA card to fly.

Name: _____

What Channel's do you use:

No & Street: _____

_____ / _____ / _____
Do you use 2.4 Mhz: Y N

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Date of Birth: ____ / ____ / ____

Phone No: _____ - _____ - _____

OK to receive your Newsletter

Email: _____

via Email: Y _____ N _____

AMA #: _____

Membership Catagories:

Spouse's first name: _____

Full-Open Member: \$55 _____

Non-Flying Member \$20 _____

Jr. Membership \$10 _____

Make checks payable to "Johnstown RC Club"

(Under age 19)

Send Application and Check To: Ken Shilling

109 Hoyt Street, Johnstown, PA 15904

Dues are for the calendar year

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Annual Club Banquet Reservation Form:

Saturday, April 2nd.

Belmont United Methodist Church

Punch & Visit, 6 pm - Dinner 6:45 pm

107 Coldren St. Johnstown, PA

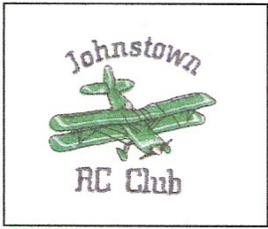
Menu: Roast Beef with Gravy, Pittsburgh Potatoes, Green Beans Almondine, Fresh Roll, and Banana Gob Cake for dessert. The meal will be catered by "Country Delights" from Davidsville, PA. The cutoff date for reservations is Friday, March 25th.

The cost is \$16 per person, \$8 for those 12 and under. We will have a nice program, awards, and a guest speaker to be announced. We will also have our traditional plane display, so get one of yours ready now! Send your name, and the names of any guests along with your check made out to "The Johnstown RC Club" Mail to our treasurer, Ken Shilling, 109 Hoyt Street, Johnstown, PA 15904.

NAME: _____ #Adults: _____ # Youth _____

Names of those attending: _____

_____ Total Enclosed: _____



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