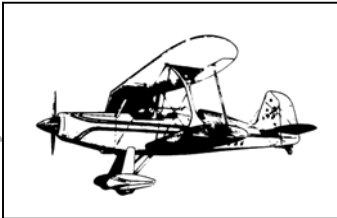


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# The Johnstown R/C Club

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Johnstown R/C Club's Forty-Seventh Year

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### June Club Meeting.....

The June club meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 2nd, at 8:30 pm. We will fly at the field before the meeting, weather permitting.

### April 25<sup>th</sup> Work Day.....

April 25<sup>th</sup> was the first really nice warm day of the season, and we had a great turnout for our planned field work day. As you can see in the picture below, we had almost 20 folks out to help set up the tent canopy and prepare our field for the flying season which is now upon us! We cut brush, filled holes, put up the tent, mowed, picked rocks, and got rid of the "shaky concrete plane stand". Everything is "ready" for our flying season and the monthly family picnics. Thanks to everyone who showed up to help out. Great job!!!

### Mall Show a Big Hit.....

The Club's Annual Mall Show was held on May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> and was a big success as usual. We had a good turnout of planes, at least 44 or so, lots of fun, and perhaps even picked up a couple of new club members. Additional pictures and text about the show can be found on later pages of the newsletter. The tickets were all sold by Sunday morning, and the annual raffle was won by none other than one of our own club members, Bill Majercsik. Congratulations Bill! Over 50 pictures taken at the mall show are on our website at [www.johnstownrc.org](http://www.johnstownrc.org) just click on the 2nd web-album "09MallShow" to view them.



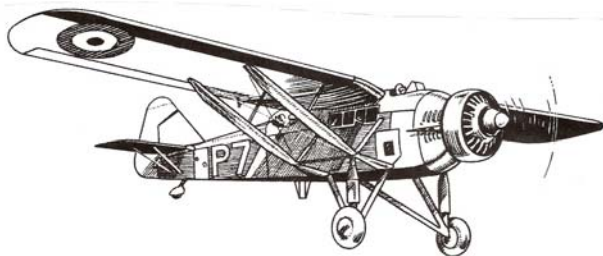
Bill, Ken, Nicole, Jim, Jim, Scott, Grant, Matt, Sam, Sam, Fred, Cliff, Roger, Bill, Cody, Gary, and Greg

## Work Day Highlights.....

The great turnout allowed many different tasks to go on at the same time, so lots of work got done and quickly too! We had several guys cutting brush as the tent went up, while holes were filled, grass mowed, etc. Nobody was brave enough to fly except Scott Holsopple, who flew his new electric powered glider on the very windy day. Everybody else “chickened out”. Here are a few more shots of our work day activities.



Above, Nicole shows us how Penn DOT handles things, hey, somebody had to supervise! We were a rowdy bunch that day and needed supervision!



In the above picture several club members put the finishing touches on the tent canopy. For more pictures, go to the official club website and click on the ” 09 Field Pics” link. ([www.johnstownrc.org](http://www.johnstownrc.org))

## April Family Picnic Review

On April 26<sup>th</sup> the club held its first “official” 2009 Family Picnic. The weather was great, 80 degrees, but a little windy, but beautiful weather compared to the last few weeks! Kenny tried out the new grill, and with everything else other folks brought, we had ourselves a wonderful picnic. One of the highlights of the day was Cody, his Dad, and Grandpa having their first flight on their new Tiger Trainer plane. (They used Pap’s plane just in case of an unexpected early crash). All three new members did a great job using the trainer box with Kenny and Sam doing the honors of training.



Sam giving Cody his first flight on the trainer box



Meanwhile, Cody's Dad and Grandpa were calm as a cucumber while watching Cody's first flight! Do you think they were really worried about Cody, or the plane crashing? One was biting his nails, the other praying! Everything turned out well however, with quite a few flights for all three novices, and not even a scratch on the plane with at least one dead-stick landing! It was a great first day of flying at the field in my book!



The above photo shows Jim Weyman at work, and he was there on both Saturday the 25<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday the 26<sup>th</sup> using his weed eater/saw cutter on those pesky saplings that ruin our wings from time to time during forced landings off the mowed area of our field! Thanks so much Jim!

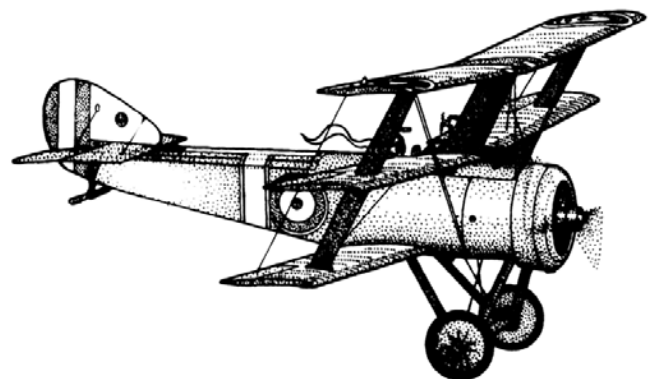


Greg showing a "thumbs up" after Cody's first flight. Cody's smile says it all!



Above is the lineup for the hotdogs and other picnic trimmings on Sunday afternoon, April 26<sup>th</sup>. We had a nice turnout and a wonderful day!

The meal was great with Kenny using his new and slightly larger grill. A fun time for everyone, and there were quite a few planes on the flightline all afternoon and evening. Jim Weyman was there again using his weed eater/saw to cut saplings for several hours! Thanks again Jim for your efforts to clear the obstacles from the fringe areas of the field!



## May Family Picnic.....

May's family picnic is scheduled for Sunday afternoon, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 4pm That is the Sunday after the Memorial Day weekend.

## Annual Mall Show was a BIG Success.....

Again this year, club members came through with over 44 planes on display at the Galleria Mall. Even though we had to setup in the Bon Ton courtyard, instead of Center Court, the display was awesome, and attracted lots of passers by.



Above is a picture of the Friday morning turnout. Shown from left to right, Fred, Herb, Frank, Caleb, Neil, and Bill. Seated, are Paul and Grant. During the weekend we had 6-10 members present almost all the time. Thanks also to Matt Tedrow and Roger Luther for having their laptops set up with simulators for club members, as well as visitors to try their skills during the weekend.

At the top of the next column is a picture taken from the escalator going up to the upper level of the Galleria. Lots of mall walkers and shoppers walked around to view the plane display. Matt Tedrow also had a couple of his small helies at the show and he demonstrated his expertise flying them for mall visitors in the open area in front of our display area several times during the weekend. Everybody was enjoying the show!



The Mall Show from the Escalator



Above is another view of the show from the back, showing most of the planes on display.

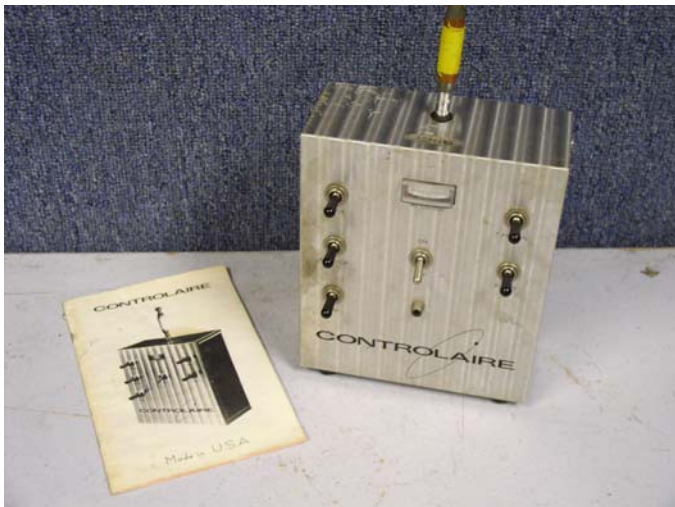


Here is a group photo of the club members present on Saturday morning at the Galleria Mall. Back row, Caleb, Ken, Scott, Mark, Paul, Kenny, and Roger. Seated, Bill, Fred, Sam, Gary, and Grant. Thanks to everyone who brought planes, sold tickets, and helped to man the display during the weekend.

## May Meeting Recap.....

The May Club meeting was held on Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> and there were 20 members present. President Sam reported on the Mall Show's success, plus he reviewed the field work day accomplishments. The May Family Picnic will be held on the last Sunday of May, the 31<sup>st</sup>. Throughout the summer we will hold the family picnics on the last Sunday of each month. He also reported that club member Bill Majercsik won the drawing and will take the \$200 prize money. Sam also reviewed the AMA field rules, which is an annual requirement for each club. Our Club is invited to attend the Indiana Flyers Club's Open House Fly-In, which will be held on June 7<sup>th</sup>. We are welcome to drop in anytime throughout the day from 9am until dusk.

For "Show & Tell" Herb Ewald brought in an 1960's era RC controller, complete with the instruction manual. It was a "Controlaire" multi-channel simultaneous transmitter, Model MTT-IDA which was "State of the Art" technology in the 60's. Herb used it in his Tri-Pacer for his one and only flight with that plane. He reported that he waited for Paul Yuhas to come out to the field to help him fly, but took it up anyway himself and crashed it rather quickly on the short first flight. He has saved it to this day for this show and tell!



Here is a picture of the "Controlaire" radio controller complete with the instruction manual. Instead of the proportional radios of today, they used "blip" toggle control switches to control the plane surfaces. This is quite a step back in time and technology from today's equipment.

Matt Tedrow also showed off a used Goldberg "Eaglet 50" trainer type plane he recently obtained at a flea market. Got the whole thing, motor and servos included for \$45, not too bad! About 11 members visited Pappy's for pizza after the meeting and had a great time swapping RC stories.

It was also discussed about what to do with club members who have not paid their 2009 dues yet, and we will insert a reminder letter into this newsletter to give them another chance to renew their club membership for this year.

## Upcoming Events.....

- May Family Picnic.....Sunday May 31<sup>st</sup>
- June Family Picnic.....Sunday June 28<sup>th</sup>
- July Family Picnic.....Sunday July 26<sup>th</sup>
- August Family Picnic.....Sunday August 30<sup>th</sup>
- September Family Picnic.....Sunday Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>

## Fly-In's:

- Indiana Flyers Club.....June 7<sup>th</sup> Open House
- Mulligan Hill Fly-In.....Sunday July 11<sup>th</sup>
- Mulligan Hill Field.....Sunday July 19<sup>th</sup>

(This is the day of the Saddle Club Horse Show and our field will be closed that day)

