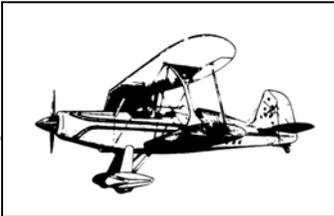


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MALL SHOW.....

The clubs annual Mall Show will be held on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, May 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. Bring your planes for display out on Thursday night, April 30th between 7 and 9pm. We want this show to be our best! We need you to participate and to help out manning the booth at the mall. Remember, Johnstown Galleria Mall. See ya!

MAY CLUB MEETING.....

May's regular club meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 5th, 8:30 pm. If the weather is nice we will fly first! Hope to see you there!

BANQUET WAS GREAT !

The clubs annual banquet was a great success with 47 folks attending the event held again at the Windber American Legion. There were quite a few planes brought in for display, and Caleb Butler took home the blue ribbon for the best in show! Caleb always does nice work, but this time he out did himself with his WW I era "Gypsy Moth".



The folks were greeted with a wonderful display of planes of all types, and of course Paul's famous punch! Everybody was searching for the one with

the real "stuff" in it! During the "meet and greet" time prior to the start of the dinner everyone had a great time visiting, watching the simulator on the screen, and viewing the planes. Our speaker was Byron "Barney" Custer who is employed by L. Robert Kimble Engineering of Ebensburg. Barney is their chief pilot and shared with us his love of flying for 35+ years. He still gives flying lessons on small single engine aircraft, but regularly flies a Citation business jet too! It was interesting to hear some of his stories about how he felt he wasn't ever going to get back to the Johnstown airport when in a small plane going "only" a hundred miles an hour! (after flying at 550 mph in the Citation I guess)



Above is a picture of our speaker Barney Custer and Herb Ewald, who made the arrangements for his visit to the club. The meal was very nice, and well served. Roger Luther showed the crowd pictures from our website www.johnstownrc.org which included a summary of last years activities at our flying field, plus some from the In Door Fly In which took place in January. President Sam Kaplitz presented a number of recognition awards including one to Matt Tedrow for his helicopter exploits, and treasurer Ken Shilling for his long years of service to the club, as well as one to Paul, Ken, and Scott for their dedicated work as club instructors.



**Ken Reese, Paul Yuhas, and Scott Holsopple
Being Recognized for their Instructor Status**

Between the meal and our program, the folks toured the planes on display and voted for “best of show” and the “ladies choice” award. They really liked Travis Miller’s “flashy” newly built plane, and therefore he easily won the “pink ribbon”!



A good time was had by all that attended, and if you missed this one, it was your loss! Everybody is gearing up for the next big club event which is the Annual Mall Show held at the Galleria, just off Rt. 219. Hope you can come to this great event!

Phillip Yuhas really enjoyed playing with the G-3.5 Simulator again this year, and was really trying hard to fly “through the barn”. I’m not sure if he ever made it, but he gave it a good effort!

Below are a few pictures of those present....



Club member Bob Anderson with his “date”



Bill and “Satch” Rosage



Fred and Cathy Rohde



Herb and Judy Ewald Enjoyed the Banquet too!



Phillip Yuhas really had a ball trying to fly that darn plane through the barn door! We think he's an up and coming RC Flyer! To view more of the pictures from the 2009 Club Banquet, go to our website www.johnstownrc.org and click on the 09 Banquet web-album link.

April Flying Fun.....

Well, the nice flying weather we have been waiting for is here! Quite a few members have been out to the field in the last few weeks! Sunday, April 5th was particularly nice, a sunny and calm day and around 70 degrees! Well, we had a nice turnout at the field, and Ken Reese surprised us all by bringing out the grill and cooking hotdogs for us. Even though there were only about 8 folks present, we enjoyed the first "Ball Park" franks of the year!



Sunday, April 5th, Fred, Cliff, Eric and Son, Caleb, Kenny, and Rick, with Roger kneeling



You just had to be there to really enjoy them!

April Meeting Recap.....

April's club meeting was held on a very cold and snowy night on Tuesday, April 7th. Some might call it the "onion snow" and welcome it, but I call it "Nuts"! I'm ready for spring! The weather caused the attendance to be a little weak with only 15 members present, but we had 3 guests who signed up to be new club members! The meeting was a little shorter than usual since both the Secretary and Treasurer were absent due to the inclement weather, so our President had to dispense with those reports. Sam reviewed the recently held Club Banquet and deemed it a real success with almost 50 members and guests present for the annual event.

During the "show and tell" portion of the meeting Caleb showed off his newly built German Messerschmitt, a plane flown in the mid-1930's.

The plane is from an Earl Stall design, who just might have been Johnstown's most famous airplane modeler.



Caleb Butler with his 1930's Messerschmitt

One of our newest members, Alex Reasinger showed off his newly built, and self designed electric plane he hopes to sell as a kit. It's laser cut balsa fits together really tight. Flight tests are planned during the coming month!



Alex Reasinger's laser cut small electric.

We were pleased to welcome in to the club a three generation trio. Cody, Greg, and Gary Selders were at the meeting and all joined our club together, making it a family venture. They are friends of club member Bill Majercsik, who has been working with them on the simulator. The three visited our field last Sunday to watch our hobby in action.



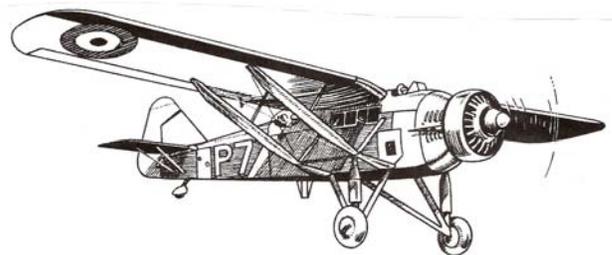
Newest club members Gary, Cody, & Greg Selders

We welcome these new members to the Johnstown RC Club and if you see them at the field give them a warm welcome!

The club has planned a work day at the field scheduled for 9am on Saturday, April 25th, and the first monthly "Family Picnic" is planned for the next day, Sunday, the 26th. We hope you can make it out to both events.

Ken Reese reported that the ticket sales for the raffle at the Mall Show seem to be going OK compared to previous years, but we hope than you have picked up a packet of tickets and sell all that you have! This is our only club fund raiser of the year, so we need everyone's help on this project!

Don't forget to get a few of your nicest planes ready and looking spiffy for the Mall show, which is only a week or so away! We hope to see you at the Mall on Thursday night, April 30th around 7pm to help with setup!



MORE BANQUET PICTURES.....



Cliff Majersik



Grant and Judy Moore

Kenny and his Pitts Special



Roger and his T-34 Mentor



Caleb, Neil, and Bob



Rick and His Cavalear