



THE KNIGHT FLYER



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2012

Mall Show Heralds New Season

When the Mall Show comes, can spring be far behind? All winter, modelers have been working in their basements, (or on the dining room tables), crafting the latest the hobby has to offer, or perhaps their dream plane.

The winter projects have been completed and everyone is eager to show off their work.



Patrons look over Mall Display

The mall provides an excellent venue for this activity. Approximately forty planes, from classics, warplanes and civilian aircraft, represented nearly every aspect of aviation.

And the variation in size was just as far ranging. Small span planes that are used for indoor flying all the way up to a giant scale C-130 “Hercules” military transport plane were set out for display.

This year we located in the same area in the center of the mall that we used last year.

Being situated in the center of the mall, this area has the advantage of lots of traffic.

And throughout the day on Friday, Saturday and Sunday hundreds of people were able to see the great array of models on display.

The knights were there to explain the hobby and answer questions that many have about the models.

During the day, Herb Paas, Darrell Yerkovitch, Chuck Schummer, George Fox, Jim Pravel and other club members cut out flying gliders and gave them out to the children who passed by.

Approximately 150 models were tossed around the mall by excited children.

This exposure may ignite a spark that one day will inspire young people with a love for aviation.

For our club this is a great opportunity for public relations.

Maintaining a good image in the community is very important.

The Mall Show and our Scale Rally provide opportunities to show people what we do.

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The Annual Chinese Auction

Have you ever looked for that extra set of 2 inch wheels that you thought you had. Or maybe the extra servo arm to replace the broken one. How about some 9 inch 7 pitch props?

Well, you could just find that unusual item lurking on one of the tables at the Chinese Auction hosted by the Knight's each year.

Our Chinese auction took place following the meeting of Feb. 3rd.

True to form, both the insignificant and the highly unusual model plane parts showed up on the tables.

The pace was brisk. Members hastily stuffed the cups arrayed in front of the desired items..

The auction was quite successful all the winners went home happy with their new found parts and gadgets.

Donors were relieved that they



Bob Waldraf, Chuck Schummer & Butch Green pick the lucky winners

were able to make progress on that endless chore of clearing their basements of the stuff they no longer wanted or needed.

The proceeds of this event are used to cover the cost of improvements at the North Collins Field.

Club By-Laws Due for Change

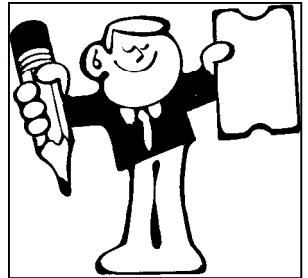
There will be some changes to our club by-laws this year.

The by-laws have not been updated in many years. Some of the items that these by-laws addressed are no longer current.

In order to facilitate this process, (especially so that members do not have to listen to an endless stream of chatter verging on the legalese), we have posted all of the proposed changes on our website.

Simply go to our website: www.theflyingknights.com/resources to view them.

Everyone should have a copy of the by-laws. they are presented to all new members when they join the club.



However, as with most important papers time takes its toll or the papers come down with the "dog ate my homework" syndrome.

Over the next month or two, all members should look over the proposed changes so that everyone can have their input heard.

All changes will be voted on at an upcoming meeting.



**From the
President's
Desk.....**

It is hard to believe the outdoor flying season is upon us.

Time to get your planes ready!

It is imperative that everyone take a close look at the preventative maintenance of your aircraft.

Things such as linkage (w/ safety tubing), ensuring all control surfaces are working properly, and don't forget to charge the batteries.

If you have any questions regarding your aircraft, please contact a member of our training team, Bill Hauth, George Fox, and Orville Chatwood, for assistance.

Excellent job by everyone on the mall Show! As always, the general public votes on the aircraft and this year's winner is John Newman, (B-17).

Orv Chatwood, (C-130) took second and Bob Rodgers, (ME-109) came in third.

Also, please remember that our team organizational chart is available on our web site for your review.

If you are interested in volunteering to help out, please contact the appropriate team leader. The next major event is the Scale Rally, please volunteer and make Bill Hauth's job easy.

Please keep May 5, 2012 open.

This will be our annual spring clean-up at the NC field, with hotdogs and beverages to follow. Please feel free to bring a dish to pass

I look forward to flying with all of you this year. Let's have FUN! If anyone needs to contact me, please call or e-mail as necessary.

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By-laws to be voted on

On May 27th, the new changes to the by-laws will be voted on.

All member should have familiarized themselves with these changes. For those with computer access, the by-laws and the respective changes are posted on our website.

The by-laws govern how our club is run, so all members should become involved in any changes.

Mall Contest Winners

**First place winner:
John Newman
“B-17”**



Orv Chatwood “C-130”



Bob Rodgers “ME – 109”

Summer Activities

**RCCR
Fun Fly
2012**
Sat-Sun Jun 23, 24
Northhampton Park
Brockport, NY

**Canandaigua
Sky Chiefs 2nd Annual
Fun Fly 2012**
Sat-Sun, June 9th & 10th
Gehan Rd. Canandaigua, NY

Knight’s Club Picnic
Jun 10 th
North Collins Field

Batavia Fun-Fly
Sat-Sun, June 5, 6
6684 Randall Rd.
LeRoy ,NY



North Collins Field Clean-up
May 5th 10 A.M.
Hot Dogs and Pop

Cancellations

Note: There will be no open house at the Hamburg Airport this year.

Note: The picnic at NC Field scheduled for May 13 has been cancelled . Hot dogs and Pop will be provided at the annual Field clean-up day on Sat. May 5th

Receipt please...

Several years ago, the club switched over from postal delivery to Internet email in order to communicate with our members.

It used to cost \$20 every month or so to send out cards.

It also cost about the same for our newsletters. This was a yearly tab of about \$380.

The cost of mail has nearly doubled since then and it would now cost over \$600 to do our routine mailings.

With email, nearly all of this expenditure is eliminated.

Meeting cards, newsletters and member special notices are bulk mail.

When our bulk mailings are sent out, there is usually a request for a reply.



It takes the form of a "read receipt" that pops up on the screen.

This is only done for mailings that go out to the entire club.

A read receipt is not normally used for individual emails.

It is similar to using a "First Class stamp". It tells us whether the mail was delivered or not.

So when you see the message on your screen, "would you like to send a receipt", please click Yes.

These responses are tallied so that we know how effective the mailings are.

Regular mail is, of course maintained for those who do not have email.

Rally Raffle



This beautiful Pilatus Porter will be raffled at our 30th annual Scale Rally in August.

The winner also has a choice of \$200 in lieu of the plane.

KNIGHT'S SWAP SHEET

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If you have something for sale, or looking for that special something, put your request in "The Swap Sheet". Free to all club members.

Disclaimer: This feature is presented as a service to the members of our club. All transactions are between the buyer and the seller only. Neither the Knights, its officers nor any entities will be held accountable for any dispute. Do not call Knights or Editor to execute sales.

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Schedule

Fri. 4/6, 4/27,
5/18, 6/8, 6/29
St. James Church 7:30
New members 6:30

Board Meeting

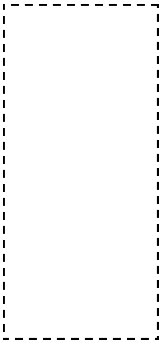
Tues. 4/3, 4/24,
5/15, 6/5, 6/26
7:30 pm
Pegasus

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President: Jim Ehrig III
Vice Pres: Chuck Caruana
Secretary: Greg Stromecki
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