



## **Rally Rolls to Roaring Record**

As several of our guests left the Nike Field, they commented that it was one of the most enjoyable events they had attended.

There can be no better praise than that.

And, truly, this years rally, was an outstanding experience.

It would not have been so, without the tireless effort put forth by the members of our club.

A lot of hard work went into running the rally, from the guys who sweated over the propane grills to the individuals who manned the parking entrance.

Our food tent crew worked steadily, often without a break for hours.

Trina & Nick Scaglione, Sara Chamberlain and others ran food from the grills to the customers at a steady pace.

From the guys selling raffle tickets, cooking corn, working the flight lines to those impounding transmitters, manning booths and announcing the action, it was a cooperative effort and every club member should be proud of his or her individual contribution.

For those interested in the stats, 90 lbs of hot dogs, 60 lbs of hamburgers and 150 lbs of salt potatoes were sold. We went through 25 cases of pop.

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### Special Feature Inside:

A summer in pictures

On our center spread in this issue, we would like to share some of the images from our picnics of 2005.

## **Auction Action**

Once again, the venue for our annual auction was the church hall on Union Rd.

Les Hanks, Jim Landis and Jim Pravel held down the entry table.



**I have 22. Who'll give me 23.**

Prominently displayed as you walked in the door, was our P-40 Flying Tiger that will be raffled off at our next Scale Rally.

Numerous airframes were available. A beautiful yellow cub, several Extras and even an old Sig Cadet.

A number of them came complete with radio and engine, ready to fly.

A number of the airframes were unfinished or partially finished needing only to be covered. Quite a selection for someone looking for a plane to get in the air without too much build time.

Always quite interesting are the plain unmarked boxes that contain a wealth of unknown goodies.

Usually there is one item in the mix that is particularly on your "need" list rather than the "want" list..

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## Rally-continued from P-1

Our kit and plane raffles took in \$1152.00, a new record, thanks to our "Salesman of the Year", Don Doman.

We were blessed with two days of absolutely superb flying weather, thanks to the "Great Pilot" above.

Sixty six registered guests took full advantage of every moment

Saturday was a bright and sunny day with little or no wind.

Once again, the famous runaway lawn mower leaped off the runway as it trimmed the grass.

Regular flying was suspended for several special events. John Battershell demonstrated pattern flying.

A four engine B-17 rose into the air show skies bringing back somber memories for those old enough to have lived through the second world war.

This unique model sported on board glow plug controllers on all engines which enabled them to run reliably.

During the afternoon, spectators were permitted to walk through the flight line taking pictures and talking with the pilots.



**George & Stu at the grills**

When the Saturday show ended, all of our guests were treated to a complimentary dinner.

Sunday morning came with continued beautiful weather. All day, at least four planes filled the air.



**Spectators examine air show planes**

Mark Chamberlain, Gerry Piscatello and Jim Devlin provided color commentary throughout both days, describing air show action for the steady stream of spectators.

Even long time announcer Les Hanks put in an appearance.

Over 2 days, more than 115 airplanes had flown.

This was the first year that the show ended at 3 pm. This early out was well received.

Many pilots who came from a distance appreciated getting an early start on their way home.

Three pm came. The last planes landed.

Raffle prizes were awarded.

Good byes were said.

RV's lumbered out of the parking lot.

Quiet descended on the field as the 2005

Scale Rally came to a close..

## ... from the president

I want to congratulate and thank all of the members, their wives and especially the kids. Petrina, Nick, Sara and the ones who I didn't get their names. They worked very hard both days without a complaint. Their parents must be proud.

This years scale rally was the 2nd best in earnings and it was made possible by your efforts.

Thanks again,

Ron

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But the question, -what to do with all of the rest of the stuff in the box. And is it really worth getting all that other stuff just to get the one item. and suppose someone else wants it too and bids the price up.

Oh boy, the challenge of the dreaded bidding war.

Showing up this year were several Park Flyers, complete with engine and batteries. And here and there a flying wing or two.

Wow, and look at that box of balsa wood. What builder could pass that up. Frequency flags, boxes of paint, jugs of fuel. There is something of a mystery about big boxes of stuff.

The potential buyers swarmed over the array of items as soon as the doors opened at 11 am, making notes to guide them in their bidding.

But probably, the best part was the opportunity to have a conversation with fellow modelers from the other clubs who came in to buy and sell.

It was great to run into people that you hadn't seen in several years, to renew old friendships and make new ones..

It was a brisk pace, with many fine items passing under the gavel.



**Pizza anyone? Coffee, donuts...**

Prices seemed to be modest and in line with the value of most of the items.

Our smiling kitchen crew composed of Sara and Debbie Chamberlain, and Megan Partaczs dispensed pizza and donuts along with pop and coffee.

They were joined later by Gail and Trina Scaglione.

Ron Wojcik was spotted hovering about the kitchen, but it turned out that he was only eating his way through the goodies. And what about all of the left overs. Well, wouldn't you know it.

They ended up on the auction block, triggering yet another brisk bidding war.

# Christmas Party



**December 16,2005  
Vote for Officers**

**Nominations for officers will be taken at the meeting of November 11th.  
Please consider our voting process seriously.  
There are benefits as well as duties.  
Several offices, including president will be available.**

# SCENES FROM SUMMER



The flight line starts to crowd up.

## 2005

This has been one of the best summers on record. Many said it was too hot or too dry or something else. Everyone will have to admit that it was certainly conducive to flying model airplanes.

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Appetizers anyone?



Scout tries hand at flying.



Planes have to eat, too.

Our picnics turned out to be great, drawing a record number of members and their families out to the club field in North Collins.



Ron's cooking, a big hit.



The best part of the day.

It seems that nearly every day was bright and sunny and the winds were calm and forgiving.

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Nick Scaglione at the controls.

**Sunny July**



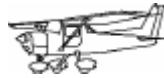
**Bob Squarepants?**



**Conference time.**



**Won't 4 o'clock ever get here?**



**Casual moment.**



**A very windy day.**

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**Between flights**



**No guts, no air medals!**



**When you can't fly, you talk.**

## "Oops" from Okinawa

In our last issue, we described Dave Kobie II's new Thunderbolt. We have been following this story for you and present this current update.

An email arrived as follows:

*"I turned downwind and lost control due to stiff winds and not enough throttle to push me down wind. As a result, the nose dive was quite spectacular for all participants though I was hoping to hang onto this one for a bit longer.."*

Apparently, Dave took part in a fun fly on a rather windy day. It is sad to hear of the loss of any of our planes. We have all been there.



**Dave II looks over the damage.**

However, Dave takes the high road and states, "No worries for it gives me time to choose my next project".



### Rally Winners

The Spitfire kit donated by Great Planes was won by Stan Szczublewski (left) of Lake View, NY.

Dave Graham (right) of Hamburg, NY, (with daughter) won the P-51 kit.



# More SCENES of SUMMER

More August



**Grounded by the wind.**



**Maybe you'd like to wear it!**

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**Crowded Flight Line**



**Just can't get enough of this stuff.**



**Great weather.**

**Mild winds.**

**Super Flying.**



**To fly or not to fly, that is the question.**



**Can't pass up this great weather.**



**Wings are for wimps**