

# September 2014 PRESIDENT'S CORNER Bill Towne



Hi everyone from Denver, Colorado. Tomorrow Barbara and I start our journey back to Virginia after being gone for a month on a 7000 mile road trip to visit kids and grand kids in Colorado and Arcata, California. We were able to visit the Louisville Slugger Factory and Museum on the way and had planned to visit the Combat Air Museum in Topeka, KS but it was not open for our time slot. We did get to visit the Wings Over the Rockies Air and Space Museum in Denver and walk around underneath a B-52, but the timing was wrong for the rescheduled SCTA speed trials on the Bonneville Salt Flats. (As we went by, I did get the Mercedes up to 120 mph before Barbara woke up!) However we did get to go to the War Birds Over the Rockies RC Air Show today (see picture) hosted by the Arvada Colorado RC Club. They put on a good show with scale and giant scale war birds from WWI, WWII, and present day jet fighters, including a giant scale twin jet A-10 like Kahn's.

October is going to be a busy month for us with our Fall Float Fly on October 4th and the Culpeper Air Fest on October 11th. We will have a make-up Fun Fly on October 19th since we had to cancel the May 4th event, and we will be putting on a RC demonstration and Static display for the Boy Scouts during their Camporee at the Flying Circus in Bealeton on October 25th. I'll be getting in touch with you all for volunteer help as always.

A minor issue came up over the Labor Day weekend. One of our new members was flying and was asked to stop so that the Captain's (Don Rhynald's) grandkid's could ride their motorcycles on the field. Their guardian claimed it was the only place to ride on the property so our member did the right thing and packed up and left but was wondering what the rules were. I checked with Nic who has our current contract and it states that the FARM club has the exclusive rights to Fly RC model airplanes 365 days a year 10:00 a.m. to dusk, but we don't have exclusive rights over any other activity on the field. Obviously we have to give the right of way to full scale air craft, but we also have to respect the use of the field by the Captain and his family. If they want to ride an ATV across the field to go fishing, we have to let them and be careful with our aircraft and not fly over their heads. For the most part these interruptions have not severely hampered our flying. So we must remember to respect the Captain's property and always act in a courteous manner, which was done in this case.

That is it for now. Hope to see you all at the field when we return.

Bill Towne

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# EDITOR'S NOTES Jeff Killen

### **Upcoming Events:**

- 1. Monthly Club Meeting, at the Warrenton Community Center, 7:00 PM, 9/23/2014
- 2. Float Fly #2, at Lake Ritchie, 9 AM, 10/4/2014
- 3. Culpepper Air Fest, Culpepper airport, 8 AM 3 PM, 10/11/2014
- 4. Crockett Park Children's Festival, at Crockett Park, 11 AM 4 PM, 10/11/2014
- 5. Fun Fly, at the field, 1:30 PM, 10/19/2014

# SECRETARY'S REPORT Jeff Killen

### **August Club Meeting**

The meeting was held at the field. Six regular members were present along with five board members.

#### **Officer Reports**

President: - Bill Towne was absent for the meeting, so Duane Beck ran the meeting.

Treasurer: We now have \$5345 in the bank, and are looking good financially; Nic estimates a surplus of about \$630 for the year. The Float Fly is coming, and it is usually a money maker for us. We now have 105 members. A few Prince William club members have joined us. We have now received all items they are giving us.

Nic noted that on 9/13, there is a pig roast at Mr. Rhynalds, with many guests/full size planes expected. Be careful when near these planes! This is also the day for the event over at the CMB field.

Secretary: Financials will not be included in the newsletter; see an email each month from Nic for this data.

Field Marshal: No report.

Safety Officer/At Large: Lawn mower casualty / bumped.

#### **Old Business**

Fun Fly Report from Vince Tabacco:

1.	Vince	Tabacco	2:04
2.	Charles	Britton	2:33
3.	Charlie	Koustenis	2:48
4.	John	Bisaga	3:21
5.	Nic	Burhans	4:36

Fun Fly was a timed event where pilots had to taxi back and forth across lines a couple times before taking off, doing loop, roll right and left, Stall turn, Immelman, 3 touch and runs, a landing with stop and dice roll to stop the clock. Dice were multiplied to subtract from total time. Penalties were assessed for flip-overs during the race before reaching the last landing.

Float Fly support for 10/4 is set.

CMB pattern contest event on 9/13 will be attended by Hobby Hangar folks. 25 flyers are expected.

Scout Event at the Flying Circus on 10/25 needs at least 6 members to support it. There will be a flying display for models from 12 noon -1 PM, with no buddy boxes. We also want 3 folks to man a static display. (See the write up in this newsletter.)

#### **New Business**

We discussed the "sign in" process when arriving at the field. If you put your FARM in the board, that is sufficient. If you have a current FARM card, then your AMA is also up to date.

We discussed moving mowing operations to Saturday morning (from Friday mornings). We have tried this in the past, but it did not work. Mowing starts no earlier than 0930. We will not change this now, as we have mowing scheduled thru 9/26 this year. We can try to make the change in the spring of 2015.

The FARM sign on the driveway at the field needs to be fixed. Charlie K. will do this.

We have lots of items under the shelter now, due to new items received from the Prince William club. Charlie K. agreed to try some drawings, to get a better distribution of the items.

#### **Show and Tell**

Charlie Koustenis – Tell – Visit the Air Force museum in Dayton, Ohio. Allow two days; its that big, and excellent.

Charlie Koustenis – Tell – Fly Eagle Jets (Chinese) are not safe, and have been banned from all jet events in the state of Florida. Air frames are failing in flight.

Charlie Koustenis – Tell – IMAA is gone.

Ron Coen – Tell – Carstens Publications has shut down the Flying Models magazine.

Duane Beck – Tell – Comments are due by 9/25 on the proposed ruling by the FAA. This affects all uses of models for profit, and could affect many uses which are currently OK. The quad copters are a large source of the problem causing this ruling.

Duane Beck – Show – Mug, showing his third place finish at the sportsman level in a CASA contest.

Doug Cash – Show – Helo TRX 500, a training helicopter. Orange/brown/yellow in color. Hovers OK.

#### 50/50

Duane Beck won the money. Nic Burhans won the fuel.

## BOY SCOUT CAMPOREE SUPPORT NEEDED

Fred Gay/Nic Burhans

- The FARM club will be supporting a Boy Scout Aviation Camporee in Bealeton on Saturday, 25 October 2014.

- It will be held at the Bealeton Flying Circus field close to our club flying site.
- The Scouts have requested RC aircraft for a static display and also flight demonstrations of RC aircraft.
- Our plan requires YOUR support to make this work as a great community project.
- The static display will run from 11:00 AM to 01:00 PM and the flight demonstrations from 12:00 to 01:00 PM on 25 October.
- Here are the areas NEEDING YOUR HELP:
- ---- One person to manage the overall event and narrate the flight events by providing basic info on the flight demonstration aircraft and RC control (there will be a PA system available).
- ---- One person to act as flight line boss and safety coordinator by queuing launch of aircraft during the demonstration and managing pit area operations.
- ----- Three members to operate the static display area by answering questions from visitors.
- ---- Eight to nine pilots to provide flight demonstrations of RC aircraft of 5-6 minutes each.
- We would like to have a variety of aircraft types: trainer, pattern, combat, glider, scale, helicopter, glow-gas-electric, for the flight demonstrations. Large aircraft are desired for audience visibility; however we can use all volunteers.
- The organizers expect approximately 300 Scouts plus parents and guests.
- ---- Scouts will be in bleachers behind a fence and we will conduct the flights from the Flying Circus field.
- Please contact Bill Towne (<a href="mailto:bbtowne@comcast.net">bbtowne@comcast.net</a>) and/or Fred Gay (<a href="mailto:fisgy@comcast.net">fisgy@comcast.net</a>) as soon as possible if you can support this event.
- ---- There will NOT be any buddy box flying. You can watch airshow while at the event.

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Ernie Padgett and Doug Cash correctly identified this plane as the Kawanishi H8K. BZ!