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## **President's Report**

Hello Club!

2017 had a great start on New Year's Day and I think we can all look forward to another excellent year of club activities and comradery. The New Year's Day fly-in had excellent weather and terrific activity both with club members, visitors and even the Press. We're looking forward to our first indoor fly-in on February 4th from noon to about 4pm. We'll be having a second indoor early in March so stand by for details.

Our new officers have already come up with some innovations and ideas including an FPV obstacle course to share space with the control line circle, a club bulletin board/forum, and ideas for our summertime weekly fly-in and grilling. Come to the meeting next week for details.

One of the things I've mentioned often is that I want our meetings to be more profitable for people and to make it more worthwhile and interesting to attend. As I look over previous newsletters, I know that everybody who takes over the job of club president wants to see more "Show and Tell" or other types of presentations at the meetings. I'm no different. So in that vein I'd like to ask the members to be thinking about how they can share their expertise during our meetings and I plan on asking people to do so. It takes a small amount of time to prepare something but it can help build the club and add value to our meetings.

I'd also like to mention that as far as club events, this is our club. We can have whatever events we want to have. Right now we only have a couple of indoors on the table. People need to let me know what they'd like to see and along with that be willing to help out.

See you at the meeting next Tuesday at Harbor House!

Happy Flying! Doug

#### More about the Bulletin Board/Forum

Fellow JCRC Club Members;

I wanted to take a moment to introduce the newly created JCRC Discussion Forum. http://flyjcrc.com/BBS/JCRCpBB This forum is an addition to our existing communication tools such as the Club Emails, Newsletter, www.flyjcrc.com Website and our Johnson City Radio Controllers Facebook page. The new forum will give club members and others with shared interest a convenient way to interact, communicate, and learn from one another.

I personally, am quite new to the use of forums and needed to research to better understand there benefits.

A Forum is another name for a message board and several other names used by the online world of users. I learned that it is a creative way of communicating and sharing knowledge. Having or running a forum can be a way to strengthen our clubs sense of community. It can provide a convenient means of sharing information where members can learn from one another. It encourages and allows for interaction via two way communication. Anyone can field a question and others can share answers. Forums allow for the exchange of ideas as well as a platform for debate and discussion.

Forums, from a communication point of view will allow our club members to interact with each other more easily. Club members will get to know other club members who have shared interest. Today, unless by coincidence we happen to be at the flying field at the same time; we may never get to meet or ever know other club members. I may have an interest in one aspect of the hobby or another and never know that there are many other club members with the same interest... as an example; if I were to be interested in aerial photography, I may not know that there are several club members that are also interested and experienced in this facet of the hobby.... This forum will allow me to see others who have the same interest as myself allowing me a means of introducing myself and communicating.

Forums from a learning aspect can be a place, as stated before, for an exchange of ideas. The forum will save these discussions for future users to reference so information and knowledge is not lost. The forum will allow us to get more educational information on our website. As an example; someone with a new project can document their progression through that project. They can post pictures, share build information, ask and answer questions where anyone can return often to follow the progression of the build or discussion topic.

As our Club fills the forum with discussion and information we will attract more traffic to our website, raise awareness of our club in our local community as well as the RC community at large.

Please visit and register for the forum. You will need to follow the secure registration process. This process will insure all users have been approved by an administrator to ensure a safe site preventing unwanted activity such as spammers. I look forward to seeing you on at the field and on the forum.

Roy "Eddie" Cline

## **Upcoming Club Events**

### **January**

31st: 6:45 pm - JCRC Monthly Meeting - Location: Harbor House Restaurant, Johnson City

### **February**

4th: 12:00 pm - JCRC Indoor R/C Fun-Fly Location: Kingsport Civic Auditorium. 1550 Fort Henry Dr, Kingsport, TN 37664

28th: 6:45 pm - JCRC Monthly Meeting - Location: Harbor House Restaurant, Johnson City

#### **Other Events**

#### March

3-4th - Southeastern Model Show Location: Georgia Nat'l Fairgrounds, Perry, GA (McGill Bldg).

# New Year's Day Fun Fly

























## **JCRC Classified Ads**



Cox Hobbies Sky Cruiser E-Power Glider RTF includes motor, controller, charger, receiver and battery, \$50, Olin Babb 423-246-2358

## **Next Meeting**

January 31st: 6:45 pm - JCRC Monthly Meeting - Location: Harbor House Restaurant, Johnson City

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