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Editor's Notes

April was a busy month. We finally have some nice weather for flying, and we had a beautiful day for the Spring Workday. Thanks for all the cooperation and good work that keeps our model airfield one of the nicest in the country.

The Chill & Grill actually started in May, but it is covered in this issue. Man, what a nice turnout and great way to start off the new flying season.

I got to visit with Vic and Phil and see their projects and workshops. I learned so much; more than I could cover in one issue. I really look forward to seeing them more and learning from them.

One of the things that make this hobby great is the wide availability of models to fit any skill level. A complete beginner can unbox a ready-to-fly airplane and have it in the air in just a few minutes, while those with the aptitude and desire can enjoy an infinite complexity of design and building opportunities.

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Next Meeting

Tuesday, 31 May 2022, 7:00 PM at the Airfield

Club Activities –

Chill & Grill – Tim writes: “Every Tuesday @6:00 pm – Rain or shine. Only lightning keeps us away.”



The first cookout of the summer brought a good crowd: Food, fellowship, and flying!

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Field Information - Spring Work Day! –

The Spring work day was a huge success. Many thanks for the planning and organization by Phil and the hard work and support of our members. We had a great turnout and all the work was completed in record time.

Several tables and the bleachers got a fresh coat of paint. Teresa Miracle brought some delicious banana pudding for our reward. Thank you Teresa!



Looks like Vic just fixed something, or is about to fix something. Man, that pudding was delicious...



Several tables and benches got much needed repairs.



A special thanks to Craig and all who helped repairing our wind indicator.



Members can view the weather at the field in real time by visiting the link to our JCRC website:
http://www.flyjcrc.com/index.php?fbclid=IwAR06RDAGooFgRhheLc-ayO28M-a-L35_DUEUCdPT1T3GDtrH5UvYrwZ9mhU



The timbers dividing the parking lot from the flight line were in terrible shape. New ones were installed and the old ones hauled away.



The washed out ground adjacent to the upper end of the runway was in bad shape. Glenn brought in his Kubota tractor and did a great job getting it back in shape. I was told many pilots have lost their landing gear here in the rough terrain. I do most of my crashing on the other end.



The tarps were removed and stored away until the weather turns cold again.



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Member Information –

Flight Instruction –

Contact Vic or one of the instructors below to schedule training.

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And if you are interested in learning to fly helicopters, contact our webmaster, Craig Quillen, at webmaster@flyjcrc.com. I've been messing around with helis since the 90s and never made any progress. Craig got my little Blade 230 straightened out and had me hovering without training gear in no time.



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On the Flight Line – Dave Burnette was at the field recently with a couple of nice planes.



I was so impressed with Dave's Timber, I've started building one as well.

Craig brought out his big heli and put on an amazing show. He flies so smoothly. It's a real treat to watch.



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Meeting Highlights-

The first meeting of the spring flying season was held at the airfield.

Electrical Committee report: Electrical work is complete. Thanks to all who worked to complete the task. A special thanks to our in-house electrician who did such a professional job providing outlets at every station.

Wind indicator repair: A special thanks to Craig and all who helped repairing our wind indicator.

Phil reported on work day: Thanks to all who participated. Everything was accomplished in only 3 hours. A special thanks to Glenn for supplying his tractor to repair the Southwest end of the runway area. Weed and feed for grass, tarp removal from our eating area, creation of extended parking spots, new rail ties and especially Teresa's banana pudding!

Old Business: Johnny Judd still needs volunteers to help with Fun Fly events. Please call or email if you can help.

New business: Chill and Grill begins May 3d. Also, the fan in our trainer airplanes building is seized up and needs replacing. No further solution was discussed at this time.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL MEMBERS: Terry Bailey moved, due to continued concern for the houses on the street behind our driveway entrance, that the original safety flying area created by a direct line drawn parallel to our runway fence extended from each end of our runway, be re-established to determine our flying area. Craig seconded the motion. A voice vote was called by David and the motion passed. All members need to pay special attention of the new change. There will be three boards showing the flying area placed so that all can understand the changes.

Glenn moved and Tim seconded we adjourn the meeting.

After the meeting Tim Edwards won the bid on a Miss Martha airplane and radio for \$100.00
Yay Tim!

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From the Workbench—

Senior Pattern

I got to visit with Vic and Phil and see their projects. Vic has completed his pattern plane and is currently fine tuning it at the field. Phil is well on the way with his, under Vic's expert tutelage. Not that Phil is a novice – he's been flying radio control airplanes for 10 years, and won his class in the Senior Pattern



competition last year. It's just that this is building from plans – a seldom practiced art within the hobby any more.

These days, with high quality ready-to-fly aircraft available, many folks have stopped scratch building, building from plans, or even building from kits. Vic explains that weight is the enemy when building an airplane. All will agree that a lighter airplane will fly better, given that the structure is strong. Building begins with selecting the wood and hardware; light, true, and strong. ARFs are very nice these days, but we have much less control

over the weight of the final project. They weigh, sand, and shape away all excess material. Vic says he wants to pass along his accumulated knowledge and skills so that we can have a large choice of planes and not be at the mercy of foreign suppliers. We can almost always find plans of our subject online, and very often, for free!



Weight is the enemy. How much of the fuselage can be sanded without compromising structure. The engineering problems and creative solutions are the mainstay and joy of scratch building.



I was very impressed with how well organized and clean their workshop areas are.
I've got a long way to go.

Share some pictures -
What's on your bench?

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Wing Tips—

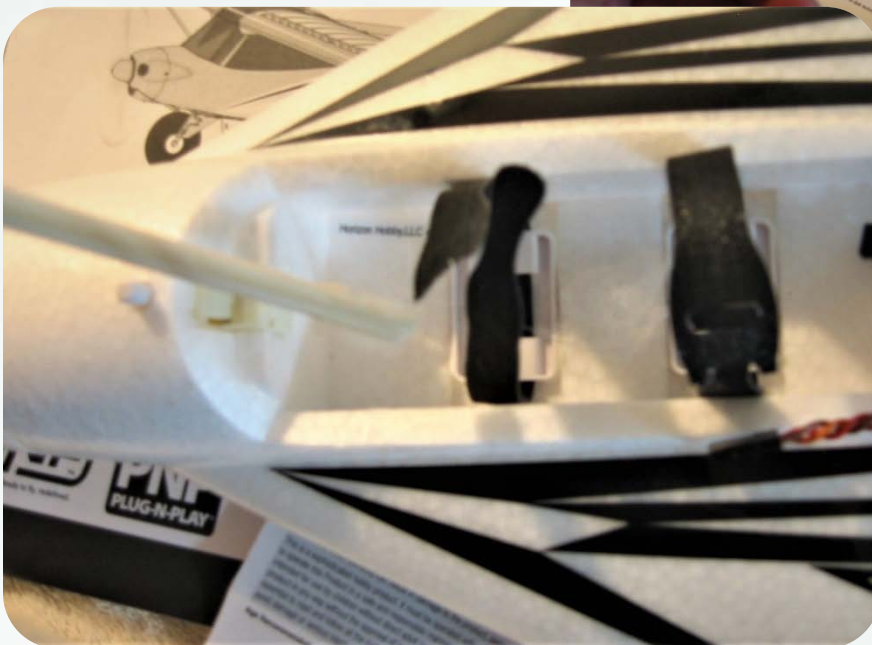
Velcro Battery Fasteners

How often do you read in the aircraft assembly instructions to stick Velcro on your battery and aircraft battery tray? Always. And how often do you get to the field and wrestle with said battery to remove it after flight??? Especially if you have to shove a battery far forward in the nose!

Vic saw me struggling with this one day and gave me this tip: RTV...I'm not sure what that stands for, but it's a clear liquid that comes out of the tube kind of thick and remains a little tacky after it cures. You've probably seen it sold as Shoe Goo, or Plumbers Goop, or just RTV. You can find it in any store, in the gadget or automotive section, or in the tape and calk section of Wal Mart or Lowe's.

Simply smear some on the floor of your battery tray and let it dry overnight. Sometimes you'll have to cut a piece of thin plywood to make a floor and screw it down. You still need to strap your battery down with a Velcro strap, but it will cling just enough to the floor to keep it from sliding around. This has made life so much easier.

Try it!



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For Sale-



Here is a new lower price on this complete simulator. G 3.5 with the Expansion Pack, Add-Ons 1 thru 5, and the Futaba USB controller:

\$50 for the bundle.

I have had this version installed on several Windows desk tops and laptops, running Windows 7 thru 10. If interested, drop me an email at: newsletter@flyjcrc.com

Let me know if you have something to sell.

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Upcoming Events- 2022

The members voted to make the 18 August Natl. Model Aviation Day event the Club Picnic and restrict it to members, their families and invited guests only. We still need an event manager to volunteer for the Halloween event and Glenn is working on confirming the event manager for the Learn to Fly event.

Please consider volunteering to be the Event Manager for one of the open events. The Event Manager is the key to a fun and successful event.

Volunteer at either the next meeting or send an email to events@flyjcrc.com.

JCRC 2022 Event Schedule

Event	Date	Event Manager	Location	Status
	<i>Club Sponsored</i>			
First Fly	1 Jan 2022	Skip Weller	Air Field	Completed
Indoor First Fly - Open to the Public	12 Feb 2022, Noon till 4 PM	Tim Edwards	KPT Auditorium	Completed
Indoor Second Fly Open to the Public	12 Mar 2022, Noon till 4 PM	Tim Edwards	KPT Auditorium	Completed
Spring Fun Fly and Swap Meet - Open to the Public	14 May 2022, 9 AM till 4 PM	Johnny Judd	Air Field	
Learn To Fly with JCRC - Open to the Public	30 July 2022, 10 AM till 4 PM		Air Field	
National Model Aviation Day and Club Picnic – Members and invited Guests Only Event	13 August 2022, 9 AM till 4 PM	Anthony Hall	Air Field	
Halloween Fun Fly - Open to the Public	29 October 2022, 10 AM till 4 PM		Air Field	
	<i>Non Club Event, Club Hosted</i>			
Third Annual East Tennessee SPA Competition – Public Spectators Welcome	September 10 & 11, 9 AM till 4 PM, Saturday & 9 AM till 1 PM on Sunday	Jerry Black and Vic Koenig	Airfield	

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Upcoming Activities at a Glance-

Spring Fun Fly and Swap Meet

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At the Airfield**

Learn To Fly with JCRC

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Halloween Fun Fly

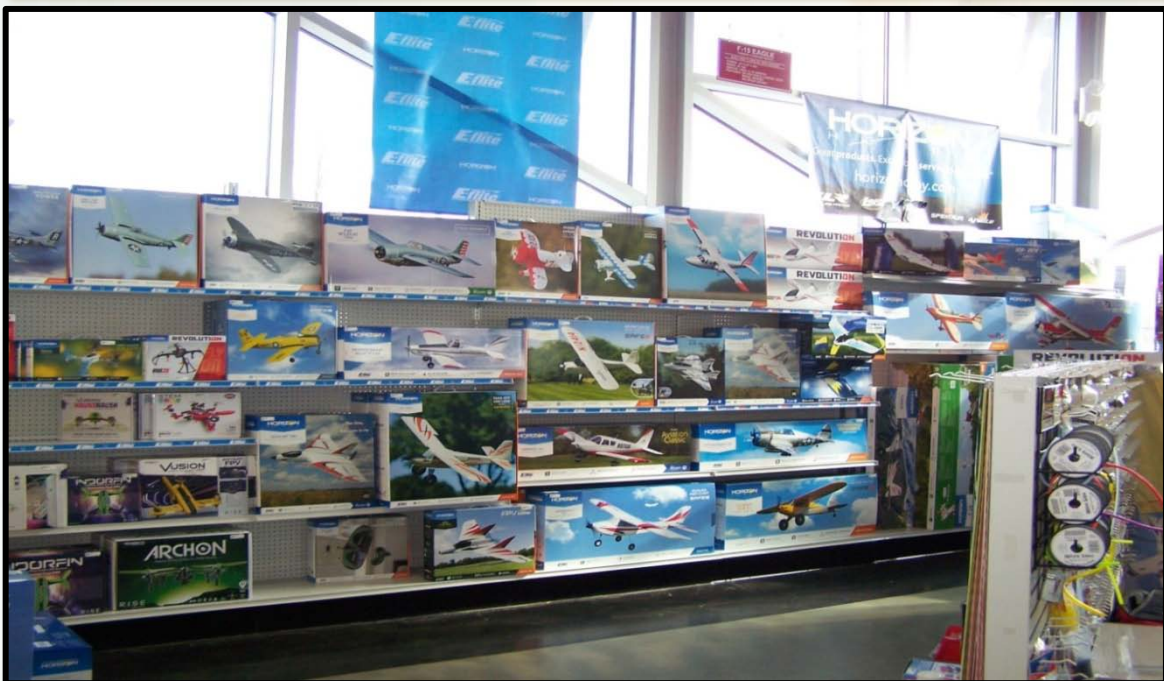
**29 October 2022, 10 AM till 4 PM
At the Airfield**

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Sponsors–

Hobby Town USA

Located at 3515 Bristol Highway in Johnson City, Hobby Town offers a full range of hobby needs, from model rail roading, to automotive modeling and aviation modeling. A strong sponsor of JCRC, they offer JCRC club members a 10% discount. Phone: (423) 610-1010.



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Fun-Fly

Swap Meet & Auction

Events & Schedule

14 May 2022 – 9am to 4pm

Gates Open: 9am

Swap Meet: 9am – 4pm

Silent Auction: 9am – 11am

High Speed Pass Limbo: 10am – 11am

Pass under the ribbon with power on without cutting the ribbon, knocking over the poles, crashing, or making contact with the ground while under the ribbon.

Live Charity Auction: 11am – 11:30am

Items for the live auction will be on display in the auction shelter.

Lunch: 11am – 3pm

A meal of Hamburgers and Hot Dogs will be available for a suggested donation of \$5.

Dead Stick Spot Landing: 12pm – 1pm

Cut the power on downwind and land as close as possible to a line or box drawn perpendicular to the runway centerline.