



PLANE TALK

PROP MASTERS R/C NEWSLETTER



AMA CHARTER CLUB #397

NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS

JULY, 2023

Hello fellow members! I do hope everyone had a good 4th of July celebration. Its been a rather hot month so far, but a backyard BBQ is always fun if you can find enough shade.

July is traditionally one of the better flying months. Seems like mornings and early evenings are the best time to avoid windy conditions, bright overhead sunlight in your field of view, and high temperatures. Take plenty of water with you and keep hydrated. The humidity has been a real burden so far this summer.

July also marks the beginning of swap meet season. Last week we attended one in Rockford, IL, at their airfield. I would encourage anyone who happens to be in that area to drive out to their field, which is in the middle of some beautiful farmland, and has some really nice facilities. A very friendly club too!

Coming up in August will be our annual competition with the barnstormers. We are planning a Bean Counter competition where each contestant starts with 10 beans in a Dixie cup fastened to the airplane, and with a prescribed takeoff, pattern, and landing. The club who averages the most beans in the cup after landing wins. Even if you don't plan to participate, come on out and join in on the fun. Food and beverages will be provided.

Lastly, familiarize yourself with the new additions to our first aid kits in the impound stand. We now have multiple kits available should you ever need first aid while at the field.

I would also like to remind you that our club encourages your participation in our meetings, events, and other functions. At the end of the year, you can use your participation points earned to bid on items at our Christmas Auction. This will be a very nice event this year, because of our good club financial position.

Look forward to seeing you!

Your President,

Michael D. Pfeifer





Financial Report

Bill Hickey



Financial Report June 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023

Description	Operating Fund	Field Fund	Total	Comments
Balance June 1, 2023	\$1,153.03	\$3,958.86	\$5,111.89	
Income:				
Dues	240.00	30.00	270.00	45 members YTD.
Total Income	240.00	30.00	270.00	
Total Cash Available	\$1,393.03	\$3,988.86	\$5,381.89	
Expenses:				
Field Maintenance	30.96		30.96	Sunscreen for field.
Board Expenses	25.00		25.00	Books for library.
Total Expenses	55.96	-	55.96	
Balance June 30, 2023	\$1,337.07	\$3,988.86	\$5,325.93	

Bill Hickey, Prop Masters Treasurer

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treasurer@propmastersrc.org

Attention Members – Its time to pay your dues

When paying your dues, please complete an updated membership form if any of your contact information has changed and either mail the form with your payment to me or turn it in with your payment at the meeting.

Checks should be made payable to Prop Masters R/C Aero Club and sent to the address shown above.

Alternatively, you can send the funds to my PayPal account treasurer@propmastersrc.org. Please send them as “Friends & Family” and include a short note with your name so we know whose dues are being paid.

Many thanks!



Meeting Minutes

Jeff Cowan



Meeting Minutes – June 27, 2023

Opening:

The meeting began at 7:30 PM at Community United Methodist Church, 20 N Central St, Naperville IL. 17 members in attendance. President Mick Pfeifer presided. The May 30 meeting minutes were approved as published in the June Newsletter. The June financial report was read and approved.

Committee Reports:

Safety	Mike Pettinger administered a popup safety quiz. Was a fun and informative review for all.
Forest Preserve	Tom Camp: No concerns. Storage bin approval is still in the works.
Publicity	Harlan Davis: Put another ad in the NextDoor app. Have received 4 responses so far. Better than last attempt.
Raffle	Harlan Davis: Described items included in the night's raffle.
Newsletter	Ray Luchetti: Doing well. Have received several articles and sets of photos from club members. Very helpful.
Website	Jeff Cowan: Described website addition of publicity for AMA In Action promotion related to recent request for members to make their voices heard in support of pending legislation, FAA Reauthorization Act of 2023.
Library	Bill Hickey: Club authorized addition of electronic copy of "Old Buzzard's Soaring Book", by Dave Thornburg.
Instruction	Tom Camp: We are out there! Same Tue/Thu schedule as last year. Mick led a discussion of ideas on how we might publicize (to the public) when instructors are/are not available at the field on training days. Nothing actionable at this time.
Fun Fly	Dan Nosek: Next scheduled fun fly is July 15. Will be Washer Drop event.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

- Bill Hickey: Led discussion about how to handle membership cards and name tags that members are not picking up at meetings. Was decided to just hold until someone requests them.

New Members & Guests:

None.

Society of Aircraft Demolishers (SAD):

Mick Pfeifer won a SAD patch with a failed flight of his Bird of Time glider. Upon release, went inverted and then straight into the ground.



Meeting Minutes

Jeff Cowan



Show and Tell:

Bill Hickey	Flying Boat, EP float plane, ARF by Flying Styro, red/white
Mick Pfeifer	GP glider, custom built, Cox .049 engine, white/red
Peter Fales	Stinson Reliant, EP plane, ARF by ParkZone, white/maroon
Dave Cairns	Ultra Stick 1.1m, EP plane, ARF by E-Flite, white/red/black
Tom Camp	receiver and gyro by Matek

Raffle:

Raffle presented by Harlan Davis. Included OS FS-61 engine, glow fuel, spinner, Deans connectors, Warplanes of the Luftwaffe book, and epoxy glue.

Closing:

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, July 25, 2023, 7:30 PM at Community United Methodist Church, 20 N Central St, Naperville IL.

Newsletter Contributions

Send newsletter contributions to the
Newsletter Editor at
editor@propmastersrc.org

**The deadline for submissions is the second
Tuesday of the month.**

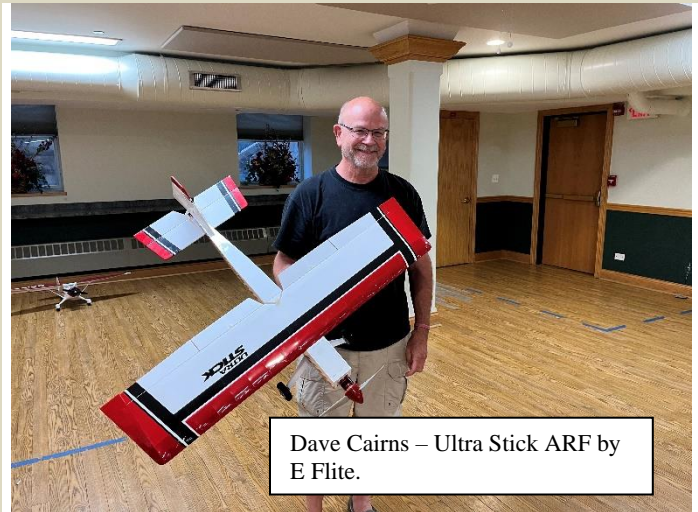


June 27th. Meeting Photos

Ray Luchetti



Tom Camp – Receiver & Gyro by Matek.



Dave Cairns – Ultra Stick ARF by E Flite.



Peter Fales – Stinson Reliant by Park Zone.



June 27th. Meeting Photos

Ray Luchetti



Mick Pfeifer – GP Glider with .049 engine.



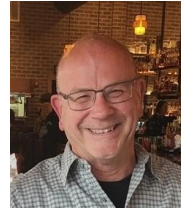
Bill Hickey – Flying Boat.

Prop Masters R/C



Shots at the Field

July 2023
Dave Cairns



Washer Drop Fun Fly Prep.



Bill Hickey's Gee Bee Senior Sportster.



Bill Hickey landing Gee Bee.



Shots at the Field

July 2023

Dave Cairns



Dave Engel's Spacewalker.



Dave Cairns landing among the washers on the runway.



Shots at the Field

July 2023

Dave Cairns



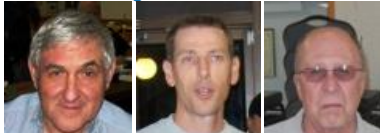
Dan Nosek's secret weapon used to win Expert Class in washer drop – a light and slow flying Ultra Stick.

Prop Masters

Aero Club



Fun Fly Committee



2023 Calendar

Date	Event Type	Event Details	Notes
January 31 st .	Monthly Meeting	Annual points auction at the meeting	Spend your points!
February 28 th .	Monthly Meeting		
March 28 th .	Monthly Meeting	Prop Masters Snag-A-Deal Auction	Time to get rid of your extra stuff and buy more!
April 25 th .	Monthly Meeting		
May 30 th .	Monthly Meeting		
June 3 rd . & 4 th .	Special Event	Clow International Airport Cavalcade of Planes.	
June 17 th .	Fun Fly	Climb & Glide.	
June 27 th .	Monthly Meeting		
July 15 th .	Fun Fly	Washer drop.	
July 25 th .	Monthly Meeting		
August 19 th .	Special Event	Contest with the Barnstormers, bean counter contest, August 19 th at our field.	
August 29 th .	Monthly Meeting		
September 16 th .	Fun Fly	Qualification Day.	
September 26 th .	Monthly Meeting		
October 21 st .	Fun Fly	Wiffle Ball Touch & Go.	
October 31 st .	Monthly Meeting		
November 18 th .	Fun Fly	Prop Masters 500.	
November 28 th .	Monthly Meeting		
December 26 th .	Monthly Meeting		

Cancelled Fun Fly Events will not be re-scheduled.



Prop Masters Organization & Contact Information

Board of Directors/Officers

Position	Name	Email address
President	Mick Pfeifer	president@propmastersrc.org
Vice President	Peter Fales	vice-president@propmastersrc.org
Treasurer	Bill Hickey	treasurer@propmastersrc.org
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Board/At Large	Ray Luchetti	board@propmastersrc.org
Board/At Large	Harlan Davis	board@propmastersrc.org

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Dan Nosek

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Harlan Davis, Chairman

Mick Pfeifer

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Tom Camp

Dave Engel

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815-439-1477

Walt's Hobby Shop
2207 Plainfield Road
Joliet, IL 60435
815-741-0043

HobbyTown USA - Orland
15551 South 94th Avenue
Orland Park, IL 60462
708-349-8697

Strictly R/C
7713 West Lawrence Avenue
Norridge, IL 60706
708-456-9100

HobbyTown USA – St. Charles
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St. Charles, IL 60174
630-587-1256

Next Meeting:

Next meeting Tuesday July 25th. at the United Methodist Church, 20 N Center St, Naperville IL, 60540, Fellowship Hall.