



PLANE TALK

PROP MASTERS R/C NEWSLETTER



AMA CHARTER CLUB #397

NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS

AUGUST 2023

Greetings to all of our club members, and welcome to good August flying weather!

Recently, there have been many good flying days with reasonable temperatures and very light winds. I think we can look forward to more of this after the current 3-day heat wave subsides.

The Annual Barnstormers event was cancelled due to lack of participants within the Barnstormers club. I do not know any more details, but if further information becomes available, I will share it at our upcoming August club meeting. In the past, they generally have about as many participants as our club does.

I am happy to report that there has been a recent spike of interest in flight training at the airfield, particularly in the last 4 weeks. This is one of the things we do that helps us not only maintain a good image with the public and the Forest Preserve, but also results in new club members that are hard to come by. We will be discussing this topic in our August meeting. I would like to add some new names to our flight training and instructor's roster, so if you have any desire to become an instructor, please let me or Tom Camp know. We could also use pre-flight instructors, and backup instructors.

We recently were bestowed with two truckloads of RC airplanes, tools, and other related equipment from a family in Countryside. A big THANK YOU to Randy Johnston for making this happen. We will store these things for our March 2024 Snag-A-Deal Auction. We have already accumulated more items than we had last year, so keep this in mind on your personal calendar.

Keep up the good participation by attending meetings, joining in fun flies, and other sponsored club events. Participation is the key to a healthy club, and it also generates POINTS!

See ya at the field

Your president

Michael D. Pfeifer





Financial Report

Bill Hickey



Financial Report July 1, 2023 to July 31, 2023

Description	Operating Fund	Field Fund	Total	Comments
Balance July 1, 2023	\$1,337.07	\$3,988.86	\$5,325.93	
Income:				
Total Income	-	-	-	
Total Cash Available	\$1,337.07	\$3,988.86	\$5,325.93	
Expenses:				
Field Maintenance	(30.96)	30.96	-	Sunscreen for field.
Club Buy	36.15		36.15	Hobby Shop Flyers (250)
Total Expenses	5.19	30.96	36.15	
Balance July 31, 2023	\$1,331.88	\$3,957.90	\$5,289.78	

Bill Hickey, Prop Masters Treasurer

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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 – July 25, 2023

Opening:

The meeting began at 7:30 PM at Community United Methodist Church, 20 N Central St, Naperville IL. 20 members in attendance. President Mick Pfeifer presided. The June 27 meeting minutes were approved as published in the July Newsletter. The July financial report was read and approved.

Committee Reports:

Safety	Mick Pfeifer: Provided update about 3 new first-aid kits in the top of the impound stand.
Forest Preserve	Tom Camp: Making formal request to get weeds mowed at ends of runway.
Publicity	Harlan Davis: Brochures have been updated and being distributed.
Raffle	Harlan Davis: Described items included in the night's raffle.
Newsletter	Ray Luchetti: Newsletter OK. Need to get back to publishing fun fly details in the newsletter, not just in Slack. Newsletter has a broader readership than does Slack.
Website	Jeff Cowan: All OK. Weather forecast at the field has been added at end of the Home and Training pages.
Library	Bill Hickey: Multiple new books have been ordered. Bill reviewed titles. Additional details will be published in Slack.
Instruction	Tom Camp and Mick Pfeifer: Arsh Saxena has successfully completed his solo flight test. Arsh was presented with his Solo certificate with his family present. Congratulations Arsh!
Fun Fly	Next fun fly scheduled August 19, Barnstormers/Bean Counter contest. Learning details from Barnstormers contact. Will communicate in Slack.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

- Suggestion was made to add a windsock at the edge of the weeds, south of runway center, so it could easily be seen by pilots without having to turn to look behind them. This was discussed. It was decided not to pursue it due to the hazard it would create in the traffic area.

New Members & Guests:

The club welcomed the family of Arsh Saxena. Arsh is one of our newest members and is now our newest pilot.



Meeting Minutes

Jeff Cowan



Society of Aircraft Demolishers (SAD):

Jeff Cowan lost control of his FourStar 40 practicing aerobatic maneuvers, destroying the plane. Made 2 mistakes at too low an altitude to recover. Should have aborted maneuver at 1st mistake. Peter Fales crashed a Wing type plane recently purchased at a swap meet on a maiden flight. Plane was uncontrollable at full/high power, something learned only too late. Jeff Cowan won the SAD patch for the month.

Show and Tell:

- Bill Hickey Stuka plane kit by Ziroli, gas powered, DLE 55, RAF Tropical color scheme.
- Tom Camp Jet plane RTF (unknown manufacturer), EP, orange/black/yellow. Swap meet purchase.
- Randy Johnston T28 plane BNF by E-Flite, EP, white/red. Swap meet purchase.
- Dave Cairns Low wing trainer plane ARF (unknown manufacturer), GP, OS 46, white/orange/red. Swap meet purchase.
- Dave Meyer Thunder Tiger XB50 helicopter (unknown manufacturer), GP, OS .50, yellow/white. Swap meet purchase 10 years ago.
- Joe Bartek Tissue covering demo using 3M Scotch White Repair glue.
- Bob Johnson Label maker by Brady.

Raffle:

Raffle presented by Harlan Davis. Included glow fuel, detail sander, Royal .25 glow engine, exhaust deflector, fuel pump, power panel, and glue.

Closing:

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, August 29, 2023, 7:30 PM at Community United Methodist Church, 20 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.**



July 25th. Meeting Photos

Ray Luchetti



Bill Hickey – Stuka built from a Zirolì kit.



Tom Camp – Swap meet jet purchase.



Randy Johnston – T28 BNF by E-Flite



Dave Cairns – Low wing trainer.



July 25th. Meeting Photos

Ray Luchetti



Dave Meyer – Thunder Tiger XB50 Heli.



Joe Bartek – Tissue covering demo.



Bob Johnson – Label Maker.



Shots at the Field

August 2023

Dave Cairns



Randy and Dave's planes wait for their next flights.



Bill's Turbulent with a unique 4 cylinder OS Pegasus engine.



Dennis at the starting bench.



Shots at the Field

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Dennis in the air..



Randy headed to the pilot's station for a flight.



Shots at the Field

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Dave Cairns



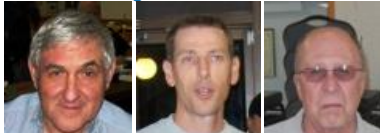
New member Arsh Saxena and family. Arsh was presented his Solo Certificate and now is our newest pilot.

Prop Masters

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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.	Cancelled
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

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Position	Name	Email address
President	Mick Pfeifer	president@propmastersrc.org
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Joliet, IL 60435
815-741-0043

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Orland Park, IL 60462
708-349-8697

Strictly R/C
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Norridge, IL 60706
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HobbyTown USA – St. Charles
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Next Meeting:

Next meeting Tuesday August 29th. at the United Methodist Church, 20 N Center St, Naperville IL, 60540, Fellowship Hall.