



# Blue Max Aces

*The monthly newsletter of Blue Max  
R/C Flying Club*

*Every Flight is a New Adventure!  
By Bruce Volocyk, President*



Excellent to see a lot of members out flying!  
Shout outs to Mike Anderson, Jeff Prill and Carl Wills for their work on both pit turf repair and lawn care. We appreciate you!!  
Reminder.....practice safety, safety, safety.  
Our July meeting will be outdoors at the field on Monday, July 15, at 7:00 p.m. Bring a lawn chair. If time is on your side, come early and get a few flights in.

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Bruce Volocyk

### Vice President

Al Valenzo

### Secretary

Open

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### Board of Directors

Chris Mays

Carl Will

Brian Sokol

Steve Gelman

### COMMITTEES

### Winter Banquet

Steve Gelman

### Field Marshal

Carl Will

### Flying Proficiency

Steve Gelman

### Fun Fly

Steve Gelman

### Noise

Open

### Picnic

Steve Gelman

### Programs

Open

### Safety

Chris Mays

### Noise



See you on the field!

### June 17, 2024 Meeting

The meeting was held outdoors at the Deer Grove Flying field.

### *Around the Hangar*

## **REPORTS**

**President:** The meeting was called to order by President, Bruce Volocyk, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**New Members & Guests:** Mike Leathers, new member, was present at the meeting. Mike is new to flying this year.

Bruce pointed out the patching of the turf in the pit area. It's coming along really well. Mike Anderson has been working diligently on this.

**Secretary:** Secretary still needed. Bruce will be recording the meeting tonight. The May meeting minutes were reviewed. No changes; minutes approved.

**Treasurer – Jim Kaufman:** Jim reported current balances. No major expenses were paid.

**Newsletter – Mike McTague:** Thanks to Mike for a nice job on the newsletter, who in turn, shared appreciation to Brian Sokol for his ongoing assistance. Mike shared that he attended a 3-1/2 day flight training course at Dave Scott's RC Flight School in Wisconsin. The course can be found online [rcflightschool.com](http://rcflightschool.com) in addition to training manuals, etc.

**Webmaster – Brian Sokol:** Nothing to report.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Picnic – Steve Gelman:** Date of the picnic is Sunday, August 18. We have the permit. We'll have an extra Fun Fly and also a picnic luncheon. Steve will solicit feedback on the type of



prizes the club can purchase. Donations for prizes also welcome. Bruce mentioned he has bought some items from CafePress to raffle off as well. Gift cards for the ladies of the club will be purchased.

**Field Marshal – Carl Will:** Working on patching of the pit. More mulch is needed. The fence by the parking area was fixed by the Forest Preserve.

### **Proficiency/Certifications – Steve Gelman**

**Club Skill Challenge/Fun Fly – Steve Gelman:** Steve encouraged the members to seek additional training, maybe try to reach for the intermediate level. He offered to help in learning some of the required maneuvers. The next Fun Fly will be June 23, Roll the Dice. Brian is helping outline the rules. Be sure to use the same plane as you used in the first Fun Fly. Same plane should be used throughout each Fun Fly; exception is a different plane can be used for the bomb drop.

**Safety – Chris Mays:** Chris reminded everyone that he sent out an email with more guidelines. Everyone acknowledged and agreed it was helpful. Carl mentioned that he experienced a life battery melt in his Mustang while charging the batteries. So, remember life batteries can melt and to never walk away while charging. A reminder that Heli pilots need to stand behind the fence.

**Crash Reports – Steve Gelman** – Nothing to report.

**Noise – Leo Hanula** - No report.

**Training- Carl Will:** Nothing to report.

**Old Business** – None

**New Business** – Steve Cerve expanded on an email he previously sent asking members to volunteer to fly on Thursday, June 20, at 5:00 p.m. to show off their flying skills and share information about RC Flying to folks from Northrop Grumman. Steve works at Northrop Grumman and in talking about his hobby, several co-workers expressed an interest in learning



more about it. Great opportunity to teach more people about the RC Flying sport and share info about the club with a larger community.

**Show & Tell** – Steve Beno brought his plane to show.

**Club Raffle** – Two raffles tonight.

**Adjournment** – all in favor; meeting was adjourned. July meeting will be at the field. Will confirm via email sent prior to the meeting.

## Upcoming Events

### Club Meeting

**Monday June 15th 7pm**

**At the Field weather permitting -confirming email to be sent out.**

### Indoor Flying

**"Come Fly Indoors With Us"      No summer session- More info before the fall session**

If you want to learn how to fly RC airplanes, or if you are a seasoned veteran and want to hone your skills during the winter months, this is a class for you. Our “classroom” is the field house where we fly small to medium sized, electric RC planes in any weather. Most of our students are “repeat attendees” and have become good friends who enjoy sharing their knowledge with newcomers. So, if you are just starting out and need some help, or if you are looking for a comfortable place to fly during the winter, join us for fun and fellowship.

Location:

Forest View Educational Center : Field House  
2121 S Goebbert Rd (Enter door 31 register)  
Arlington Heights, IL 60005  
(847) 718-7700

Mondays, Spring Session April - May Starts 4/1      Contact: Warren Bjork 847-975-9517  
3:30 - 6:30 PM

Price: \$ **89.00** (less with a gold card ie., District 214 resident)

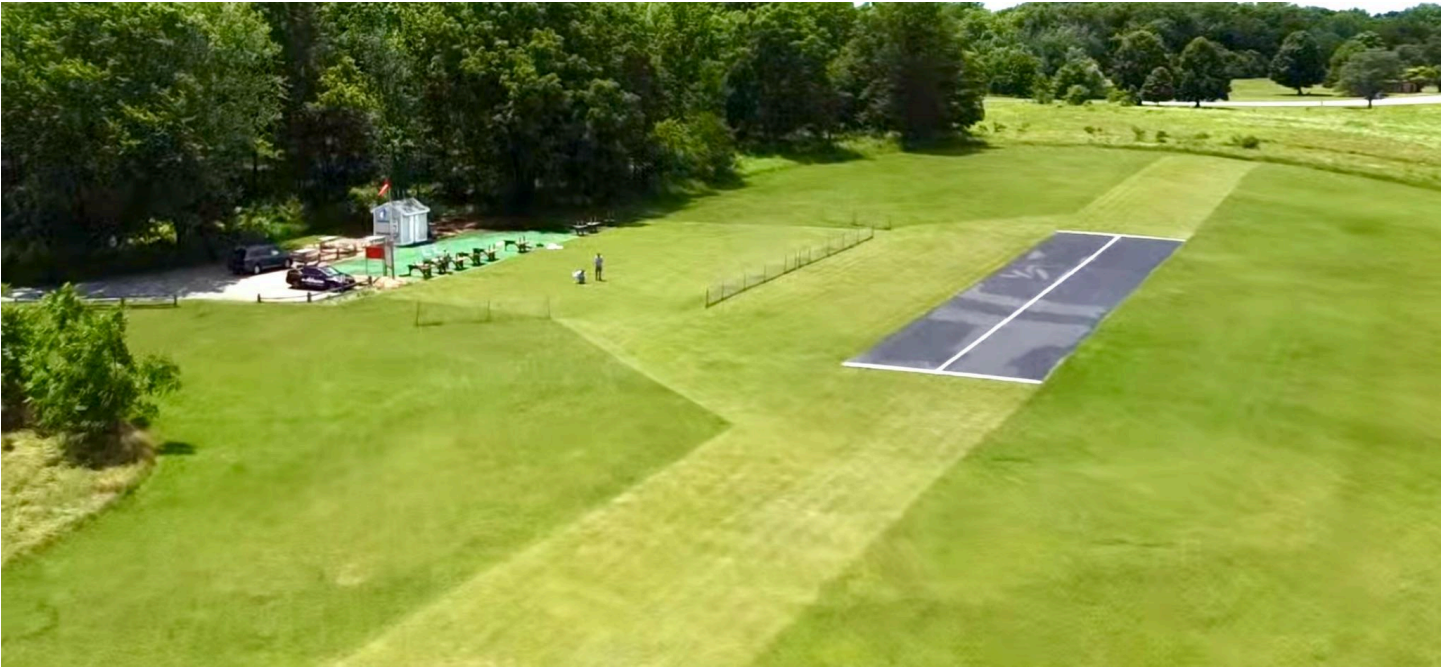
**Canlan Sportsplex** – 28156 W. Northpointe Parkway, Lake Barrington

Fridays 11am until 2pm. Cost is \$16 per session

For more info or directions call 847-382-3433



New Flag pole looks great!



Drone shot compliments to Brian and Anton Sokol. Field looks great! Thank You ground crew!



Congrats to Brian and Anton Sokol who passed their Sport pilot exam! Steve mentioned they did it despite 28 mph winds!



Tyler Recker with his P-51



Congrats to Adhrit Mahesh on his first flight! He would like to thank Bill, Austin and our Chief training pilot Carl.





Steve Beno's show n tell.