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It sure feels like fall is quickly turning into winter around here. Hope you all have been thinking about what to do for a winter project. At this rate I have 2 of them sitting on the shelf waiting to be put together. I might have to make skis instead of wheels for those two foam planes, so I'll be ready to maiden them. Just the other day we got 8" of snow and already a few nights below the freezing mark.



The lottery raffle tickets seem to be doing quite well thankfully. As of the last meeting it was estimated that with what was sold so far, we would have enough money from them to payout if someone hit each day of the month. That's awesome news to know that what we sell from this point on is all profit for the club

to use and offset the dues to cover expenses. One lady I sold some to said these are a great deal if you play the pick 3 everyday. They typically cost \$.50 for each day. That would cost you \$15 for the whole month. With our calendar it's a deal to play the whole month on only \$5. Don't forget at the December meeting bring the money, ticket stubs, and any unsold tickets.



I have a new toy in the lineup. Picked up a DJI Mavic Pro used from eBay. I got up to the field one day to take some photos and video. Wow it was windy on the ground, it measured 16mph with a handheld anemometer. At one point with the flight mode it was in the drone couldn't overcome the wind and was in one spot at the far end of the field. Thankfully I was high enough that with descending and giving full forward I could get down below the tree line to bring it back. After that I found out how to put it in sport mode which allows for much faster forward flight, Close to 40mph. It would be nice to get up there on a calm sunny day

to get some real nice photos of the field to share with everyone. That will be great for aerorama in the summer.

It has gotten much colder and I know a lot of us will be flying less. Now is a great time to check you LiPo batteries. Don't do what I did when I first starting flying. Let a few of my flight packs charged to long and they puffed up. Once that happens the performance of the pack goes down real fast. Do yourself a favor and your batteries a favor, make sure the are at storage charge. That for most of the LiPo packs is between 3.6 to 3.8 volts per cell. That way come spring time they will be ready for the next charge cycle and give lots of power.



For more details on the last meeting please have a read through of the meeting minutes that are along with this newsletter.

The next regular club meeting will be in the Tuscarora State Park Office at 7:00 pm on the 3th of December. There will be an officers meeting toward the end of November at La Dolce Casa to plan upcoming events and topics.

Hope everyone's projects are all going well, and everyone is doing as good. See you all later.

Respectfully,
Kyle Snyder
Club Secretary