



PLANE TALK

PROP MASTERS R/C NEWSLETTER



AMA CHARTER CLUB #397

NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS

JUNE 2024

Welcome to summer everyone! Seems like summer got here a bit early this year, with a week or so of temperatures in the 90's with high humidity which made flying conditions difficult, if not unsafe.

Speaking of safety, June is National Safety Month. Prop Masters has a sterling safety record throughout its existence, and one of our goals is to keep it that way! But how? Some basic keys to maintaining and even improving our safety record, are things like awareness, engagement, practicing and forming good safety habits, and especially, indoctrination of new members and visitors to our airfield. Safety in our hobby, and in our everyday life, comes first and is a priority. So just a final reminder to everyone, make sure all new members and guests are indoctrinated into our safety culture. It only takes a few minutes, this should be one of our safety habits!

Due to circumstances beyond our control, we did not participate in the Clow airport Cavalcade of Planes, held in early June. However, next year, we will make our plans early, and continue with our support to the Cavalcade.

There have been some conversations regarding our annual fun fly competition with the Barnstormers. Hopefully, it will be scheduled for later in the year.

That's it for now, so charge your batteries, and then charge out to the airfield. SAFELY !

Your President

Michael D. Pfeifer





Financial Report

Bill Hickey



Financial Report May 1, 2024 to May 31, 2024

Description	Operating Fund	Field Fund	Total	Comments
Balance May 1, 2024	\$1,522.36	\$3,569.54	\$5,091.90	
Income:				
Dues	-	80.00	80.00	44 paid members to-date.
Total Income	-	80.00	80.00	
Total Cash Available	\$1,522.36	\$3,649.54	\$5,171.90	
Expenses:				
Board Expenses	11.00		11.00	Illinois non-profit registration.
Total Expenses	11.00		11.00	
Balance May 31, 2024	\$1,511.36	\$3,649.54	\$5,160.90	

Bill Hickey, Prop Masters Treasurer

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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 – May 28, 2024

Opening:

The meeting began at 7:30 PM at Community United Methodist Church, 20 N Central St, Naperville IL. 16 members and 2 guests were in attendance. President Mick Pfeifer presided. The April 30 meeting minutes were approved as published in the May Newsletter. The May financial report was read and approved.

Committee Reports:

Safety	Mike Pettinger: Dave Cairns has agreed to backup Safety Officer Mike Pettinger at the field to increase the presence of club safety personnel there. Mike reminds us to always keep our flights on the south/runway side of the pilot stations/flight line. Bill Hickey: Discussed deliberate and unsafe public incursions on the field. How can we fly safely when the public refuses to follow forest preserve field use rules?
Forest Preserve	No report.
Publicity	No report.
Raffle	Dave Cairns: Described items included in the night's raffle. Dave will be assisting Harlan Davis with raffle going forward.
Newsletter	No report.
Website	Mike Pettinger: Still there. Jeff Cowan: Reviewed proper procedure for club personnel to reply to public inquiries received from our website.
Library	Bill Hickey: Nothing to report.
Instruction	Mick Pfeifer: Announced Pete Fales is now Chief Flight Instructor with administrative responsibility for club flight training. Pete Fales: Overviewed AMA program. Discussed expected coordination process and reviewed current list of club flight instructors. Contact Pete if interested in helping with flight training. More instructors needed.
Fun Fly	Jack MacPherson: No fun fly this month due to Cavalcade of Planes.

Old Business:

- Mick Pfeifer: Discussed challenges of participating in Cavalcade of Planes this year with so many of our regular participants out of commission. Decision made for Prop Masters RC to not participate this year, but return in earnest next year.

New Business:

None.

New Members & Guests:

The club welcomed guests Dennis Miendersma, Chris Hoekstra.



Meeting Minutes

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Society of Aircraft Demolishers (SAD):

SAD patch awarded to Jeff Cowan for putting his PA XR-61T plane into top of large tree off southeast corner of field. While inverted, Jeff thought this large plane was closer than what it was and failed to correct his altitude before he ran out of open sky.

Show and Tell:

Darrell Zeri Zeus 90mm EDF RTF plane by Motion RC, blue/white

Peter Fales The Beast, EP RTF plane by Horizon Hobby, black/red

Raffle:

Raffle presented by Dave Cairns. Included wooden props 10x6, crazy glue, tack cloths, power panel, Pfalz D3 Slowfly Airplane kit, Du-Bro 2.75 wheels (pair).

Closing:

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, June 25, 2024, 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.

Club Newsletters are posted at the club
website: www.propmastersrc.org.



May 28th. Meeting Photos

Ray Luchetti



Photos by Dave Cairns



Darrell Zeri – Zeus by Motion RC.



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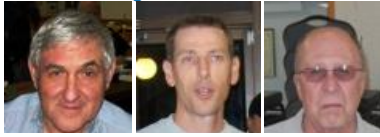
Peter Fales – The Beast by Horizon Hobby.

Prop Masters

R/C Aero Club



Fun Fly Committee



2024 Calendar

Date	Event Type	Event Details	Notes
January 1 st .	Special Event	Polar Bear Fun Fly	
January 30 th .	Monthly Meeting	Annual Christmas/Points Auction.	
February 3 rd .	Special Event	Pop-up Fun Fly	
February 27 th	Monthly Meeting		
March 19 th .	Special Event	Snag-A-Deal Auction	
March 26 th .	Monthly Meeting		
April 30 th .	Monthly Meeting		
May 4 th .	Special Event	Timed flight Fun Fly	
May 28 th .	Monthly Meeting		
June 1st & 2nd	Special Event	Clow Cavalcade of Flight	Participation cancelled.
June 25 th .	Monthly Meeting		

Prop Masters R/C



Prop Masters Organization & Contact Information

Board of Directors/Officers

Position	Name	Email address
President	Mick Pfeifer	president@propmastersrc.org
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Next Meeting:

Next meeting Tuesday June 25th 7:30 PM at the United Methodist Church, 20 N Center St, Naperville IL, 60540, Fellowship Hall.