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SAC Club Dates For June

- **SAC Club Meeting June 9th 7:30 PM at the Tinley Park VFW, 172nd & Oak Park Ave., Tinley Park, IL.**
- **Dope Can Articles Deadline June 20.**
- **Dope Can Newsletter Published on June 25th.**
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May 2011 Club Meeting Minutes By: Sam Helmich, Secretary

Suburban Aero Club of Chicago (SAC) Minutes of General Monthly Meeting, May 12th, 2011 Held at the VFW club in Tinley Park, IL.

Sam Helmich, Secretary.

Meeting called to order at: 7:34pm, by President Ron Wegrzyn. There were 42 members present. No new members, One visitor that joined SAC Jack Gildroy.

Reports by Committees or Officers:

Secretary Minutes: By Sam Helmich. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Robert Detrick, and second by Tim Agee. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: By Dale Thome: A motion to accept the treasures report as read was made by Pat Habel, and second by Bob Haas. Motion Carried.

Safety Officers: Planes By Ken Hallberg. Nothing to report.

Heli By Bob Stroz – Has put together great information on electric components as a hand out.

Field: Some raking and seeding was done by several members. Thanks to Bob VanHuis Chuck Fritz, Keith

Kline, and Mike Laurin. A discussion on a heli's flying on the north side of the field where the planes are designated to fly. While SAC try's to separate the planes from the heli's with designated areas, there is little we can do to enforce this, as it is CCFPD field.

Past Events: May 6th Float fly good turn out.

Future Events: SAC Memorial Day Float Fly on May 28th, food will be served. June 3rd SAC Float Fly, June 5th .SAC PICNIC, June 8th is the CCFPD annual down town Chicago event at the DAILY PLAZA, SAC will participate, June 9th SAC meeting, June 12th Gentle Jungle swap meet.

Now a word from the President...

Ron Wegrzyn
Your Friendly Undertaker



From the President

From The Pres.

The new field is really looking good. We've done some reseeding and the rain at night and sunny days has really helped. As our Field Marshall, Bob Van Huis has really been working hard to get the place looking good. The grass is growing and as of 5/20 the field has been mowed twice by the Forest Preserve.

Our first SAC Float Fly was rained out but the second one really drew a crowd. I'm looking for good weather tomorrow (5/20) and hoping for good weather on May 28th. We will continue to have these Float Flys the First and Third Fridays of each month through Sept, Come on out, you'll have some fun.

Vern Leets will CD the Memorial Day Float Fly on May 28th and the info is in the Dope Can. Bring

out the family and let them watch the boats and air planes. We will need some help at the Memorial Day Float Fly so come on out. The June Float Flys will be on the 3rd and 17th. This is also a lot of fun.

June is also a very busy month. In June look for, the SAC picnic on the 5th. This will be our first picnic at the new field and are hoping to have a good turn out. Please sign up NOW. I must have a good count by May 30th. so please call me and sign up. We'll

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From the President (continued from page 1)

NEXT MEETING June 9th 7:30 AT THE TINLEY PARK VFW

have the food catered again from Polonia Banquet South. Remember we call it a picnic but we're serving dinner type food. Fried Chicken and Italian Beef, as well as salad and a veggie. The food is very **GOOD**. The cost will be \$10.00 per person.

Some people have asked for more events. We need more CDs to run these events. It's not hard to become a CD. I will help you with the paper work. It's not difficult. You just do it and learn as you go. The more you do it the easier it becomes. Use AMA Form 303. See the CD article in the DC.

Until next month,
Remember fly SAFE, use an airplane holder.

Ron (your friendly undertaker)

(continued) minutes of May 12, 2011 meeting.

Unfinished Business: Nothing

New Business: Nominations for VP - Mike Sula nominated Pete Dennis, was second by Bob Stroz, George Kuehn moved that nominations for VP be closed, was seconded by Dan Pesek, motion carried. For treasure, Tim Agee Nominated Dale Thome, was second by Chris Baker,, motion to close by Bob Stroz, was second by George Kuehn, motion carried. For VP safety for plane, Frank Trupes Jr. nominated Greg Stevens (aka Mustang Boy), Joe the Cop second, George Kuehn moved to close nominations, was second Ken Hallberg. Motion carried.

George Kuehn moved to recreate the Grand Goony Bird award, Mike Sula second. Motion passed. George will be in charge of the presentation. Ed Bojan from DuBro will be at our June meeting.

Next month we will vote for the officers and the Life Membership for Evan Roberts.

Gooney Bird: None

Show and Tell: Lots of stuff shown.

Meeting Adjourned at: 9:15pm



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SAC LIFE MEMBERSHIP

At the April meeting Bob Seymour made a motion to honor **Evan Roberts** with a SAC LIFE MEMBERSHIP. This is an honor and very well deserved. Evan was one of the SAC founding fathers back with names like Carl Goldberg well known airplane designer. He was one of the ones that engineered the location of our old field, wrote the by-laws and gave many hours of work to help SAC to be the club it is today. They flew off sod farms and a couple other not so great locations until they got the one that was at Flossmoor and Central. Evan was always willing to offer rides in his Stearman PT 17 Biplane as a prize at our annual auctions. I've flown with him many times as has "Lil Louie" and many others. Evan is well deserving of this honor. This announcement was published in the MAY Dope Can the ballot is below. The votes will be counted at the June meeting. Please remember to vote.

SEE PAGE 3 FOR THE BALLOT. ALL MEMBERS MUST VOTE!!!

Charley's Corner will be back at the JUNE meeting

Charley's Corner did well last month... Anyone having anything they want to get rid of please donate it to Charley's Corner. There will be some new stuff as well as some left over stuff so come on over to Charley's Corner and check it out! Remember anything that is sold in Charley's Corner goes to SAC. This way we can build up a little reserve if we need to do something at the new field.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP VOTE FOR EVAN ROBERTS

THE ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP IS REQUIRED TO VOTE FOR A HONORARY LIFE GRADE MEMBERSHIP

WE NEED **EVERYONE** TO VOTE.

PLEASE VOTE YES OR NO AND THEN EITHER MAIL THE BALLOT TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OR BRING YOUR BALLOT TO THE JUNE MEETING. MARK YOUR CHOICE WITH AN "X"

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Ron Wegrzyn
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Sam Helmich
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YES

NO

MEMBER NAME (PLEASE PRINT): _____

JUNE DU-BRO PROGRAM

At the June 9th meeting, Ed Bojan from **DU-BRO** will come to make a short presentation on some new and future **DU-BRO** products. Ed has been with **DU-BRO** for a long time and is always at the G & G open house in Griffith and is a regular at the Toledo Show. He is one of the rubber band flyers out at our field every so often. Ed has been flying model airplanes for a long time and was more than receptive to come and give us a little presentation. So mark your calendar for the SAC June 9th meeting

NOTE NEW FIELD LOCATION ON CICERO, SOUTH OF FLOSSMOOR

South Suburban Hospital

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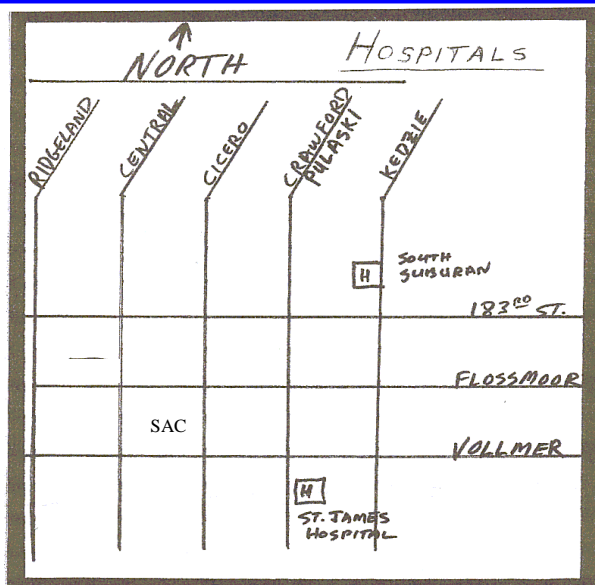
St. James Hospital

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Note:

When Calling 911—Give the location as **FLYING Field on Cicero between flossmoor and Vollmer Roads**



SAFETY

USE THE PIN BOX

We are all not using the Pin Box properly. Please remember when you take your Frequency Pin PUT your AMA or SAC membership card in the slot. That way anyone wanting that pin knows who to ask for it and also when you take it HOME we know where it is! There are Spread Spectrum pins in the box also. So use the pins the way they are supposed to be used so when you go to another field you'll remember to get the PIN.



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Li-Po Safety

Charging of Lithium-Polymer batteries

Most people would be aware of Lithium-Polymer batteries and the increased freedom they have given to those flyers inclined towards electric flight. The batteries are smaller and lighter than their equivalent counterpart and have a lower internal resistance giving the ability to draw a much greater number of amps. A quick search on the web will reveal many fellow flyers touting the benefits of Li-Po batteries.

However, as with all things good, there is always a downside (who came up with that law?). In this case it is not so much as a downside but rather some important safety items to keep in mind.

Li-Po's possess different characteristics to other re-chargeable batteries and as such they should be handled in their own way. The major point to note is recharging. Li-Po's require a very different charge method than other types of batteries, therefore it is **imperative** that a charger specifically designed as a Li-Po charger be used. Use of other chargers can result in a fire. Some Li-Po chargers also have a manual setting for the battery cell count, if yours does then you must make sure that it is set correctly before you attempt to charge your Li-Po and do not charge the battery packs in series, charge each one individually.

The attached photos, taken locally, show what can happen if Li-Po's are charged incorrectly.

It is always a good idea not to leave charging Li-Po's unattended. If you notice the batteries start to balloon or swell discontinue the charging process immediately and keep an eye on the battery in a safe place for at least 15 mins. Leaking chemicals can react with the air and cause a fire. For some added safety use a fire container, like a steel bucket, containing a layer of sand and place the charging Li-Po on the sand. If you notice ballooning or any other unusual behaviour you can carry the whole unit outside without causing any damage to property.

If you follow basic safety practices and charge your Li-Po's correctly then they will provide you with all the fun of great flying and extra power that Li-Po's are capable of delivering. But remember to always read the safety information contained with your batteries and charger. **(See Photos on Page 9)** Great flying.....Electric Bob

JUNE 2011 SAC Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Th	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 SAC Float Fly	4
5 ANNUAL SAC PICNIC	6	7	8 Daley Plaza	9 SAC Meeting	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17 SAC Float fly	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

GENTLE JUNGLE SEMI-ANNUAL TAILGATE SWAP MEET SUNDAY JUNE 12, 2011

8am to 1pm AT THE
GENTLE JUNGLE **BIRD** and **HOBBY** SUPER STORE
3819 W. 127th Street

No Vendor charge for Club Members

Sell from your trunk, tailgate or van, or bring your own table!

No cancellation – in event of rain – we will move inside.

**During this swap meet all store purchases over
\$200.00 will be 20% off**

CASH ONLY.

JUNE RAFFLE THUNDER TIGER 1/7 Sea Fury ARF

This is the radio controlled, glow powered, almost ready to fly, 1/7 scale Sea Fury Unlimited Pylon Racer from Thunder Tiger. FEATURES: Fiberglass fuselage with balsa and light plywood wings. Two piece wings with FRP joiner tube and flap option. Painted fiberglass Cowl. Mechanical retracts with steer able tail wheel. Engine Mount: Two-piece aluminum and a polished aluminum 4" spinner.

REQUIRES: Radio: 5-8 channel Servos: Seven standard size, six high torque for control surfaces, one standard torque for throttle and one retract servo. Engine: .91 cu in (14.7cc)



SAC GRAND GOONEY TO RETURN

George Kuehn wants to reinvent the SAC Grand Gooney so we told him to have at it. We'll see who gets the award at the Banquet in February 2012.

2011 SAC EVENTS

We are still looking for event dates for this year. If you want to run something please jump in there.

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 Sun. 12pm to 3pm

May

May 28th, 2011, Float Fly Memorial Day Week-end, CD Vern

June

June 3rd, SAC Float Fly
June 5th, SAC Annual Picnic
June 8th, Daley Plaza Downtown Chicago
SAC Meeting 9th
June 17^h, SAC Float Fly

July

July 1st, SAC Float Fly
SAC Meeting 14th
July 15^h, SAC Float Fly
July 17th, CUB FLY-IN
July 31st SAC Military Day, Frank

August

August 5th, SAC Float Fly
SAC Meeting 11th
August 19th, SAC Float Fly

September

Sept. 3rd, Labor Day Float Fly AMA #11-1080
SAC Meeting 8^h
Sept. 16^h, Last SAC Float Fly of 2011

October

SAC Meeting 13th
Auction 27^h, Ron

November

Nov. 6^h, Turkey Shoot,
SAC Meeting 10th

December

SAC Meeting 8th

May 2011 Show & Tell Projects

by Ken Hallberg

We had five members that presented their latest projects.

If you need additional information about any of the projects contact the presenter.

Pete Dennis displayed his W-K Hobbies Snipe. The body is fiberglass and 29 inches long. The foam wing spans 47 inches. Four servos and a piped OS 46 control and power this 5 ¼ pound airplane. Radio system is JR.



Mike Sulas latest is a scratch built F16 powered with a P250 motor. The 91 inch long plane has a 60 inch wingspan and will weight in at about 24 pounds. When completed the plane will have flaps and retracts. The 10 servos will be controlled with JR equipment.



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ANNUAL FLOAT FLY

MAY 28, 2011
8 AM to 1 pm+

DIRECTIONS: Exit Hwy 57 at 167th Cicero,
Twin Lakes are located on the NW corner of
167th and Cicero *<http://sac-rc.org>*



Bring family, friends and floats
\$5.00 Landing fee
Big/Small planes, elec boats, heli's
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AMA sanctioned event sponsored by S.A.C. Suburban Aero Club



Don't Forget To Renew Your Membership!

Please remember to renew your SAC membership as soon as possible.
The application is below so please fill it out and either mail or give it to Pat Dillon. At the meetings Pat and Ron

always have membership applications. Don't forget your E-Mail address! If you are new to the hobby or, if you're thinking of getting in the air, this is a great way to start. SAC membership

gives you access to a vast knowledge of building and flying skill. Get your plane setup correctly and learn to fly through our instructor program!



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2011

Dues: \$50 (Regular) \$10 (under 18)

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Date of Birth: _____ Email: _____

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Please supply your transmitter channels:

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2011 SAC ANNUAL CLUB PICNIC

June is just around the corner. It's time to start thinking about the picnic. **This will be our first picnic at our new location.** As you can see by the menu, we're not cooking hot dogs. We have it catered by **Polonia Catering & Market**. Its excellent food and the wives get to see what we actually do at the flying field. People arrive whenever; the field is open for everyone to fly. Food is served at 12 noon. Then you can stay as long as you want. It's a lot of fun. Quite a few members have already signed up.

I must have a good count by May 30, 2011

Hope to see you there.

JUNE 5, 2011, AT OUR FIELD

FOOD SERVED AT 12 pm

\$10.00 per person

MENU

Tossed Salad with Dressing , Fried Chicken, Italian Beef with Sweet Peppers,
Oven Roasted Potatoes, Corn Niblets

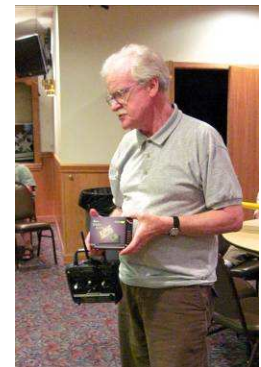
May 2011 Show & Tell Projects (continued from Page 6)

Tim Agee described his Seagull AT-6 Texan. It's all wood construction, 6 servos and an OS 46 FX brings the total weight to 7 pounds. It has retracts and the radio equipment is Spectrum.



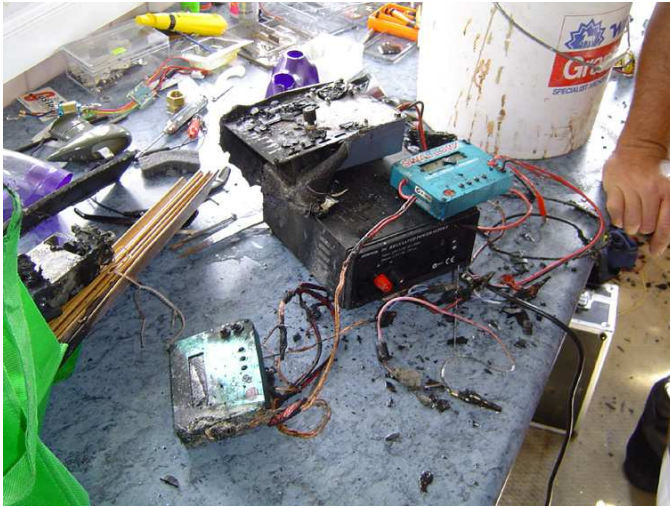
Greg Stevens (VP Safety Nominee) showed off his Hanger 9 F6F Hellcat. The plane was modeled after the 1943 Hellcat flown off the US Lexington. The 10 pound plane is powered with a Thunder Tiger 61 and JR equipment control the 6 servos.

George Kuehn described the Corona "do it yourself" 2.4 ghz conversion kit. It's an inexpensive way to upgrade some older equipment. He said the conversion could be a little tricky.



SAC MONTHLY MEETINGS SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:30 PM AT THE TINLEY PARK VFW 172nd and OAK PARK AVE., TINLEY PARK, IL

(continued from page 4) Li-Po Safety



CUB FLY IN Sunday July 17, 2011

Registration 7:00 AM Contest starts at 8:00 AM

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(Prizes to be announced at a later date)

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EVENTS TO INCLUDE

1. Scale taxi for takeoff
 2. Scale takeoff, traffic pattern and landing.
 3. Spot Landing.
 4. Timed Landing (With Talking Timer)
- Touch and Go.

POINTS WILL BE AWARDED FOR EACH EVENT

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