



JAYHAWK Model Masters Newsletter



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APRIL 2009

April 18 Meeting

**JHMM Club House
305 West 23rd
Lawrence**

8:00 AM – Breakfast

9:00 AM – Business Meeting

Schedule of Events:

**April 18, JHMM Club Meeting
And Work Day**

April 21, Family Night–Barby & Fly

Thurs. Eve.'s, JHMM Building Night

April 25, Clinton Lake Cleanup

May 2-3, “Jayhawk Open”

**May 14, Franklin County Flyers Meeting
Wellsville Field**

May 30, Franklin County Flyers Fun Fly

June 6-7, Heart of America Float Fly

June 27, “Jayhawk Float Fly”

July 18-19, Wichita Sod Busters Jumbo

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Newsrap

I have a feeling that this newsletter will be shorter than usual sine I don't have as many photos to work with and since we have had a lot of blustery windy days the past month. We had a pretty good rain last night and I went by the field to see how much of it was flooded; it's not too bad. I did make it out to the field the last couple of Wednesday's to fly and to see what was going on. Tom Supancic and I flew on Wed. the 1st of April. I flew my BVM Maverick and AT6 and Tom flew his Sky Raider. There was a cool brisk wind, so hardly anyone else arrived except for Harris Tate.

This last Wednesday was much nicer and the parking lot began to get very full. I flew my Maverick again, but not with very good results. Tom flew his Cox Waco, however, the landing gear cracked, and that was the end of that. Others flying included Harris Tate (Super Sportster), George Jones (Edge 540), Darrel Cordle, Kent Kummer, Fred Heinecke (Wild Thing), Phil Abbadessa, Mike Leeper, Mike Weinsaft, and others.

Phil arrived with his new Rearwin Speedster to take it out for the Maiden. Darrel Cordle did the maiden, However, the radio locked up for some unknown reason, and the craft cart-wheeled into the wetlands.

Later that night I stopped by the field to see if anyone was still there. There were a lot of cars, but none that I recognized. The KU aerospace dept. was there to test fly their new AIAA contest plane for the first time. Alex Lopez was their test pilot and building partner. The contest will be held in Tucson, AZ and is called the AIAA Student Design~Build~Fly Competition.

The AIAA stands for the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics. The AIAA competition is sponsored by the Cessna~Raytheon Aircraft Company.

Each aircraft when disassembled must fit into a 2' x 2' x 4' wooden box that can be dropped a specified height (12") without damage to the contents. They will be judged on design, time to assemble, flight with empty payload, and flight with 12 lb. water payload, and other factors. The aircraft must be electric powered with off the shelf components. They can carry 4 Nicd or Nimh 7.2 volt batteries, but cannot exceed 40 amps.

The aircraft did get off the ground Wednesday night without a payload, but it had a very large rearward CG and Alex was fortunate to get it landed with minimal damage. Here are a couple photos below by Mike Weinsaft.



Dues are Due

OK, guys, you are near the drop dead date on your membership renewal. So, lets get them in this week, or else? Or we will come get your gate key, or we will take your keys to the club condo, or we will report you to the membership police, or we will put you on probation, or we will remove you from the roster, or we will hide all your airplanes, or we will.....? You'll See! Are you scared yet?

April 9 Flying Fun

Yesterday was another of those somewhat mild Saturdays when you would expect a number of pilots to head to the field, and they did. Matt Hilt came with his Mach Racer that he and Fred Heinecke had just finished up. The first hand-toss takeoff went into the ground with no damage, however, the 2nd launch looked to be fine, until the radio seemed to lock out, much like Phil's Rearwin Speedster. No news on what was found, but the "Mach" will fly again soon after some cosmetic surgery. Here are some photos to follow.



Others flying included John Dalton with his Fokker D-7 and his Hanger 9 TaylorCraft. Harris Tate brought his Super Sporster; Alex Lopez was flying a 3-D profile aircraft, and Tom Supancic took his Yak 54 to the air. Here is John's Taylorcraft in the following 2 photos.



Your's Truly attempted 2 aborted takeoffs with the swap meet C-47. Photo prior to takeoff. Loose weight in the nose may have been the problem?



Family Night Starts Tuesday April 21

Those of you who are new to the club since last summer may not be aware of the Family Night each month. So, the Tuesday following our Saturday club meeting is our designated family night. We will both light up the Barby for cooking, and also fly until dark or after if your plane is lighted. All family members are encouraged to come for the gathering and possible games etc. See you next Tuesday starting around 6-ish.

George Jones in Local Rag

Some of you may have seen the article about the Jayhawk Model Masters in the March 29 Journal World. Mark Boyle did the article in his "Mark's on the Move" column. You can also go to the JW Archives for March 29 and see a video that was taken at the field. I had to be in Hutchinson that day so the video is all I had to look at, but I heard there was a huge turnout for the all the "Pub". Below is a photo that ran in the paper featuring George Jones, however, the video featured several others including Darrel Cordle, and Kent Kummer.



The printed article is on the next column.

Club offers hub for model planes

Those of you who visit the Clinton Lake dam area may have seen the aerial show put on by the Jayhawk Model Masters.

The club's nearly 80 members — the youngest member is just 15 years old — spend their free time flying model airplanes based from their own miniature airstrip just east of the dam.

"It's just a really great hobby," said Patrick Deuser, club president. "The building, the flying, it's wonderful. The camaraderie of the guys in the club is fun."

The hobby attracts pilots from all walks of life.

Several are former pilots who want to continue the pursuit of the perfect flight, without investing the time and money to fly a full-scale aircraft. They say model airplanes can be just as fun as piloting on a larger scale.

"You can always take an instructor or ride with somebody else," said George Jones, former pilot and club member. "This is about the next best thing."

The size of the airplanes can be quite deceiving when airborne. Some are very intricate and have wing spans of more than 8 feet. I took over the controls of a trainer airplane, which was much smaller, and got the hang of it within 10 or 15 minutes — but still had plenty of room for improvement.

Club members urge anyone who enjoys building, tinkering and flying to join them and learn more about the hobby. Jayhawk Model Masters is host to three air shows a year at the airfield. I can tell you first-hand, the show is designed to impress.

If you're interested in learning more, contact Jayhawk Model Masters at jayhawkmodelmasters.com or call at 766-9254.

March 21 Club Meeting

We had about 32 attendees and 3 visitors at the March meeting. One visitor was Matt Hilt's uncle, I think his name was Ken Barron. Matt said he was interested in getting into RC flying. The other 2 visitors were from the SMRCC, and they came to inform us about their June 6-7 "Heart of America Float Fly" at Paola. They were Darrel Watts and Wade Atkinson, the current president of the SMRCC.

Phill Abbadessa reported on his recent trip to "Florida Jets". He said pilots were called up in 6-pilot groups to eliminate waiting. He said the most impressive was a giant A-10, and a \$16,500 F-4 Phantom. The most common was the BVM Kingcat. The weather was perfect with a 3 mph breeze straight down the runway. He saw only one accident right after they arrived.

Jerry gave the March treasurer's report and reported a net worth of \$7296.95. The Safety report followed by Kent Kummer. I believe he said we have a new first aid kit at the field. He reminded us to be pro-active regarding safety and identified some areas of safety we have been lax in. They are listed below.

- 1) Do not taxi your aircraft in the pits.
- 2) Children under 6 cannot be in the pit area.
- 3) All non-pilots and children must stay clear of the runway and in the spectator area.
- 4) Try to fly about 25' in front of the pilot blocks. Never fly behind the blocks.
- 5) Walk to rear of aircraft to remove your glow igniter.
- 6) Always point the motor toward the pit fence when starting

We discussed whether to invite vendors to our flying events and whether we should charge them anything. We finally decided that their presence would be an asset to our events and there would be no charge if they decided to come. We also kicked around the idea of sending a special invite to our city and county commissioners.

Matt Hilt announced that the Douglas County Amateur Radio Club is interested in reciprocating programs with us. The thinking being that they have some people interested in RC aircraft, and we might have some people interested in what they do.

The Build-a-Plane contest was also talked about. It was decided that we will extend the contest deadline to the July Meeting to allow members to complete their projects.

An announcement was made regarding Mark Boyle's program and the fact he would like to meet us at the field on either Wed. or Thurs. at about 2:00 PM. He wanted to document the whole process of field assembly, check list, and flying. You know the rest of the story.

The breakfast crew asked for some additional volunteers to help with the club day cooking. They need at least 2 more people.

Announcements were made regarding the Barnstormers Aug. 15-16 Scalemasters Qualifier, and the May 16-17 Airport Anniversary celebration at the Lawrence airport. I believe we have an official invite from Rich Haig, however, we will need to respond.

Show & Tell

Mike Bolline was the first to show his E-flight DeHaviland Beaver. It's powered with an E-Flight #32 motor, a 60 amp ESC and a 3S 3000 mah lipo. You might recall Mike's first Beaver was destroyed in a mid-air with Dalton's Corsair. So now, he would like some Corsair Kill-Markers for his Beaver cowl. See photo.



Larry Houseworth brought a new GP Escapade. He said this was his reward for his success in quitting smoking. The whole thing bolts together, and weighs 6 lbs. with the Magnum .46 2-stroke. The Escapade shown below features a 55" wingspan.



Matt Hilt was showing the Mach Racer you saw earlier in the rag. This hand-launch beauty, pictured in the next column, has all digital servos, weighs 4 lbs. wet, and is pulled by a .52 Magnum 2-stroke motor.



Hank Darnell came with a non-arf BP Hobbies Slow-Stick. It also comes as an ARF kit. This one features a carbon fiber fuse, a cheap \$15 brushless motor, and a 3S 1200 mah Lipo.



Last up was John Dalton who brought the wing center-section off the Beech 18 that he is building. The air-powered retracts were installed and working. The '18' will be 7.5 feet long and carry a 140" wingspan when completed.



The Model of the Month was won by Hank Darnell and the "Slow Stick". The Gal-O-Fuel went to Nate Ericson, and the "Vapor" Indoor Flyer went home with Floyd Greenwood.

The P-Factor

Greetings to all and welcome to the April edition of the P-Factor.

I was really encouraged by the number of people who have signed up to help at the Jayhawk Open. I think the idea of scheduled time slots is a good one. That way you know you can help your club and still get to fly or enjoy the show. As you all know, our flying events are an important activity for our club. They provide us with the opportunity to showcase our talents to the community and possibly recruit new members. They can also provide a terrific boost to the club treasury. This in turn helps us to keep dues down at a reasonable level. It takes each and every one of us to work together to make this club all it can be. We do still have some more slots available so contact me or another board member to get your name on the list.

Thanks to all those who voted to delay the build a plane event until July. I still may not have my almost top secret project ready, but perhaps I can have something else finished to enter. The additional 3 months should be enough time for most of you to finish up a plane or two.

We are approaching a very busy time of year with many activities coming up. There will be plenty of opportunities to get involved in one form or another. Just a few of the things coming up that I can remember: Club Weekend this weekend (which will incorporate a work day to spruce up the field), Family night on Tuesday, Clinton Cleanup, The Jayhawk Open, the Lawrence Airport Open House, and The Mclouth BBQ Blowout in June.

We have not officially been invited to the open house or the BBQ Blowout but I am pretty sure we will be. And then we have our float fly in June. All of these are things that our club are directly involved in. There is a lot of work that goes into planning these activities. They are a lot of fun and often become the things that memories are made of.

When you go to different club activities and hear pilots standing around BSing (we don't really do that, Do we?) Many of the "war stories" come from events like Mclouth... Like the times Dave Norris, Chris Kloepper, and Don Brents each tried to electrify their airplanes in the power lines, or Tony Holladay skinned earthworms while flying the diamond dust with a brilliant save. There was also the time Steve Fair hit the press box with his spad and the time KC Moore did a splash and dash with his diamond dust at a float fly, and the time..... The point is, get out and fly! Participate in the events. Have some fun! You might just find that you are the stuff that legends are made of.

I hope to see you all at the club meeting on Sat April 18th, at the field afterwards for some flying and sprucing up of the facility, and again at our first Family Night of the year on Tuesday the 21st.

Gentle winds and soft landings,

~Patrick

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
JAYHAWK MODEL MASTERS
A.M.A. CLUB #2013**

NOTE: YOU MUST BELONG TO THE ACADEMY OF MODEL AERONAUTICS [AMA] BEFORE JOINING THE CLUB AND YOU MUST HAVE LIABILITY INSURANCE IN ORDER TO FLY AT THE CLINTON LAKE R/C FIELD.

FULL NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____

AMA# _____ RADIO CHANNELS ___/___/___/___/___/___/___/___

BIRTHDAY _____ WIFE'S NAME _____

E-MAIL _____

I AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL CLUB RULES AND THE DECISIONS OF CLUB OFFICERS

SIGNED: _____ DATE _____

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ANNUAL DUES: \$50.00 [ADULT], \$25.00 [18 AND UNDER],
\$70.00 [FAMILY with youth under 18 years].

Dues Prorated Quarterly – FOR NEW MEMBERS ONLY.

A key to the flying field requires a \$3.00 deposit.

**MAIL DUES TO: JAYHAWK MODEL MASTERS
 C/O JERRY FOREE
 724 NORTH STREET
 LAWRENCE, KS 66044**

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AGREEMENT

In consideration of my/or my children, guests, or other persons participation in club or field activity, I hereby, for myself, my heirs, my executors and/or administrators, waive any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against the JAYHAWK MODEL MASTERS R/C CLUB, INC., and any individuals elected or appointed to act as representatives of the JAYHAWK MODEL MASTERS R/C CLUB, INC., the U.S. Army Corp. of Engineers, the City of Lawrence, or their representatives. Also, none of the above are responsible for the loss of personal items nor any other form of aggravation in connection with club or field activities. I recognize that there may be potential hazards in this activity.

In filling out this form, I acknowledge I have read and fully understand my own liability and do accept the restrictions.

**FULL NAME [Please
print]** _____

SIGNATURE _____

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SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN[if under
18] _____

Jayhawk Open Fly-In

May 2-3, 2009

9:00 AM—5:00 PM

By: Jayhawk Model Masters

**Location: Below Clinton Dam-Lawrence, KS
3.1 Miles West of HiWay 59 on County Rd 458**

***Landing Fee: \$25.00 Includes Dinner
Registration Starts at 8:00 AM***

**Contest Director: Patrick Deuser
785-766-9254**

Concessions & Facilities On Site

Spectators Welcome



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