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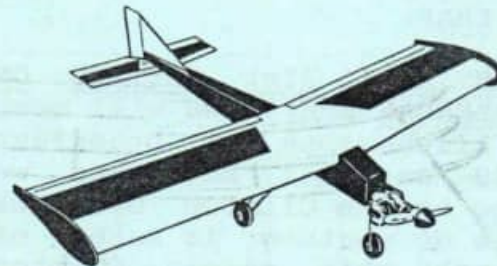
Richard called the meeting to order. There is \$1,290.04 in the Treasury. Bob Hutchins won the door prize of an ACE CVC.

Richard reported on his meeting with the Corp. of Engineers regarding the Clinton Lake Clean-up (see article on page 2). Richard also mentioned that he was nominated Chairman of the Clean-up Committee. Dave Plamann made a motion to donate \$50.00 to the Corp. of Engineers for the clean-up effort. Bill Elkins seconded it. The motion passed with a majority vote.

Brett Bennett showed his transmitter-on box. Larry Wise talked about planting "buffalo grass". Jerry Lee brought his Stearman. He did a really good job building it, and it looked impressive.

Next month's door prize is an ACE "Blue Max" as shown below. Tickets are \$1.00 each.

Blue Max An All Out Fun Fly Machine



Wing Span: 52"
Wing Area: 585 Sq In
Weight: 3-1/2 to 4 Lbs
Length: 41"
Engine: .30-.45 2 Cycle
.40-.49 4 Cycle
Radio: 4 Channel

CLINTON LAKE CLEAN-UP MEETING
(1-30-90)

WE HAVE A GOOD PLACE TO FLY!
Well guys, the old "Prez" needs your help! More importantly, the Corp. of Engineers and Clinton Lake needs your help.

We all know that we have one of the BEST flying fields in the Mid-west, and perhaps, the entire country! It costs us exactly .20 cents a year in rent from the Corp. Have we got a deal or what?

NOW, IT'S PAY-BACK TIME! I attended the kick-off meeting of the "Clinton Lake Clean-Up Committee" and came away with a newfound respect for just one of the problems the Corp. must face year around. TRASH!

BE THERE TO HELP! Last year the Clean-up resulted in over 200 lbs. of recyclable material being collected and an additional truck-load or two of just plain trash. All this without benefit of any money to use for advertising and/or promotional material. Only 400 concerned people showed up to help. We think we can change that.

PUT THE APRIL 21st MEETING ON YOUR CALENDAR NOW!! We will meet at the All-Seasons for breakfast at 8:30 as usual, but then we will go to the Clinton Overlook Park to do whatever is asked of us to make this year's Clinton Lake Clean-Up the BEST EVER!

WHY? Because the Jayhawk Model Masters will be there! In full force!

RLB

P.S. We might even find Chuck's plane!

APRIL MEETING: April 21st at 8:30 a.m.

All-Seasons Motel
Breakfast Meeting, followed by the Clinton Lake Clean-Up!
Free Hot Dog lunch at noon.

DON'T FORGET!
WE NEED YOUR HELP ON THIS ONE!

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PRODUCT SAFETY WARNING

Recent confirmation from ACE R/C indicates that there is in fact a problem with some FFC Chargers failing to shut off, as reported in last month's Product Test Report. The problem is that some of the new "SUPER-NICAD" cells reach their peak charge voltage before the 6.25 volt cut-off point is reached.

FFC Chargers and kits now being shipped are calibrated to 5.95 volts trip voltage, instead of 6.25 volts. This cures the problem without any effect on percent-of-charge attained at cut-back to the normal charge rate.

If you have an FFC, it should be re-calibrated to the recommended 5.95 volt trip voltage before use with anything other than the 500 mA. flight packs supplied as original equipment with your radio. This can easily be done by several club members, or you may return your FFC to ACE R/C for proper calibration.

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DID YOU KNOW THAT YOU CAN GET A DUPLICATE (OR EXTRA) A.M.A. CARD IN ABOUT A WEEK? COST IS ONLY \$2.00 FROM A.M.A. MEMBER SERVICES.

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THE I's HAVE IT!

Every once in awhile, a clear signal comes out of the blue and smacks you "upside the head!" It is trying to tell you something. It might only be your 19th birthday, or perhaps your 69th! It really doesn't matter what your age is, but when you start to notice that newsletter print and airplanes start to look smaller, you HAVE received a signal.

Nature is trying to tell you that your eyes need help to continue to provide you with a clear picture of the things you enjoy seeing! The problem is that you can't see as well as you used to. But you may not have noticed it yet. It creeps up on you like a run-down battery pack!

I know, because it happened to me, and I didn't even realize it until I needed Bi-Focals! Now I have to wonder what I could have seen (or done) if I had only been aware of the problem four or six years sooner.

Like most people I had an aversion to spending money foolishly for eye tests.

After all, the U.S. ARMY had just told me that I had the eyes of an Eagle in 1970! That was only (AH! Let's see! That was only, NO, it couldn't have been!) 20 YEARS AGO! Get the picture?

Not if your eyes need help. A visit to an Optometrist should be HIGH on your list of THINGS TO DO. If you fly R/C, you really need to know if your vision is 100% or only 98%. Believe me! I only wish I had done it sooner.

Your Optometrist can also advise you on GOOD sunglasses with UV protection, impact resistant lens, and gradient tints for haze

and cloud conditions. He can help you make your eyes work BETTER than they were designed to do while flying R/C airplanes! At the same time, he can correct problems that you may not have noticed until it becomes a problem you can't help but notice. (As in my case!)

No matter your age or how well you can see, (or think you can see!), find an Optometrist and talk to him about your R/C hobby, and your vision needs. He can make you a better pilot!

FLY SAFE --- RLB



ITEMS FOR SALE

Great Planes Super-Sportster 60 kit. New, in box. \$65.00.
Mac's .40-.61 size tuned pipe. New. \$20.00. Contact Richard Ballard at 843-8623 if you are interested in either item.

REMINDER

As we get our meeting room on Saturday mornings at no charge, we need to remember to tip the waitress. Let's try to keep up our good relationship with the establishment.

HOW TO: BUILD A BETTER CLOTHES PIN

Wooden clothes pins are very useful in any model building project. They can be used to hold parts while glueing as well as for many other uses. One problem we often find is that they make dents in Balsa from the rounded contact points. Another is that they often won't open wide enough to go over, say, two 1/4" sheets at once. What we need is a better clothes pin; one that will open wide and not leave dents in the wood when it is removed.

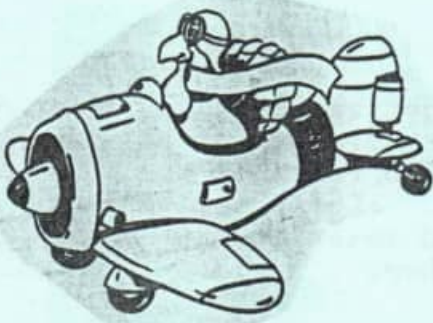
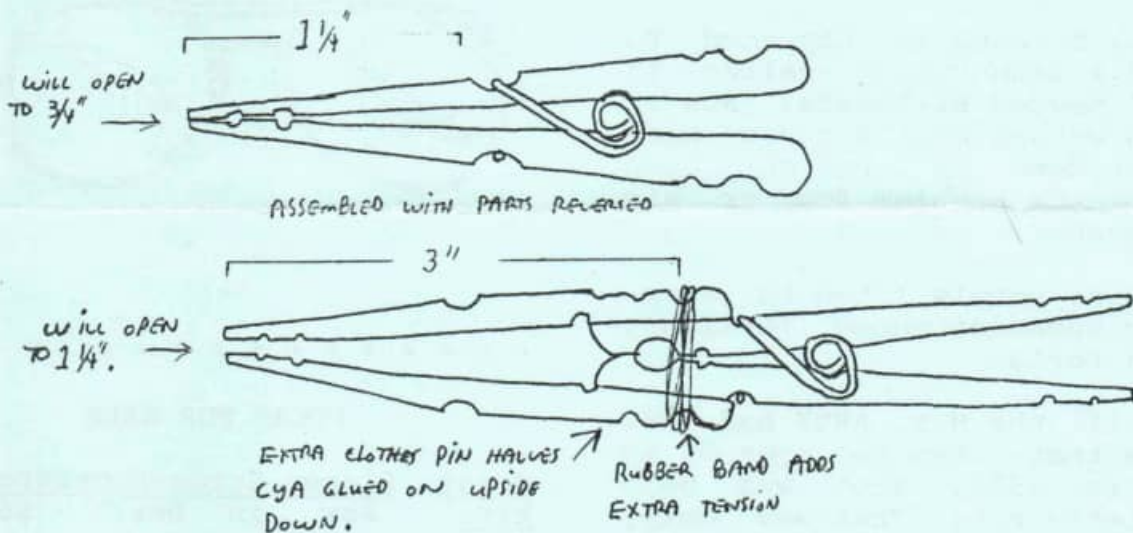
Take a look at the drawings below for the answer to our problems. By simply taking apart a clothes

pin and reassembling it with the two halves reversed, we can double the jaw opening and depth. We also gain smooth, flat gripping surfaces that won't bend Balsa wood.

Need even more than that, you say? Making one Big One out of two Little Ones give us even more jaw opening and depth. A small rubber band can be added if more jaw tension is needed, but it is usually not necessary.

Why not make up a few "Better Clothes Pins" before you start on your next building project. You will be glad you did!

FLY SAFE --- RLB



Is this what it's going to take to get you involved?



BE CLUB ACTIVE...

GET INVOLVED !

A FEW QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Our club is well into it's third year of life, and has operated under the same basic leadership since it was formed. This can be good or bad, depending on whether or not you are happy. WE SEEM TO HAVE A LARGE SILENT MAJORITY OF MEMBERS WHO DON'T ATTEND MEETINGS, VOTE, OR RESPOND TO QUESTIONNAIRES LIKE THIS ONE. We need to know what YOU want your club to be in order to stay on the right track. PLEASE take the time to fill out this form and mail it back to me, so that we can do the things YOU want to do.

1. Are you happy with the club?
 Yes No Yes, but: (please explain)
2. Club annual dues are:
Too high Too low Just right (please explain)
3. Are you happy with Safety at the field?
 Yes No (please explain)
4. Are you happy with safety rule enforcement?
Yes No Yes, but: (please explain) *When Sr. members get to close to the pits its considered entertaining, but when Jr. members get to close to the pits its considered dangerous.*
5. Are you happy with your instructor's help?
 Yes No Yes, but: (please explain)
6. Your main interest in R/C?
 Building Flying Learning Other (please explain)
7. Our meeting schedule (8:30a.m. -- 3rd Saturday) is:
 Good Bad Read bad! I would rather: (please explain)
8. Our meeting format is:
 Good Bad I would rather: (please explain) *It would be good to have some of the Sr. builders share more of their building tips and tricks.*
9. Do you read the Newsletter?
 Yes No Sometimes Never
10. What would you like to see in the Newsletter? (please explain)
It's excellent now. Just give us more information.
11. If you could change the flying field in any way, you would: (please explain)
12. Where could we best spend our money? (please explain)
Helping new people get started? Advertising? Field Improvement?
13. Should we do more community service work?
 Yes No Yes, but: (please explain)
14. If you were a club officer, what would you do differently? (please explain)
15. If I could change anything I wanted to in the club, I would: (please explain)

Signed: Gary Rauckman
(OPTIONAL)

Again, please take the time to complete this form and return it to me. We will publish the results in a later Newsletter if we get enough response. And remember, the direction our club takes in the future depends on YOU!

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PANAVIA TORNADO IDS (1982)

A joint product of British, West German and Italian industry, the Tornado is a multirole all-weather fighter. Powered by two 15,000-pound-thrust engines and with a top speed of 1,320 mph, it carries two 27-mm. cannon and up to 18,000 pounds of bombs; an air-defense version is also produced for the RAF. The plane above bears the Iron Cross insignia of the West German Luftwaffe.

