



# JAYHAWK Model Masters Newsletter



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**MARCH 2009**

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## Mar. 21 Meeting

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

**8:00 AM – Breakfast**

**9:00 AM – Business Meeting**

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## Schedule of Events:

**Mar. 21, JHMM Club Meeting**

**Mar. 24, Model Talk @ Foree's**

**Thurs. Eve.'s, JHMM Building Night**

**Apr. 9, Franklin County Flyers Meeting**

**April 25, KCRC Spring Pylon Race**

**May 2-3, Jayhawk Open**

**June 6-7, Heart of America Float Fly**

**June 27, Jayhawk Float Fly**

## Newsrap

OK, it was time I take a break from cutting out all those louvers in the Yak cowl. I believe there are 44 louvers total. Between that and watching the Jayhawks lose to Baylor in the Big 12 tourney, I should be stir-crazy by the time I finish the newsletter. Oh yea, I also stayed up until 12:30 last night to watch a 6 overtime Syracuse victory over UCon.

So much for the boring side of life, and on to the things that really count, your RC passion.

Hey, how about that new Canadair float plane that Nitro Planes just released. This is the CL-415 model that features an 80.7" wingspan, is 58" long, and has a 10 lb. flying weight. This baby is designed for two .52 2-strokes and sells for only \$239. Compare that to the KMP of the same size and looks that is priced at \$400. The KMP model is the CL-215 with radial engines, while the NP model is the 415 with inline engines. Both are the same size. See below:



By the way, some of you may have heard that Tom Supancic has been busy restoring and upgrading that lime green 54 Chevy of his. He even tells me that he just chopped the top on his new 49 Chevy project. Don't be fooled, I spotted him this week sneaking out with his new giant scale "Buzz Bomb" project. He even resorted to driving Timber's new hot-pink sub-compact to prevent us from noticing. See here:



I trust that you guys are moving nicely along with your winter projects. I know John Dalton is making progress on that Zirol C-18, but I don't know about anyone else. My attention has been the restoration of my 15 yr. old BVM Maverick ducted fan. I have the fan and thrust tube installed and the gear in it, so, it is getting close. I haven't quite figured out where to put the batteries, and where the CG should be. I guess that's next. I am also installing the gear in the NP twin Cessna 100 ducted fan, however, I had to beef up the landing gear blocks first, according to the guys on RCGroups.

### ***Club Day Flyers***

According to the sign up sheet, listed below are those who flew on club day last month.

George Jones	Sig LT-40
Patrick Deuser	George's LT-40
Kent Kummer	4-Star 40 & Pulse 60
John Bowman	GP J-3 Cub
Harris Tate	Avistar
G Rauckman	Alfa A-4

Many of you may have noticed that Phil Abbadessa just got back from Florida Jets. All those large photo files might be your first clue. Anyway, I ran across this photo and thought this might be a good beginner project for Phil now that he has been surely bitten by the jet bug. "Virus"



***In Memory of  
Donald D Forsyth  
1926-2009***

We will remember Don for his great sense of humor, his great support of our club and events, and his desire to open all our eating time schedules by having his place saved at the front of the line. We will really miss Don now that he has taken his last flight. He was a sincere friend to many of us.

Don was born in Manila, Philippines, and was the son of Lt. Commander George D Forsyth. He graduated from high school in 1943 and attended Northeastern University in Boston before entering the Navy V-12 program at Tufts College. He graduated with a B.S. in Science Engineering in Feb. 1946. He served on various cruisers and destroyers until he started his flight training in 1950 at Pensacola, Florida. From 1951-54 he served on various aircraft carriers in the Mediterranean area.

He was a flight instructor in Pensacola from 1954 -57. He joined the Pacific Fleet on Whidbey Island and served on the aircraft carrier Midway. He finally served as executive assistant to the deputy commander of the Beurea of Naval Weapons in Washington.

In 1969 he moved to Lawrence to serve as Executive Officer of the KU Naval ROTC unit until his retirement on June 30, 1972. Don received an M.S. degree in Water Resources engineering and an MBA in 1976 after retirement. He also worked as an appraiser and retirement programs officer at Lawrence Savings Association and Columbia Savings. Don married Rose Marie Livezey in Corpus Christi, Texas on June 1, 1951. She died April 15, 2008.

Here is a pictorial of the way we want to remember Don Forsyth.



## ***Hank Darnell Indoor Baldwin 1<sup>st</sup> Event***

There have been at least 2 Indoor events sponsored by Hank Darnell. Both events were in Baldwin City, one in the old gym and one in the spacious new one. Here are a few photos from the first event The Hanger 9 "Vapor" seems to be the airplane of choice.

Here is Lester Smith releasing his Bi-Plane twin-pusher:



Here is Joe Gadzia's twin screw E-Copter



Here is one of many "Vapor's"



Here are the pits at the Darnell Indoor.



Finally you are looking at another Bi-Plane pusher by I think Larry Davidson



## ***Feb Model Talk @ Rauckmans***

The only picture I took was of this table of eaters. The rest of us were eating in the dining room.



I enjoyed having everyone over for shop talk, videos and of course eating. I trust it was a good time for you as well. A big thank you to Kathy for preparing the food.

## ***Jayhawk Model Masters Feb. 21 Club Meeting***

We had 38 members in attendance at the Feb. Club meeting including a visitor by the name of Jim Denny. Jim was involved with the RC hobby about twenty years ago, and now wants to get back in it. Obviously, he came to the right place; welcome back Jim.

Jerry Foree gave the Treasurer's report for the month. It now shows us with a net worth of \$6492. The Safety report was given by Kent Kummer. He reminded us to do Tx field checks and complete preflight inspections. Also, don't reach over props, and be sure to communicate with other flyers on the flight line.

Larry Davidson briefed us on how the new "ground school" committee was coming. They now have 9 people on the committee and they have identified 3 areas of study. One being "preflight", two being "basic aeronautics, and three being new member "orientation".

Bob Charlesworth gave an announcement regarding the IMAA, their membership, and their update to some of the rules.

An announcement was made regarding the passing of Don Forsyth, and Darrell Cordle read a poem in keeping with the remembrance of Don.

Bill Glenn of the Blue Sky IMAA club was on hand to give a video presentation of the Joe Nall Fly-In that is coming up on May 13 – May 16. Triple Tree is the name of the location and it is about one hour south of Spartanburg, SC, and about 4 miles north of Gatensburg. Campsites are available for \$10 per day.

Bill says they now have 3 event areas or

fields. The upper or original field is now for Warbirds, the second field to the south is for 3D aircraft, and the Lake is the third flying area for float planes. See pic's below.



As Dalton said, no "free range" toddlers. Thanks Bill for bringing the Joe Nall info to us.

## ***Show & Tell***

We had 3 items for show and tell this month if you include John Dalton's newly restored "pit guard". John calls it the forked-legged, shovel-tailed, double-crested, harrow-tooth "Bud Pekker".



John Lewis brought a Retro RC "E'Moth" that he picked up at the Detroit Mid-America E-Fly. John also presented the club with one of the \$85 kits. The top weight of the "e'moth" is about 19 oz's. It features rubber band landing gear suspension, and adjustable wing incidence for varying flying conditions.



The Model of the month was won by John Lewis with his new "e'moth". The Gal-O-Fuel was taken by Patrick Deuser, and the 56" SU-31 raffle prize was presented to Daryl Shutt.



George Jones was showing the 60" GlassAir that he purchased at a swap meet. This plane appears to be larger than 60", it weighs 7.5 lbs. and is powered with an OS 91 4-stroke. The GlassAir is a model of the full size experimental aircraft. George is using a 16 x 6 prop. See photos at the top.





## The P-Factor

Greetings to all and welcome to the 15th edition of the P-Factor.

First up this month I would like to thank new member Bill Glynn for his presentation at the meeting about the Joe Nall giant scale event he attended a couple of years ago. I know it sure made me want to go and check it out. Maybe we can get a group together and go.

Last weekend I had the opportunity to go down to Baldwin with my son and check out the indoor flying That Hank has been arranging at Baker University. I will be the first person to tell you I am not really into electrics that much, but the little Vapors that some of the guys had were pretty cool. It sure would beat flying outside in the rain anyhow. Thanks Hank for letting me fly your Vapor. David and I had a blast.

Wow, the weather this past month has really had it ups and downs. There have been a few beautiful days that I would have loved to have been out flying instead of working. But thankfully I still have a job that pays a little. So I guess until I hit the lottery I will just have to look out the window and dream.

Speaking of the weather, do you all realize that now is the time to thoroughly go through your models and fix anything that may have been neglected from last year. Cycle the batteries, fix the covering, change the fuel tubing in your tanks if needed (it sometimes loses its flexibility as it gets older). While on the subject of fuel tanks, sometimes on Sullivan and DuBro (and maybe some other brands) tanks, if the model has set for a while the rubber stoppers will shrink. It's a good idea to clamp off one of the lines coming out of the tank and blow into the other one and do a little pressure check. Otherwise it is easy to fill up a fuselage with fuel if that stopper isn't sealed real well. It is also a good idea to the needed tools and supplies.

It is time to start brushing up on your piloting skills because we have an event coming up in early May. When you get to the field for the first time or two your skills may have gotten a little rusty over the winter months. Do not be afraid to have another pilot stand next to you just in case...

Since I mentioned the May event, please be thinking how you could help make this one of the best events ever. There is much work to be done. If everyone pitches in, then we can all share the responsibilities and nobody gets tied down to any one job for the entire day. I know there will be some opportunities for folks to step up and help out. I know we will need someone to step up and head the concession stand as Don Boucher has other obligations that weekend. I am sure he would be willing to help with advice for whoever takes on the responsibility.

I have yet to hear anyone come forward who says they will have an airplane ready for the build a plane contest next month. I have had a lot of people say they thought the idea was a good one. My question for those who are interested in competing is: Do we need more time? Thanks to some poor planning on my part (and at least 2 backorders from Tower Hobbies) I know I could use a lot more time but I don't want to change the rules to accommodate me. If you are on the bubble of being able to enter this contest because of time, let me know. If you want to be included in this contest let me know. Perhaps we can get together right after the meeting.

I hope to see you all at the club meeting on Sat march 21st, at the field afterwards for some flying and again at our last Model talk at Jerry Foree's on the 24th.  
Gentle winds and soft landings,

~Patrick



# ***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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