



# JAYHAWK Model Masters Newsletter



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**MAY 2009**

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## May 16 Meeting

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

**8:00 AM – Breakfast**

**9:30 AM – Business Meeting**

## Schedule of Events:

**May 16, JHMM Club Meeting  
“Lawrence Airport”**

**May 19, Family Night–Barby & Fly**

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

**May 30, Franklin County Flyers Fun Fly  
“4 competition events”**

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

**June 6, McLouth Barby & RC Fun Show**

**June 11, Franklin County Flyers Meeting  
“Wellsville Field”**

**June 27, “Jayhawk Float Fly”**

**July 18-19, Wichita Sod Busters Jumbo**

**July 25-26, “Jayhawk Open” ?**

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## Newsrap

Several new airplanes have appeared at the field for maiden flights now that we are getting some nice days “sprinkled” in between all the showers. One was Darrel Cordle’s 83” Yak 54. I believe Darrel has Saito power in it of the 1.80 variety. Fred carries Yak off field.



Close-up of Yak business end.



Another aircraft to get the maiden flight was the Nitro Planes J-3 Cub by John Bowman. I think the Cub has a SPE 23 gas engine in it. John also has a World Models J-3 and a Great Planes J-3. I think John had a maiden flight on a 2 place Space Walker on the same night.



Another maiden flight was accomplished this month when Tom Supancic flew his Yak 54 for the first time. His "54" was the one he won at last years Big Bird Fly-In. Darrel won his "54" at the Blue Sky event last year.

I might remind you all that our big float fly event is just around the corner, so you only have about 6 weeks to put the finishing touches on that new "floater". Jayhawk Lake is just waiting for your maiden flight. I have the wings assembled on a Nitro Planes Canadair CL-415 twin, and can't wait to get it out on Jayhawk Lake myself.

Most of the work on any twin is in the wings, because you have to fit 2 engines to the cowls, fit 2 mufflers to the cowls, install 2 fuel tanks, and install and adjust 2 throttle servos. See wing below.



### ***Field Flooded Again***

Much like the last several years, especially since county road 458 was modified, the rain water backed up again onto our flying field. Most notably around the bleachers and pit area. See photos.



## ***Family Night, April 21***

The Jayhawk Open may have been rained out, but Family Night somehow survived as the many rains missed that part of the week in April. Food was great and so was the flying. While the weather is moderate, you should really take advantage of Family Night this month on May 19. Bring something to cook-out or bring something prepared. The Abbadessa's and the Jone's prepare their spread below.



Bill Elkins decided to drag out his old Harman Rocket for this photo-op. Remember when there were about 4 to 6 of the "rockets" in the club and we thought maybe racing them might be a good idea. I believe it was the Northland Club of KC that was having Trainer Races for a couple of years. MNC Hobbies was really encouraging the competition.



## ***Club Day Flyer's***

### ***March***

Patrick Deuser	Kadet Sr
Harris Tate	Avistar
George Jones	Edge 540
Fred Heinecke	Wild Thing
Darrel Cordle	Pitts Model 12

### ***April***

George Jones	Glass Air & T Moth
Patrick Deuser	T Moth
Tom Supancic	Sky Raider
Harris Tate	Avistar
Larry Houseworth	Escapade
Nate Ericson	Gypsy
G Rauckman	A-4 Skyhawk
Justin Pennington	A-4
Fred Heinecke	Wild Thing
Darrel Cordle	Funster
Hank Darnell	Fokker DR1

### ***May 16 Club Meeting Location?***

You may have noticed under the schedule of events on page one, that we are moving the regular meeting location to the **Lawrence Airport**. Arrive on the west airport road and we will set up northeast of the KU hangers.

We have been invited to put on some "Demo Flights" for the Airport Anniversary Celebration that is scheduled for this Saturday. Since we cannot be in 2 places at the same time, we will have our meeting at the airport.

From what I hear, we will have some "Patriotic Flights" to open the ceremonies. This may be the flying of the American Flag or perhaps Patrick's sky-diver or both. The other scheduled "Demo Time" is from 12:00 to 1:00 PM. See you there!

## ***April 18, Club Meeting***

We had 37 members in attendance at the April 18 Club Meeting. That included Jim Denning, a new member, and Justin Pennington, a former member who was back for a visit from New Jersey.

It was announced that we would postpone the work day until next Saturday, but that it was rained out as well.

Tom O'Brien went to the B-24 Pilot Talk at the Shawnee Mission club meeting. Tom said the program was very interesting. The 92 year old speaker started flying when he was in high school, and always wanted to be a fighter pilot. The pilot eventually landed in a B-24 aircraft instead of a fighter. He said the B-24 had a ceiling of only 8000 ft. and therefore was vulnerable to anti-aircraft fire. Apparently all the aircraft flew everyday, but the crews were rotated to give them rest.

Jerry Foree gave the treasurer's report showing that our net worth at \$7112.70. Remember, we are just starting to spend for field maintenance and mowing. Safety Officer Kent Kummer gave his monthly report, and it is summarized below.

Don't throw batteries in the trash, dispose of properly.

No smoking in pits

No flying behind pilot blocks

Go thru safety check list before flight

Put your name or AMA # on the aircraft

Don't reach over prop to remove glow driver.

Jim Denning reviewed how he was injured at the field and how he responded to the situation. He related how he was by himself when he got his finger in the prop. He said he forgot all about the first aid kit, and decided to drive himself to the hospital. He later said he should have stopped at one of the responder stations on the way since he knew where they were.

This was a good reminder as to why it is not a good idea to fly alone. If you have to go to the hospital, there is a chance you are not in good enough shape to drive yourself. Also, it is a good idea to paint your prop tips white as an added safety measure.

Finally, some of you new members may not be aware of the aircraft start-up procedure. Always face the aircraft toward the pit fence during engine start-up. This applies to electric aircraft as well.

Larry Davidson gave a brief description of the new booklet his committee drafted titled, "Orientation Information for New Members" Six copies were placed in the Club Library now located in the food serving room closet. They may provide a video at a later date.

It was decided that the club should buy some walky-talkies for use during club flying events. The board also decided to purchase a new large barby grill for the events. Don Boucher was able to secure a new 6 burner model with his employee discount.

***"Had I known that the Law of Gravity was going to be so expensive, I would have voted to veto the darn thing"***



## ***Show & Tell***

Hank Darnell brought the “Adrenaline Rush” electric pylon racer he has been flying lately. It has a 23.4” wingspan, weighs 4 oz.s. The “Rush” features a Feiga 1208436 brushless motor, and spins a 3 x 2 prop. It uses a Castle 9 amp ESC and 3S Lipo.



Next aircraft was a Nitro Planes Tiger Moth by George Jones. George had to modify the fuel tank cavity to make it work. He also found that the CG had been changed on the website. The “Moth” is powered with a Saito 150. I have watched this aircraft fly and that is gobs of power.



Finally, Suman Saripalli brought a number of antique engines from his vast collection to show at the meeting. Most of the engines were ignition engines and varied in vintage from 1926 up through the 1960’s. The 1926 Mercury engine was made of magnesium. The Aero 35 from the 60’s was designed with a parallel position piston.

One of the antiques was a German engine made during the Nazi years. These are all hand-made engines, and some were given to the “Nazi Air Youth” which was a form of ROTC for kids 13 years old on up. Here is Suman holding the 1926 magnesium engine.



The Model of the Month was George Jones’s Tiger Moth. The Spitfire Raffle Prize was won by Al Lata. See below.



## **The P-Factor**

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

Just when I thought we were looking to be in pretty decent shape for the Jayhawk Open, Mother Nature had to show us who was really the boss. As most of you know, the rains the week before the scheduled date of the Open flooded the field. On Monday when I went out to see how bad it was, there was only about a 15 foot wide strip of the runway visible above the water. The pit and the spectator area were all pretty much under water. I went out Tuesday and the water had gone down quite a bit but the ground was fairly soft. The weather forecast was for an additional 2-5 inches of rain before the weekend with a chance for rain on the weekend. After discussing it with the board the decision was made to postpone the event due to the fact that the field in its soggy condition would have gotten pretty torn up by the car and pedestrian traffic. As you know there is a tremendous amount of work that goes into events like this and the spectator turnout would have been low due to the weather. I think the officers made the right decision.

Now the task of trying to find a date to reschedule the Open that doesn't conflict with any other events in the area is proving to be most difficult. We told the companies that were solicited for donations that our three events were going to be sanctioned so we really need to sanction the Open all over again. The AMA has a protected draw area around sanctioned events. In the case of a class C event the draw area is a 100 mile radius. That means we will be the only event within 100 miles on that particular day.

Unfortunately due to the busy schedule in the spring and early summer that puts our best chance of sanctioning the event toward the end of July. The board will have to meet to determine the date and we will let you know.

### ***Field Trip:***

This month we are giving our cooks a well deserved month off and we are moving the meeting out to the Lawrence Airport in celebration of their 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary. They have asked us to be a part of their event with static displays and flight demonstrations. This is a tremendous opportunity for the club to gain some public exposure. I am told we will have our own area for display and flight activities with nearby parking. There is also a pancake feed going on starting at 8AM. We will have a short meeting around 9:30 am and be doing flight demonstrations from noon to 1 pm. There is a chance we may be able to fly at other times as well. Please bring an airplane or two for the static display, lawn chairs and ez ups if desired. Members who bring an airplane for static display will be eligible for a special fuel drawing the following month. If you fly at the airport on Saturday or at our own field for club weekend your name will go in for the regular club day fuel drawing.

I hope to see you all at the Lawrence Municipal Airport on Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup> and again at our second Family Night of the year on Tuesday the 19<sup>th</sup>. Gentle winds and soft landings,

~Patrick

# ***Jayhawk Float Fly***

***Radio Control Float Planes***

***Sat. June 27***

***By: Jayhawk Model Masters***

***Location: Bismarck Lake  
North Lawrence, KS***



***From Hi-Way 24-40, Go 1.1 Miles East On Lyon Street  
To N 9th Street, Then 0.3 Miles North TO Water***

***Landing Fee: \$15.00***

***Contest Director: Gary Rauckman 785-423-2700***

***Registration Starts @ 8:00 AM***

***Concessions & Facilities On Site***

***Spectators Welcome***



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