

Jayhawk Model Masters | AMA Club #2013 | January 2023

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#### Club Meeting Jan. 21

Six-Mile Chop House, 4931 W 6th St, Lawrence. KS 66049

11:00 a.m.: Lunch & socializing Noon: Business meeting

Club meetings—normally on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday** of the month <u>except:</u>

- No meeting in May or August
- June & September meetings a week early

#### 2023 Flying Events

May 13 – Jayhawk Open\*

May 27 - Rauckman Rally\*

June 17 - Blue Sky Squadron Fly In

June 24 – Jayhawk Float Fly (Clinton Lake)

July 22 - Jayhawk Fun Fly\*

Sept. 16 – Blue Sky Big Bird

Sept. 23 – Jayhawk Big Bird\*

Oct. 14 - FAE (Topeka) Brats Fly In

\*At Clinton International Model Airport (JMM, Lawrence)

**Newsletter Committee:** Dave Alexander (Ed. In Chief), Scott Stordahl and Glenn Minor

#### **2022 Club Officers**

President Mike Randel
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Vice Pres. Jim Morris

Sec./Treas. Mike Weinsaft

Field Safety Mo Belazrag

Board 3yr Patrick Deuser

Board 2yr John LaGesse

Board 1yr Phil Abbadessa

#### TIME TO RENEW!

#### **DUES CAN BE PAID ONLINE!**

Please go to our website, jayhawkmodelmasters.com, and click on "Membership".

# JANUARY MEETING RAFFLE PRIZE



Tower Hobbies Sport .46-.55 ARF 60" Built-up, precovered, glow or electric ALSO an Engine Test Stand



#### **December Club Meeting**

From notes taken by Jim Morris

The club lunch meeting was held at 6 Mile Chop House on Dec. 17, with 10 club members in attendance. In the absence of Scott Stordahl, VP Mike Randel called the meeting to order.



Jim Morris gave his final report as treasurer:

Beginning balance: Income (raffle & dues) Expenses (sign for field,

Zoom subscriptn.) Final bank balance

Net worth

\$5929.40

426.67

117.44 6214.63

\$6601.63

#### Safety Report (Glenn Minor):

Awareness of loose clothing Neckwarmer over scarf gloves with grippy dots Bomber style jacket

#### Field Manager:

Position announced and that he (soon-tobe former president Scott S.) took the day off to be at the game

No New Members

No Old Business

**New Business** 

Elections: Slate elected

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Discussion of the Build Contest Rules Rules from last year were not included 2 classes: Kit and ARF? moved to the next board meeting

New Year's Eve & New Year's Day Fly-In

Meet out there to set up on New Year's Eve: Tentatively 4:30pm (depends on weather)

Start at 10:30am on New Years Day Email to come out with more details before the event

#### Show & Tell

Patrick brought some old magazines (sorry, don't remember name) from the 1930's ? to show ad for Lincoln Aviation (George worked there in later years)

Patrick brought his new engine test stand for gas or glow engines. (Sorry, did not get a picture). (Someone suggested that this might make a nice raffle prize)

Glenn brought his engine test stand that he had made where he still had his recently won 46AX on it with a Dubro remote safety igniter (see below).



#### Raffle

Guilty party will remain nameless. (Editor's note: But his initials are J.M.) He selected the OS 46AX.

Apparently guilt prevented the winner from providing a photo of himself with his winnings.



#### **New Year's Events**

#### 1. New Year's Eve Fly In the New Year By Dave Alexander & Mike Weinsaft

Several members came out in the afternoon to help set up for the night's festivities, including running strings of Christmas lights down the sides of the N-S runway, and putting up a pair of Easy-Up tents with sides to use as a warming house.



Folks setting up included both Mikes (Randel and Weinsaft), Patrick D. and Scott S.; apologies to others unnamed who may have helped.

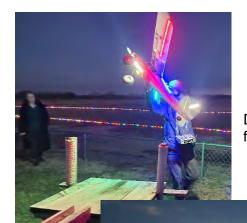
Some of those folks made a few flights before the sun went down. Glenn Minor flew his plane (the Revolver) and rumor has it he broke a prop.

As dusk fell, Dave Alexander and George Jones prepped their night-flyers and took a few twilight practice flights.





Dave about to fly at dusk

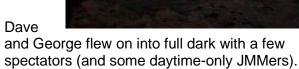


Dave returns from a dusk flight

prep-

night







for takeoff

About 7:30 or so, Dave and George ran out of batteries and got cold and went home.

Around 10:00 p.m., the third shift arrived (next page, Mike Weinsaft photos):

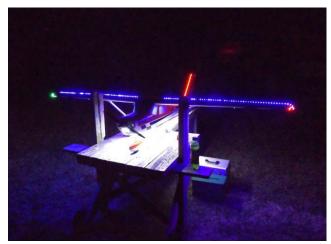




Spencer Keith's Timber



Greg Inkman's ??



Patrick Deuser's Cessna 150

Mike Weinsaft flew but neglected to get a photo of his own lit-up Cessna 170.

*Mike's 3<sup>rd</sup>-shift report:*Some tips for night flyers ....

- \* Make sure to charge up all da batteries; Flight (motor, receiver), transmitter, lighting system, lanterns & or flashlights
- \* Wear plenty of warm clothes and warm shoes

- \* Have your lighting system so it is easy to tell which Quadrant you are seeing your plane from
- \* If possible fly a plane that is inherently stable, or one that has AS3X or flight stabilization
- \* If possible get in some recent flights to make sure she flies the way you remember
- \* Don't fly alone, as someone else can be very helpful should things get out of kilter.

Spencer brought two fully charged up lanterns. They were very valuable thruout night flying and "breaking down" New Year's Eve. He deserves kudos....



Patrick heading to the runway

I really wish I'd gotten some of Patrick's Cessna in the air; It rocked, both in colors and flight.

Late shift fliers included Spencer, Greg, Patrick, and me. We had some spectators also; Hudson Shuck and family. Greg, Patrick, and I were all in the air at the Gong of midnight. (I mean bombs of Midnight)





#### 2. New Year's Day Freeze Fly

New Year's Day was unusually warm for a "Freeze Fly", but a bit windy. Warm here being relative to normal Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>, still a bit nippy for flying.

Quite a few members and visitors came out to fly (or spectate). The folks returning from New Year's Eve included Patrick, Scott, Spencer, George, Greg and Glenn. A few additional daytime flyers included Mo Belazrag and John LaGesse, and unconfirmed reports suggest there may have been other spectators as well.

Mike Randel brought taco soup to help the attendees celebrate the new year.



Here's our fearless ex-leader and current *Field Manager* about to fly his Contender.



Scott also flew his Ultra Hots, apparently with a snazzy, new FrSky transmitter.



The Hots taking off



Scott lands the Hots as George looks on

Greg Inkman, honcho of FAE in Topeka, congratulated JMM for a pair of successful New Year events and thanked us for putting them on.

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Mystery Airplane
Can you identify this Airplane? The answer will be in the next newsletter. Submitted by George W Jones

#### Rumors from Below the Dam

By Scott Stordahl

Welcome to the New Year and my new monthly article.

You already know I am no longer the President and have volunteered as this year's 'mower crew chief'. But you may not know the new President has changed the title to 'Field Manager'. I can only assume he has done this to expand the role into more responsibilities. Did I mention the new Grand Poobah is a great delegator? Trust me he is.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the mowing crew or learning more details on what this entails, please let me know, at this time we only have one member and will need more.



Now back to our regularly scheduled article. What is the latest rumor? Well, rumor has it, there will be two classes in the build contest this year, ARF and kit or scratch-built, with different prizes for each class, details will be revealed at this Saturday's meeting and maybe even in this issue of the newsletter.

Another rumor, Google spy satellites are monitoring activities at Clinton International Model Airport. That sounds more like a conspiracy theory but bear with me. Recently I was using the Google Earth Pro app, if you haven't used it yet it is amazing. It gives the option of sliding a date bar and showing pictures taken over the past decade or so. I slid to the past and noticed a picture of our 2021 Big Bird event. Did you attend? Do you recognize your car or tent? There sure are a lot of Big Birds on the field. The swap meet area is full to the NW of the

shed, and I see Gary Rauckman brought his trailer to the event.



This satellite image certainly is stunning, I guess these high-resolution shots are responsible for putting the final nails in the coffin of the SR71 Blackbird.

What's going to be available on the web in the coming decade? Will you be able to read the FAA number on your plane? The rumor I heard is they already can.



# 2023 JMM BUILD CONTEST

## **WHEN**

May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Jayhawk Open

### **WHERE**

# Clinton International Model Airport

1205 East 1000 Road, Lawrence, KS 66047

# PRIZE FOR KIT/SCRATCH BUILD CATEGOTY Great Planes Super Skybolt Kit



# OPEN TO EVERYONE

### **RULES**

- + Build any aircraft you like from kit, plans, personal design or even ARF.
- + Start a new project or complete one already under construction, just finish and show off at the 2023 Jayhawk Open.
- + Contest aircraft are required to fly at the event or prove the plane has flown before.

## **JUDGING**

All registered pilots will vote for their favorite entry of each category, both ARF and kit/scratch build. Separate prizes will be awarded for each category. ARF prize is the Tower Hobbies Sport.

