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The meeting for Sept will be on Tuesday, Sept 12th, 2006, at KCRC field on Williams Road at 7:00 PM.

FOR WHAT IT"S WORTH

I thought you folks might appreciate this. I recently got an email from Gene Waters that included a picture of what a former member of KCRC is doing now. Joe Parrott is probably the closest to being a Master Builder of anyone I know. He was in KCRC when I rejoined in 1990 and from the first time I saw his work, I knew that I was going to keep an eye on what he was working on. He built from kits and he built from his own plans, and if I had to vote, the models he built from his own plans exceeded anything I ever saw in modeling. The models were outstanding in every detail. Joe liked the big stuff, and the picture here is one I took of his quarter scale Fokker DVII that he designed. The cockpit was complete with instruments and with the pilot's hands on the working stick, and the engine was fully detailed. Joe fabricated



everything on the model with the possible exception of the pilot and wheels, and I'm not sure he didn't do them also! Joe did the paint work on the fabric covering by hand. As you can see, the camoflage is perfect.

Joe also built a quarter scale Fokker triplane that he and Phil Cope took to Joe Nall and flew. Both the models were flown at KCRC field and both were extremely realistic in the air. Very scale like and majestic

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is the only word to describe them.

His interest also extended to heavy metal warplanes of WWII. He designed and built a big Focke Wolfe 190A from scratch. It also was an excellent example of modeling.

I've always believed that a modeler never changes his stripes. That if you enjoy doing the work on models you will keep on modeling. Joe dropped out of KCRC last year because he was burned out and getting a little tired of it. So what is he doing now? WOW!!



And he is still building them big. The track that the train engine is sitting on is four feet long! You don't get this one on an HO gauge track!.....Jim

There were two Pattern contests during August. The Ben Oliver Memorial AMA contest was held on August 5th and 6th at KCRC field. Results and pictures on page 4 and 5. The RC club in Chattanooga held their first ever SPA contest, the Chattanooga Choo Choo Challenge, on August 19th and 20th. Several KCRCers participated. The results that I have for our guys are listed on page 2. There are also a couple of pictures that Gary Lindner took while visiting and they are on page 2.

AT THE FIEL between Warren and Lamar about the power required to boost this big baby up into the wild blue and it sure takes more than the little bit I use on my Mini Ultra Stik. His batteries are large 5000 meb upits. He flue on about 27

Lots of excitement at KCRC field on August 5th and 6th. We hosted the annual Ben Oliver Memorial AMA pattern contest. Scott Anderson has been working hard for several months to get this one done, and from the looks of Saturdays activities, it is a success. There were several of the familiar faces we see at the SPA events but



I saw some guys that I hadn't seen before. Also I saw some models to die for. There were two huge FAI models flying on electric power! There seems to be an increasing amount of interest in electrics. Тор competitors Cameron Smith

models I looked at, and they were pretty impressive. Here are the two models. In the first picture, Cameron Smith is kneeling behind his beauty, and in the second, Lamar is adjusting something on his and Warren Oliver is looking on. What I think Lamar is adjusting is the prop, which appears to be a variable pitch. What I thought was remarkable was that the prop is attached to the back of the brushless motor and the motor is in front of the prop. The spinner then covers the motor. It apparently works quite well this way. I was listening to the conversation



batteries are large 5000 mah units. He flys on about 37 volts and up to 53 amp and if my math is correct, that is getting up towards 2 kilowatts. Have you ever considered how much power in watts you use in an hour on these hot summer days cooling your house? I think it's getting close!

Chattanooga RC club had it's first ever SPA contest on the weekend of August 19th and 20th, and several of the KCRC SPA flyers gave it a go. Ed Hartley,



Dennis Hunt, Don Eiler, Phil Spelt, Mike Miller and Karl Gerth competed and did quite well. They were expecting twenty five flyers to compete but I don't know how many actually

showed up. In the results that I have, Ed and Dennis came in second and third respectively behind Bruce Underwood in the Senior Expert Div. Phil Spelt came in sixth in Sportsman, and Don Eiler came in second, Karl Gerth

came in fourth and **Mike Miller** came in sixth in the Novice class.

lť s nice to be in first place, but it's also great just



to get listed on the leader board . If it was easy, everybody would win. KCRC is proud of all of our competitors.



Congratulations to all. Pictures by Gary Lindner are of Don, Mike and Karl in the top pic. Ed and Dennis in the next, and Phil in the last one.....Jim

AUGUST MEETING MINUTES

Meeting was called to order by KCRC President Phil Spelt at 6:59 PM, August 8th, at KCRC Field. There were 16 members present.

Minutes from the July meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter.

KCRC Treasurer Joel Hebert gave the treasurer's report. There were a few transactions in the time between meetings, but the treasury is in good shape. No financial details will be printed in the newsletter. If you want details, come to the meetings. Joel's report was approved.

Old Business

KCRC VP Gary Lindner gave a report on the picnic we had on July 15th at the field. It was a rousing success! The club furnished the primary food while the fixins were brought by the attendees. There were about sixty folks who came and the food was abundant. Every one left happy.

Phil pointed out that there were hamburgers and hotdogs left from the picnic that were kept frozen and used at the AMA pattern event by our club chefs, Paul and Tasha Funk. (We owe these folks a huge tubfull of thanks). Apparently there is still food frozen that can be used later (see new business).

Phil Spelt gave report on the AMA contest we had on August 5th and 6th. The profit from the event was less than seventy dollars so it will be added to our treasury instead of our usual donation to the Hospice. There were eighteen flyers who attended and competed. Scott Anderson,CD, did a good job welcoming the contestants by hosting an electric event on Friday evening before the contest, and having some finger food to go with the fellowship.

The results of the contest are on page four along with Scott's comments and there are pictures by Scott on page 5.

The only bad thing about the contest was the accident on Saturday involving KCRC member Dennis Hunt, who got his arm into the prop of a running engine. It was a bloody injury requiring some quick help. Scott Anderson, who is a paramedic, was johnny on the spot with emergency treatment and transported Dennis to the emergency room at a nearby hospital. Dennis was back at the contest watching on Sunday and was doing OK. On a

safety note, Dennis has been very active in club contests and flying for a very long time and knows that you have to keep your focus around an operating engine. You can never get careless or you'll get bit.

Phil mentioned that Middle Tennessee has formed an association of about six clubs in order to plan events. We are not eligible to join because we're not in Middle Tennessee but we still try to not plan events to coincide with one of theirs.

The Marines will again have their

MudRun at the north end of the field. They want to use our pavilion as a registration site. It will be on August 26th. Starting at 5:00 AM, they should be done by noon on that day. The field will be closed for flying until about noon.

New Business

A discussion was initiated about the winter meeting place. Deane Hills Rec Center has become troublesome in that the room we have been meeting in for 30 years has become so busy that we stand around in the lobby until the last minute and hope that the room hasn't been scheduled for something else. There were many suggestions but the result was that there will be a search by several people for a better place. Deane Hills was free and so we can't complain too much. The search will be for a place in Knox County.

A discussion was started about planning another club picnic. The members was enthusiastic in having one. The present plan is for one in October, which is a beautiful time at KCRC field. Problem will be finding a weekend.

MODEL OF THE MONTH



TJ Albert brought his NO NAME, which started life as an electric, built by Steve Mattison. TJ put on an OS .48 4stroke. Flies good. Second

entry was a control line scratch built by Mike Jennings. A good looking P-51 sport scale. ABC stock .40 2stroke power. TJ won in a very close vote.

CRASH OF THE MONTH

The only entry was Phil Spelt who lost his Viper on the

Thursday before the AMA pattern contest. The engine is shown. Oh, My! Phil won the glue.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:47 PM Minutes taken by KCRC Secretary Jim Scarbrough



BEN OLIVER MEMORIAL PATTERN

Well, another Ben Oliver Memorial Pattern Classic is in the books. I would like to say "Thank You" to those KCRC club members that came out to support this annual event. For those who came out you saw some of the top guys in the US flying at the KCRC field. Most of them are back from the AMA NATS and brought home the wood.

Friday afternoon pilots started showing up around 2 pm and they took to the air for some practice, we had a late afternoon storm blow thru and then it cleared off and the Friday evening activities started the mini e-pattern meet. Any small electric using a 3-cell lipo was eligible. Cameron Smith, Bryan Kennedy and Marcio Jorge flew the Expert pattern and Phil Spelt was going to fly Novice however when getting ready found that his motor was running backwards. These little planes flew well and during the contest the food platters and refreshments where out for all to enjoy. Bryan was into his backup plane after Cameron was doing a test flight and the motor came out, Hmmm maybe a way to eliminate the competition...

The results are as follows, 1st Cameron Smith, 2nd Marcio Jorge 3rd Bryan Kennedy All three pilots receive Tanic 3s 2080 mah packs.

Saturday morning started out with a bit of fog, the 18 pilots gathered for a quick pilots meeting, and then it was off to fly. Saturday was going well; the afternoon brought very hot and humid conditions. In the 4th round, Dennis Hunt who just returned from a trek into the woods to retrieve his Viper was starting his motor. Then there was a yell for help from Marc Sobolewski, Dennis had a bad laceration to the right arm, Lamar Blair (FAI Pilot) was close by and put direct pressure on the wound and I went from CD mode into my work mode (emergency medicine – Paramedic) the bleeding was controlled. Myself and Marc Sobolewski transported Dennis to the local hospital via my Durango. A quick phone call on the way had an ER room waiting for us upon arrival...

The contest finished up with four rounds flown, and Sportsman had five rounds done. Saturday night a group of pilots including myself and Ed Hartley and Ed Miller and family went to dinner, and had good times sharing stories and the day's activities at the local Texas Road House.

Sunday many of the guys put in several flights prior to starting to fly the contest. While the contest was running Dennis Hunt showed up to watch the mid morning activities and was feeling better.

While the results were being tallied there was a drawing for some cool products and even a plane from Great Planes, all went home with something. The results are as follows:

Sportsman: 1 Marcio Jorge 2 Dean Funk 3 Don Eiler (KCRC) Intermediate:

1 Jon Lowe

2 William Kite

3 Warren Oliver (KCRC)

Advanced:

This was a tight race all weekend between Frank Chick and Bryan Kennedy, it came down to the last round, and the winner was only .15313 points.

> 1 Frank Chick 2 Bryan 3 Don Peck Masters: 1 Ed Miller (KCRC) 2 Ed (ROHO) Hartley (KCRC) FAI: Both flying electric 1 Cameron Smith

2 Lamar Blair

There was another give away to promote pattern flying in the club, this was a Showtime 90 4D plane and it was given to the highest placing KCRC Sportsman pilot. Don Eiler who placed 3rd won this plane, Great job Don!

I would like to say "Thank You" to the following companies for their product donations

HobbyTown - Knoxville TN This is the third year that Gary Phillips has supported our contest !

Tanicpacks.com RCAccessory.com APC Micro Fastener Tru-Turn RTL Fastener SR Battery Great Planes

"Thank you" to Paul Funk and wife running the concession stand. The food was great. Also "Thank You" to Joel who sat in the heat and did all the scoring and Assistant CD Phil Spelt who helped get the prizes and did a lot of the leg work.

Scott Anderson, Contest Director



