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Summer Time Safety.....

By Scott Anderson Safety Officer

As we are in the middle of the flying season I will try to do a bit of catching up.. Let's look at some summer safety for the field and just around the house.. The following suggestions can make your fun in the sun safer:

1. **Drink lots of water.** Start before you get thirsty. Beer and soda will actually dehydrate you. One old trick is to fill plastic water jugs $\frac{3}{4}$ full and freeze them. This will provide you with cold water as it melts.

2. **Shade.** Anytime you are working on or adjusting your model, try to do it in some shade. When the air is hot and dry, you can perspire a lot without noticing it and that will dehydrate you fast. A hat is a must.

3. **Sun screen** with a high SPF rating should be part of your routine.

4. **The "buddy system."** Never go flying by yourself. And always let someone know when you wander off to recover a model. Make sure someone has a cell phone and knows the fields address, posted in several locations around the field.

5. **Drink lots of water!** –Gatoraid is good, however dilute it in $\frac{1}{2}$ equal parts water and Gator aid, and you can freeze this also!

Here are the different stages of heat related issues:

HEAT CRAMPS: Conscious and alert, profuse sweating, muscle pain or cramps, nausea, vomiting, may be hypotensive. (Low blood pressure) nausea, vomiting, muscle cramps, usually perspiring, pale clammy skin, pulse rapid-weak, may be hypotensive, may experience syncope. (Passing out)

HEAT STROKE: *Hot, flushed, dry skin.*

Strong, bounding pulse, Headache, dizziness, dry mucous membranes, coma and seizures often follows rapidly.

THIS IS A MEDICAL EMERGENCY!! Call 911!!

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Here is what to do for each issue:

HEAT CRAMPS: 1) Cool person off, cool rags to groin, neck and arm pit area 2) Gator aid cut in half with water, or just water ,if not nauseated!! 3) Do not massage cramping muscles, let person stretch their muscles.

Heat Exhaustion: Same as above do not give any fluids by mouth!

Heat Stroke: Cool person immediately and call 911!!

Watch out for nausea and vomiting with all these.

Be safe and have fun.....Scott

KCRC Calendar of Events

Next Meeting July 14th at KCRC field 7:00PM

Hangar Flys See Minutes,Website for schedule

Harriman Warbirds on June 20th

House Mountain Pattern contest Aug 29-30th.

MINUTES, JUNE 2009

President Dennis Drone called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, June 9 at the KCRC field. There were 31 members present.

Minutes for the May meeting were approved as printed in the June Newsletter.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

The Treasurer's Report was given by Joel Hebert and approved. A copy of the report is available from Joel.

Dennis Drone reported that all material is on hand for the electrical refurbishment. He is looking for time to do the work.

Gary Lindner reported that the safety fence refurbishment is complete. Cost was less than \$250.

BUSINESS

SPA Contest – Dennis Hunt solicited assistance for the event. Gary Lindner, Jim Scarbrough, Randy Phillips, George Holcomb, Doug Armitage, Phil Spelt and others volunteered for various support tasks.

Hangar Flys – Dennis Drone presented a proposal to charge a \$5 landing fee for future events. After considerable discussion a motion was made, seconded, and approved to charge the \$5 fee for each family flying at the event. Proceeds will go to the club treasury. There will be no charge for spectators. The fee will apply to club members as well as visitors.

Alternate Web Site – Jeff Prosis reported that the site is still very close to going on-line. Hosting has become an issue. He will work to get it up and running as real-job workload permits.

NEW BUSINESS

Safety Officer – Ralph Colon has stepped down as Safety Officer. Scott Anderson has been appointed to the position. Scott will present a Safety Rules and First Aid review as the July meeting program.

Club AMA Charter – Dennis Drone has completed the Charter renewal on an expedited basis.

OTHER

Phil Cope reported that he, Jeff Prosis, and Charles Wilson participated in the Chattanooga warbirds fly-in. And the Harriman warbirds fly-in is scheduled for June 20.

Bud Weisser reported that he is working with Jenny Thompson on disposal of Doll's model aircraft items. Bud will publish an inventory of equipment on

the club web site. He's aiming at pricing being 70% of the best "street price". Unsold items will go on eBay.

MODEL OF THE MONTH

George Holcombe displayed a Jesky Osiris 3-D indoor model and a Kyosho FW-190 with electric propulsion.

Gary Aumaugher displayed a scratch-built "Stick", also with electric propulsion.

Capt. Bud Weisser proudly presented his eBay-based Aircat model with a SK .46 engine.

Mike and Doug Armitage presented an Eaglet 15, a scratch-built model made from plans reduced 50% from the Goldberg Eaglet 50. Power is an OS .15.

Mike was the winner.

CRASH OF THE MONTH

Capt. Bud Weisser recounted his latest escapade with the Dreampipe/Drainpipe and a too short runway.

James Vasquez described the flyaway of his nitro helicopter. Apparently the belt drive to the tail rotor failed. The model was lost to the east of the runway. James was the "winner" of COM.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 PM.

PROGRAM

Jeff Prosis made a presentation and ground demonstration of jet turbine-powered models. Ah, the smell of jet fuel!

Minutes submitted by Don Eiler, KCRC Secretary.

SPA Contest

We have had some very iffy weather lately but Saturday and Sunday were both dry and we had mild breezes down the runway. There was rain just to the west on Saturday but thirty four contestants flew about four complete rounds before calling it a day. Sunday was also good and another round was flown. The results of the flying can be found on the SPA website so I won't waste any space here.

Mostly favorable comments were heard as most of the flyers were familiar with KCRC field and most appreciate the beautiful setting. I left about noon

Sunday but at that point I don't think anyone had had a problem except Bill Dodge. Bill had a bad weekend. On Friday, while practicing, he lost power to his receiver and he had a flyaway. After a long chase into the land across the river, he recovered his model, repaired the apparent damage and flew on Saturday with it. During an outside loop in an early round some unknown damage manifested itself and his wing collapsed.

On the other hand, it was a great weekend for Mike Miller and Ed Hartley as they came in second in their respective class. Unfortunately, they were the only KCRCers out of the eight who competed to place in the top three.. There are pictures on the last page of some general interest scenes at the field over the weekend.....Jim

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By Gary Lindner

It has been busy at KCRC, at least for me and a handful of others, picnic, safety fence replaced, Senior Pattern contest completed. I would like to thank everyone who had anything to do with any of the above. Your help and interest was greatly appreciated.

I hope that everyone is getting to take advantage of the dryer weather and getting to come out and fly as much as you can. We had a fly away at the field last week so I would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone to check the status of your batteries on a regular basis. Do not assume that your batteries will make it thru 4 or 5 flights, check them. It only takes a second and is well worth it considering what the loss of an airplane and its equipment is going to be. Don't wait for the low battery alarm on the transmitter to alert you, check it before each flight. I'm not sure this was the problem the other day but it is one way that it can happen.

Scott Anderson has been appointed the new Safety coordinator at KCRC. We all need to try to help him by paying closer attention to what we do at the field. We all know the rules and safety should be everyone's number 1 priority while at the field. It is everyone's responsibility not just the Safety Coordinators job.

Next month at the meeting Scott will be going over the AMA safety rules, plus the KCRC field rules, he

will be discussing first aid and the proper use of the items in the first aid kit. His past programs in first aid have been very informative and we all can benefit from this type training. One never knows when you might need to put it to use.

Hope to see Ya'll at the field and at the meetings. Without you there would be no KCRC, so come on out and take part.Gary

From the Presidents Corner

Summer is upon us and flying is in full swing. I would like to welcome Scott Anderson as our new Safety Officer. During our July meeting, Scott will go over field rules as well as Emergency medical procedures. Please plan on coming so all of us can go over these often forgotten areas. When flying at KCRC, please follow field and AMA rules. When in doubt, don't. If our Safety Officer or any other member advises you of a field or safety infraction, please extend them the courtesy they deserve and discontinue the infraction. If you feel that you have been improperly advised of an infraction, discontinue the suspected action and ask for clarification. Safety is no accident! **Dennis Drone KCRC President**

Model of the Month Contest

The Model of the Month continues to be one of the most popular events of the meeting each month. The June meeting was no exception as we had four very



nice entries. First picture is Mike Armatage with his

MOM winner Eaglet. Scratch built from Goldberg plans.. In the next picture, George Holcombe presents

awe inspiring "Aircat" he aquired off the Ebay auction and powered by an SK .46 engine



The next few pictures are from the SPA contest. As you can see, there was a pretty good crowd there for the festivities. We started off with an invocation and Joel Hebert sang an impressive version of the national anthem. Dennis had a pilots meeting and the show got on the road at about 9:30. There was a fair amount of morning haze at first and visibility was a bit of a problem, but no one lost their models, thank goodness. The day got much brighter as the round progressed, and all together, it was a very nice contest.....Jim



his Jesky Osirus 3D model for consideration. In the next picture we see Gary Aumaugher holding his beautiful scratch built Stik wannabe powered by an electric motor, and in the last picture we see the inimitable Captain Bud Weissner and his latest, an



