



## Newsletter

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## THIS'N THAT

► **“ The second day of July, 1776, will be the most memorable epoch in the history of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance, by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations, from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward forever more. “**

On July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1776, John Adams wrote to Abigail, his wife, the above letter. The Declaration of Independence was signed and approved by Congress the next day and July 4<sup>th</sup> is the day that the celebration John talked about is recognized.

Let us take a moment and remember the great sacrifices made by the folks who bled and died to preserve that independence.

► **CubFest 2018** has come and gone again and it was a huge success. KCRC president Ed Dumas sent the following note:

“ The **CubFest** at KCRC on Saturday, June 2, 2018 was a great success! We had 18 pilots officially registered and we had 11 folks flying their Cubs in the All Cubs Fly event, which went off without a hitch. Thanks to everyone who participated and helped make this event fun and safe for all!

We had Cubs in all sizes, from Craig Dieter's micro-scale Cubs, to Mike Foley's 1/3 scale PA-18 Super Cub. Mike is from Harriman and flew his Cub most realistically all day, including a dead-stick landing that he handled perfectly. Thanks to all the folks from Harriman who came out to help support our event!

Thanks to John Basalone who bought the food and setup everything, and to Charles Wilson who cooked the hamburgers and hot dogs, and thanks to Matt Conser for donating quite a few hot dogs for lunch. And, of course, a big thanks to Jerel Zarestky for bringing his internal combustion-powered ice cream maker that was a huge hit!

Thanks to Rick Thompson for providing aerial photography and footage of the events with his DJI Mavic Pro. A distinctively non-Cub formation flight of two F-86 Sabre jets was made by Gary Swigart and Frank Allemand that really primed everyone for the festivities to follow!

The weather cooperated reasonably well. The rain held off until the All Cubs Fly event was finished, then it let loose for a bit while several folks were trying to pack up.

Bob Heydasch took a very nice set of photos, here:

<https://photos.google.com/share/AF1QipN2iC8FabcT1uhX7o0su22jLtsoUym7ef9adcMwbnhQ2CFcnLVGY3hBnCG0ugdWg?key=WmRCUHB6RXNPVHzqdGM3VnpVN1lZX2pGUTRTRjhR>

and Jeff Prosis had several great ones as well, here:

[https://1drv.ms/f/s!Av8u\\_NjzP1I4j-AWD-86xUR8aPYIuw](https://1drv.ms/f/s!Av8u_NjzP1I4j-AWD-86xUR8aPYIuw)

Another plus was coverage by WBIR, Channel 10 that aired at 6:00 pm on Saturday night. For those that didn't get to see it, here is a link to the Channel 10 news story:

<https://www.wbir.com/article/news/local/knox-county-radio-control-hosts-its-second-annual-cubfest/51-560897261>

Everyone had a great time, and there were no Cub crashes all day. Overall it was a great success!

Looking forward to next year! ....-Ed “

► **A couple of the photos** from Jeff and Robert are shown below. Look up the albums at the addresses above.....





*Jeff Prorise sent this one of the participants and planes*



*Heydasch photo; Pretty good turn out. Pilots meeting.*



*Heydasch photo; Getting ready for the All Cub Fly. In the upper corner is Rick Thompson's drone taking pictures.*



*Pic by Jeff; Lining up for ice cream made by Jerel and his magnificent ice cream machine!*



*Pic by Bob Heydasch; Mike Foley's big Cub*

► **Heard from Doc Shacklett** that, due to mishaps and illness, none of our local SAM participants were able to attend the recent SAM event in Ohio. Doc



had no transportation, L.A. Johnston was ill and Jeff Elliot had a mishap with the model he intended to fly. They do hope to get to the Tennessee SAM event in Cedar Hills, Tennessee in July, and they all plan to go to the SAM Champs in Muncie in September..

► The First Baptist Church of Lenoir City had its annual Cruise-in on Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, and I didn't feel up to being there. It's the first one I've missed.

In the beginning, members of KCRC and the Harriman Eagles set up a display of models and flew demo flights in the two soccer fields ( seen at left in the picture below ). For the last few years, the Blount County Model Aviators have hosted the RC display. Several members of KCRC have brought and flown RC models over the years. Phil Cope, Frank Allemand and Phil Spelt are three I've seen there.. Friend David Davis, a member of First Baptist and the Blount County club, sent me a note and a couple pictures taken by club member Denny Wren with his drone of the activities

Unfortunately for the flyers, the church has installed lights ( on high poles ) for night games at the church and this was probably the last year for flying demonstrations..



## KCRC Meeting Minutes 6/12/2018

By Rick Thompson

The June 2018 KCRC meeting was held at the field. President Ed Dumas called the meeting to order at 7:15PM. There were 29 in attendance – 21 of which are current members and 8 guest/potential new members.

Ed recognized potential new members Jim Duke, David Pinkard and Cristel Pinkard (David and Cristel are husband/wife and both potential members).

The May minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

Michael Catlin gave the Treasurer's report which was accepted by unanimous voice vote.

Field committee chairman John Basalone

reported that although the "short grass" area had been cut today, Allen Hunt had been too busy to cut the fields for hay yet, but that it should be cut soon. John also asked that everyone please help by emptying the flight line trash cans into the larger can under the shed anytime they are noticed as being full.

Safety officer Denny Evans was not present to give a safety report.

Ed gave a post **CubFest** report. There were 21 paid entrants in the event and 11 Cubs flew in the all-fly. The event turned a small profit of approximately \$20+ dollars for the club treasury.

Phil Spelt reported that the SPA pattern contest will be held August 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. Phil will CD the event and Jimmy Russell will assist. Phil will need volunteers to help with the event when the date gets closer.

Phil Spelt announced that the Marine's Mud Run is set for September 15<sup>th</sup>. Nolan Sharbel is his contact person with the Marines. John Basalone will be coordinating with Allen Hunt for field mowing prior to the event.

The Community Outreach Committee did not have a report, however Michael Catlin suggested that we might should consider participating with displays at area events such as the one that recently took place at Worlds Fair Park.

Starting under the heading of "New Business", Ed suggested that for safety, everyone give special consideration and accommodation to newer low-time pilots. In some cases, their instructor may need to step in and offer additional assistance.

Ed turned the floor over to Kevin and Evan Turner (father/son) and their entourage including Mitch Johnson, Sam Pankratz, and Kal Reifsnyder. For the benefit of those who attended tonight's meeting, this group set up a temporary Quad Copter Racing Course on the runway for demonstrating their truly amazing flying abilities. **Evan competes in Quad Racing events around the world and has an event coming up in Munich Germany soon.**

The group, which has about 30 or so "active" members, is looking for a flying site where they can set up a permanent race course and would be interested in joining KCRC if a suitable area could be designated as such.

After a discussion about the size requirement, it was determined that the area South of the runway, bound by the driveway and Williams Bend Road, might be of suitable size. Randy Philipps introduced a motion that that area be designated for that purpose. The motion carried. Kevin will develop a plan for the course and it will be discussed in a future meeting. The members of the

group are already AMA members.

Paul Funk reported that the Boat Club he reported on last month has not yet had a chance to look at the KCRC site but will do so soon.

There were no **Model of the Month** entrants, but Gary Swigart showed his new F-4 Phantom EDF and Steve Bayless showed his new Beechcraft Barron. Neither plane has flown yet.

Gary Swigart won **Crash of the Month** for the unfortunate loss of his BAE Hawk EDF.

..... **Minutes taken by Rick Thompson, KCRC secretary**



*Illustration 1: Gary Swigart's F-4 Phantom*



*Illustration 2: Steve Bayless's Beechcraft Baron*

► Here are some excerpts from a letter Ed Dumas sent to KCRC members concerning drone racing at KCRC field.

“Hi KCRC! For those who were at the meeting on Tuesday (6-12) of this week this will be a recap, but for those that weren't at the meeting, I want to let everyone know about a significant development that occurred at our club meeting this past Tuesday.

As everyone should be aware, KCRC is looking to expand its community outreach, grow its ranks, and establish itself as an "RC Environment", not just simply a model airplane club. We are working to encourage anyone with an RC vehicle that flies, floats, or drives to consider doing it at KCRC!

After talking to the Turners ( see minutes ), it became apparent that KCRC can provide a home for their group and provide mutually beneficial help for KCRC.

After some discussion, a motion was made to allow a permanent drone course to be constructed at KCRC in the area bounded by the entrance road and the western field boundary. This area is relatively flat and is large enough to accommodate a standard drone racing course that can greatly benefit the local drone racing folks..

Michael Catlin has created a map of the area where the proposed drone course will go, as well as an area where we propose to add an RC car area for running cars and trucks, which is attached. I've directed Kevin and Evan to finalize the design for the permanent drone racing course.

The biggest upshot of this is we expect an influx of new members, perhaps as many as 20-30 initially, but remember there are nearly 300 members on the Facebook group. Also, the drone racers are already AMA members, as the MultiGP (Multi-rotor Grand Prix) is a SIG (special interest group) of the AMA.

We don't have a hard timeline for when the new course will be ready, but I suspect progress will be rapid as the design is finalized. We have coordinated with Allen Hunt, the farmer who cuts the majority of the grass for hay, and with John Basalone, who cuts grass for the flying areas so that everyone is aware of what is going on and everything will be accommodated when it comes time to mow grass around the permanent course.

Ed Dumas, KCRC President

