The Newsletter of the Mid-Hudson Modelmasters

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2021 Club Officers

President: Kent Wien Secretary: Larry Kunz Sgt. at Arms: Flavio Ambrosini Vice President: Scott Fellin Treasurer: Tom Eng

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# **Club Calendar**

## Coming Up:

- <u>CLUB MEETING</u>: Saturday, September 11, at our field. Watch our google group for time.
- <u>Chicken Fun Fly: Saturday, Oct. 2</u> At our flying field. Watch for email via our google group for details.
- October Wing Tips articles & photo submissions due, Thurs., Oct. 7: Send your submissions to wingtips@modelmasters.us Due date is first Thursday of each month.

## **Other Events:**

- MONTHLY MEETINGS: Watch your email for dates.
- <u>OUTDOOR FLYING SESSIONS AT WEST ROAD FIELD</u> Every Saturday Morning, weather permitting. Social distancing is practiced.

## **MEETING MINUTES – August 14, 2021**

- + Field meting Called by president Kent Wien @ 10:30
  - Next meeting is Saturday Sept 11, at the field.
- + Treasurer's report: in absentia by Tom Eng
  - \$2120.60
  - 2021 Membership now at 40.
  - Nick Batson and his two juniors, Anna-bell & amp; Noah have joined the club !
- + New business :
  - Continued discussion from last meeting regarding 2 annual parties, or 3.

The consensus seems to be to do 2 parties/fun flies at the field. Spring & amp; Fall.

(I don't think we put it to a formal vote)

- The "Summer fun fly"; tentatively scheduled for Oct 2
  - \* No guests again, due to covid model D.
  - \* Bob Santoro will coordinate, and will arrange for Chicken dinners.
  - \* Brad Quick will run the flying contests.
  - \* Other members, please be ready to assist Bob with whatever he needs !
- Field maintenance:
  - \* We need to work on the road.
  - \* Paul Ollivett will ask Pleasant Valley if they would provide some " item 4"
  - \* Maybe paint a center line on the landing strip.
  - \* Kill weeds and patch asphalt ?
  - \* Schedule a work party in Oct or November ?
  - \* Someone mentioned that the AMA issues "flying site improvement grants"; but we made no commitment to apply for one.
- + Show & amp; Tell :
  - Bill Bolitho got a plane from old member Jim Wood, but got one wrong wing half.
    - He is making a mirror image of the correct wing..

## Chicken Fun-Fly October 2, 2021



Save the date, October 2, 2021 to participate in our 1st fall chicken fun-fly. Because of the pandemic we moved our winter auction to the spring and combined it with a fun-fly. Our normally scheduled spring BBQ/fun-fly has been moved to the fall at which time we will be obtaining BBQ chicken dinners from the El Gallito restaurant in Poughkeepsie. A series of aeronautical challenges that will appeal to all skill levels are being developed by Brad. As in the past this event promises to be a very fun filled day where pilots can demonstrate their skills and combat competition sometimes results in mid-air collisions with debris scattering the field.

As we get closer to the event I will provide more details and seek volunteers for assistance. I will also poll the membership to determine participation as well as the desire to purchase a chicken dinner.

The success of our events is determined by your participation. I hope many of you can attend.

Happy flying, Bob

"If you can walk away from a landing, it's a good landing. If you can use the aircraft the next day, it's an outstanding landing" by Chuck Yeager

## **Member Stuff**

**Larry Kunz** - I bought a Turbo Timber Evolution in July. It comes with floats which I decided I would never use on the plane.... So I made a boat ! It has two methods of steering:

1) the fold up rudders that came with it (rudder channel- left stick)

2) The motor turns side to side (aileron channel - right stick)

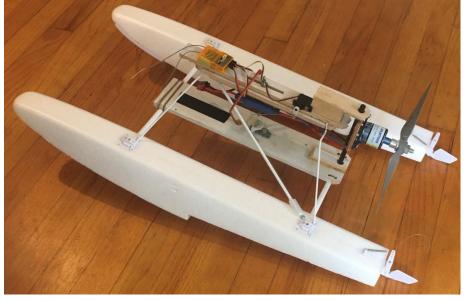
The motor can also be adjusted to tilt up or down, since the last boat I made would drive the bow

down on acceleration. I haven't tried it on water yet, but it runs great on wet grass ! (Motor steering only) It turns on a dime, but will flip if turns away too aggressive !

Note: I quickly stripped the gears on the motor turning servo (an old HorizonHobby special)

A Hitec HS-65 was a vast improvement !

I'll report results of on the water tests in the next issue.



## FOR SALE: Domenick Fusca, <u>domenickfusca@gmail.com</u>

I am selling my Piper cub. Ready to Fly (RTF) using your Spectrum radio. Included are 2-6 cell batteries and additional prop, \$95. Slow flyer. I can bring to the field one Saturday morning, if you'd like to try it out, if you let me know ahead of time.





#### FREE to a good home: Rick Kjeldsen, 914-474-2717

This is a homemade portable launch winch for model gliders. It takes a 12v car battery and appears to be made from a starter motor. Includes what look like several hundred feet of line. We found it when we were cleaning out the home we inherited from my father-in-law, who was an aerospace engineer and an avid modeler. FREE to a good home.

