

# Wing Tips



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### Club Calendar

#### Coming Up:

- **CLUB MEETING:** Watch your email for information on the next meeting.
- **September 2022 Wing Tips articles & photo submissions due, Thurs., Sept. 1:** Send your submissions to [hvmodelmasters@gmail.com](mailto:hvmodelmasters@gmail.com) Due date is first Thursday of each month.

#### Other Events:

- **MONTHLY MEETINGS:** Will be held at the field, typically 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month, 10am through fall.
- **OUTDOOR FLYING SESSIONS AT REDL PARK (aka West Road Field)** – Every Saturday Morning, weather permitting.

## Warbirds over Delaware July 13-16, 2022 by Rick Rizza



Warbirds over Delaware officially opened on Wednesday, July 13th this year, and when I arrived that afternoon there were already many folks there. I set my canopy next to the WW2 encampment that is Adam Lilley's trademark and proceeded to relax and say hello to many folks I knew. I used to go to a lot more events than I do currently and for the most part, these are people I've known for years but haven't seen since WOD 2021. It was good to re-new acquaintances.

This year I went with no planes to fly. All I wanted to do was hang out, watch, and maybe make some videos, all of which I did.

This year, at last, was another kind of laid back event. There were plenty of pilots, flying and spectators, but it was not as crazy as years past. What with the economy still in the tank after the plague shutdown, and the price of gas, I think a lot of folks just said "not this year" and stayed home with their heads down. I know I was tempted not to bother, but I am glad I went. I had a great time and hope I can make it next year.

### Videos:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s0jsM-jyd04&t=1687s> July 15th

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sijxCobCWOW> July 16th

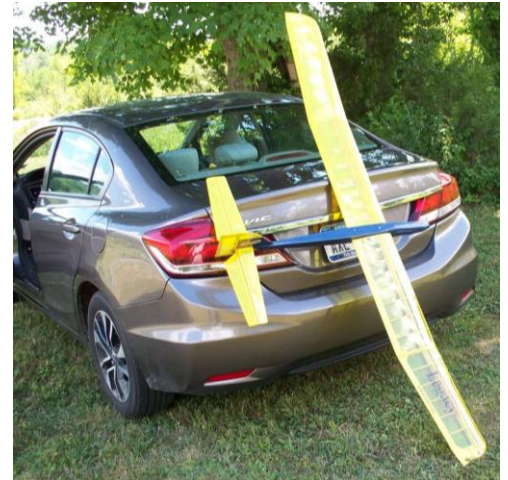
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fXvA4m5bST0&t=103s> Slideshow





### Field Experience July 30, 2022 by Bill Bilitho

I had difficulties getting out of the house last Saturday, I showed up at about 1PM. I brought two gliders to fly, The Jim Woods model that I called “Legacy” (it’s a better name than the blue glider or the Million Mistakes) and a larger ARF. I hand launched Legacy, twice before I rolled out the Hi-Start line (450’ long, our runway is approx. 430’ long), planted the stake about 40’ plus to the north of the asphalt. The wind was blowing away from the stake. Then the wind died, I launched and then the wind started gusting from my back. About 60’ up the line came off and the model hung for perhaps a second before turning Left & down and pile-driven into the end of the asphalt. The front was pushed into the leading edge, the body snapped in two places and half the stabilizer was destroyed, but the wing survived. I declined to fly the other glider and left about 3PM. I junked the entire remains (minus serviceable items), this morning.



### Mid-Summers’ Nightmare by Bill Bolitho

Chris Curran asked about having more diversity in models at the last club meeting. As he showed off an RAF 1930’s Biplane (I’ve forgotten the actual name, sorry about that). His principal complaint or observation was that noting the vast number of designs available, most people were flying designs that were very similar to each other or lacked the panache of something weirdly exciting.



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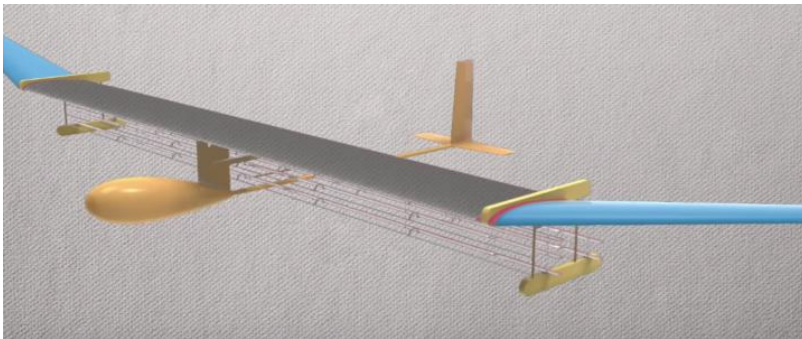
This company died. – Flynano



And now for something totally bananas. A Sailing Ship-Seaplane Combination – Conceptual only.

I think what Chris meant, is that as a group, we're in a rut. We should explore a different paradigm.

How about a model with a millipede landing gear (Like on a 747) or perhaps Wings that flex (B 52 is an example). Or just something different:



MIT's Electro Propulsor – no propellers. It does fly, just not fast. So, what would you say?