

Below: Nelson and Frank survey some of the 22 members at the 3/20/07 business meeting.



Gary Hull, Dave Evar, and Walt Elbrecht with Dave's vintage 1947 "Perky" speed model and Walt's .15-powered Goodyear racer. 3/20/07



3/20/07: Frank Zabudske and Dave Heinzman discuss Dave's "Katana", while Dick Yatson, with his pretty 1/2-A proto speed model, talks speed with Bob Taipale,, who brought in his F-.40's.

Our **April business meeting**, the last before moving out to the field – and Burger King - will be next Tuesday, April 17, at the Parma Heights Library, 6209 Pearl Rd. Attendance has been great recently; so come on out to show what you're up to and see what your club mates may have to share. Projects, sale/trade items, or demos are welcome! All indoor fun meetings have been completed for the season. Come on out to the field on those – and other - Tuesday evenings.

Remember to get your **club dues** to Walter Elbrecht and to be sure that your **AMA membership** (read that *insurance!*) is also paid up, so that you can fly at the field.

Saturday, May 5, we have agreed to be at the circles flying **demos for about 3000 area Boy Scouts**. Please see member submissions for details.

Remember too: Be sure that Walt gets your calendar items for the web page!

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Editor's Notes:



I had intended to remark how flying season was upon us, since this is our last month for indoor meetings, and we've enjoyed a couple 70-80 degree, albeit windy, days recently. Wayne even reported that the circles looked excellent – fingers crossed for the horse folks to continue honoring our yellow tape. The only trouble, a few days later, is that they are probably again covered in snow! We shouldn't have waited that extra minute! The climate changed again. So have any of you been out flying this "Spring"? Me? I just spent an hour and a half shoveling nearly two feet of snow to get back into my drive!

We have had **excellent business meeting attendance** recently, peaking at around 22, and some interesting projects have been displayed. Last month, Dick Yatson showed his "Sweet Pea" 1/2-A proto speedster, while speedy compatriot Bob Taipale brought in his Formula-.40 speed model and a set of parts for another under construction. Continuing the speed/racing theme were Walt Elbrecht's .15 powered Goodyear racer with fuel cut-off mechanism and Dave Evar's 1947 "Perky" speed model. Dave Heinzman brought in his mostly complete "Katana" stunter, having had to restart his trim painting after dealing with one of those extra "challenges" that pop up in this hobby. Excellent workmanship, as always! Stunt plans (forgot whose) were an interesting focus, while Kenn Smith's RTF "Cosmic Winds" brought back memories at the last couple gatherings too. We enjoyed another excellent time at Norm Skuderin's home for the final fun meeting of this season. Norm's P-40 is really looking great, with its paneled sheet aluminum finish, replete with simulated Dzus fasteners and rivets. Refreshments were great, as usual, and it was again a treat to see Norm's collections of CL model masterpieces, engines, cycles, cars, etc. Wayne showed us the newest Brodak ARF "Strega", and we discussed its potential and needed mods. If you haven't been out, why not show us your projects or building techniques at our last Library meeting of the season next week?

One recurrent topic in these meetings is the **lack of CL coverage in our regional vice president's monthly column in AMA's Model Aviation magazine**. More than one member wonders whether it's worth the postage and copying costs to continue sending our regional V.P. the NCCL club newsletter. **So Bob Brown, if you're out there**, why not drop us a line to let us know that you are aware of us and our hobby and have seen the newsletter we send? Wayne remarked that we have a decent newsletter and a great internet site – 'should be worth something. Speaking of AMA...there is a concern that all members keep their AMA membership paid up in order not to jeopardize our insurance at the field. So, in order to fly, do **keep your AMA membership current**. We have beautiful circles maintained to a great extent by Wayne and Dave, and we do not want to lose them. At the time of the last meeting, we still **needed to acquire a new roller for field maintenance**. Can anyone help? There are certainly few pleasanter places to spend time than our current flying circles!

Speaking of our circles... Ron Trayte has taken over for John Jones at the fairgrounds. John called the house recently to say that he has enjoyed our newsletter, but that we should now send it to Ron at the same address. We will now be

corresponding with Ron on field-related business. Dave says that he has enjoyed talking with Ron, and we look forward to continuing our good ties with the fine folks out there.

Finally, my apologies for the reproduction quality here and in last month's issue. My printer cartridge is nearly empty, and I am replacing the machine itself soon, rather than buying another cartridge. Contrast is compromised in both versions.

North Coast Control Liners Business Meeting Minutes – March 20, 2007

Meeting called to order at 7:15 pm.

Attendance: Walt Elbrecht, Dave Evar, Gary Hull, Joe Cservenko, Carl Allendorf, Joe Rusyniak, Serge Krauss, Norm Skuderin, Dave Domin, Kenn Smith, Bob Hudak, Frank Zabudske, Don Sopka, Bob Tapiale, Wayne Buran, Dave Heinzman, Ed Pomnitz, Tim Clifford.

Additions to February Minutes: I forgot to mention that Wayne reported that our lawn roller was leaking and we should be on the lookout for a replacement.

Treasurer's Report: Walt reported that we have a total of \$1362.37.

Field Director's report: Wayne reported that the field was in good shape. No damage suffered after the golf thing.

Committee Reports: Ron forgot the info on the T shirts but since there were so many people at the meeting he passed around a sheet for those interested in a T shirt to sign up for one. The club will buy the shirts and then get the money back when the shirts are sold. Ron wants to wrap this up in April.

Club Racing: Carl discussed race. He will make rough draft of rules and have them for next month. Races will start in May and run till July. Most races will be held on Fun Meeting Nights to avoid conflict with contests on weekends.

Communications: Kenn Smith advised that there will be an air show at Akron Fulton airport this summer over the July 1st weekend. Nelson has sent the info for our field lease to the fairgrounds. Someone sent the club an e-mail about an airplane with a different power source. Walt said that some members have not paid their AMA dues. These must be paid in order to fly at the Fairgrounds.

Old Business: None

*Photo:
Steve Wooley and "Cobra"*

New Business: Next fun meeting is at Norm's. We will start meeting at the field in May.

Dave Heinzman asked if we want to advertise the contest in Model Aviation magazine. Wayne checked the new procedures for listing contests in MA and we still get listed as part of the contest fee.

Don Sopka suggested that during the wet months of flying we park farther out from the circles and use the parking lot for pits to avoid the water-logged areas.

Wayne reminded everyone that safety thongs must be worn when flying. Also police visitors to keep them from walking on lines or walking into the flying circle. Times when we cannot fly will be posted on the calendar. These are: Cuyahoga county fair, WGAR country music festival, Irish festival morning.

General Discussion: We are still in need of a lawn roller.

Toledo show is coming up April 13 - 15.

Wayne is disappointed with the coverage we get from our AMA district III representative, Bob Brown. He has never attended one of our contests, never attended any control line contest in Ohio, never attended Brodak's even though he lives in Bradford, PA which is not that far from Carmichaels, never published any info from the newsletter that we send him. He wants the club to send Bob Brown a letter stating our dissatisfaction with his "representation". A motion was made and seconded and passed. I guess I got the job of doing this.

Serge discussed how AMA does not promote modeling, especially control line, and things may get worse after Bob Hunt leaves [Not exactly: they *fall short*, too often 'dropping the ball' on priorities; I opined that charging extra for listing or promotion of modeling events subverts AMA's stated 'mission' stipulating promotion of modeling activities – SK].

Wayne moved to adjourn. Seconded and passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.

CALENDAR

Fri.-Sun.	4/13-15	Toledo R/C Show – The Big One – some CL?	SeaGate Centre, 401 Jefferson Ave., Toledo
Tuesday	4/17/07	NCCL Monthly Business Meeting – 7:00 PM	Parma Hts. Library, 6206 Pearl Rd.
Saturday,	5/5/07	Demo for the Boy Scouts 9:00 AM-4:00 PM	Berea Fairgrounds
Tuesday	5/15/07	NCCL Monthly Business Meeting – 7:00 PM	Burger King, Bagley Rd., after flying
Sat.-Sun.	5/19-20	Strathmoor Stunt Contest	Strathmoor Rouge Park, Detroit, MI.
Tuesday	6/19/07	NCCL Monthly Business Meeting – 7:00 PM	Burger King, Bagley Rd., after flying
Sunday	5/27/07	Chicagoland Circle Cutters, Windy City Classic	Ned Brown Forest Pres.– Rolling Meadows, IL
Tues.-Sat.	6/12-16	Brodak Fly-In	Brodak Flying Fields, Carmichaels, PA.
Sat.-Sun.	6/23-24	Sig Control Line Championships	Sig Field – Montezuma, IA.
Weekend	7/1/07	Airshow – 5 Corsairs, Bearcat, P-47, A-10, etc.	Akron Fulton Co. Airport; Blimp Hangar Displ
Sat.-Sun.	8/18-19	Western Kentucky/Southern IL Stunt Champs	McCracken Co. Model Air Park, Paducah, KY

Safety subject for April – Dave Evar:



The 2007 flying season is now fully underway. I successfully completed three flights with my ARF Tutor with the assistance of Walt Elbrecht a couple of Tuesdays ago. Walter didn't break anything either (although I fouled up one of his take-offs).

We arranged to meet at the field, and we put in a few flights before it got too dark. I do remember a pull-test or two, but other than that, we just flew. Oh, yes, we also did a range check; noting that it is very important that we are no further from the plane than at the handle while flying. Don't forget your safety thong (not the wardrobe item).

I don't know what Walter did before coming to the field, but I know what I did. I did a safety check of the Tutor. Checked to make sure the spinner and prop were on tight, the engine was attached to the fuselage with all the bolts tight, the muffler was on tight. Some folks paint the tips of the propeller blades white or yellow to make the propeller arc more visible when the engine is running. Adding the tip color may affect the balance of the prop. The landing gear was where it was supposed to be and without bends, the wheels turned easily, and the fuel tank was relatively secure and the fuel filter is clear. I could see no problems with the attachment of the wing or tail to the fuselage. The epoxy that that holds in the flap and elevator hinges is just fine and the linkages were properly adjusted and smooth in operation. The leadouts are OK. The pilot was only a bit frazzled. This took all of about a minute.

Big deal, you say, yeah. I later read the AMA's national newsletter that suggested a safety check to the R/C guys, and was surprised that I had actually performed one without thinking about it. I actually did something safe. I also should know better than to admit that I did it by accident. Who said "Safety is no accident"?

I'm hoping everyone gives their planes a good going-over before beginning the flying season, and a quick once-over on occasion during the year, like before every flying session and after every hard landing or collision.

I suggest all the club members consider themselves an Assistant Safety Coordinator. Some things related to safety at the field get by me. I appreciate all the help I can get. If you see a problem related to safe flight operations, pit procedures, or observer/visitor issues, let me know. Anonymity will be respected.

I can be reached via e-mail at: Safety@Control-Line.net or at the phone number listed in the roster that may soon to be published in the newsletter. Please disregard the first sentence of the first paragraph. I just looked outside.

Hot glow starters and fair breezes. - Dave

Classifieds:

Wanted: Will buy any old Ringmaster, Flight Streak, or other *expendable* CL model/engine combination for one-man combat, to be flown with left hand - Don Sopka



Member Submissions:

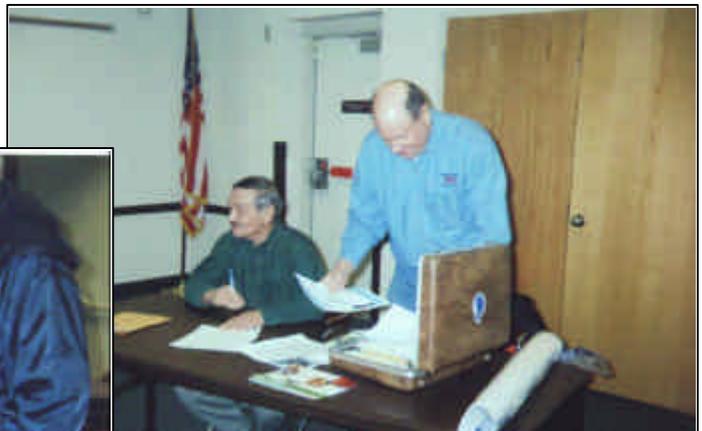
2/26, e-Mail Received by Nelson Erbs: From: "Dr. Gary J. Harloff" <harloff@sbcglobal.net> I am looking for some help building and flying a prototype giant scale model with a novel propulsion system I designed. I can pay for the help. If there is someone like this, please refer them to me. Thank you. Dr. Gary Harloff; 815 Crocker Road, D-10; Westlake, OH 44145; (440) 871-7278.

From Ron, 3/28: I forgot to talk about this at the meeting the other night and I just realized that we won't have any more meetings before May 5th. **On May 4, 5, and 6 the Boy Scouts will be having a big event at the fairgrounds** They will be camping out (no, not in our circles) and will be exposed to over 80 different activities. I volunteered us to be one of those activities. Over 3,000 scouts are anticipated to attend this event. Hopefully some will wander over to the flying circles attracted by the noise, see what is going on, and get hooked on flying instead of video games. We are signed up for Saturday, May 5th from 9 am till 4 pm. All we have to do is show up and fly, pretty much like any Sunday at the field, except it's Saturday. We do not have to let the kids fly any of our planes. All we have to do is just be there and fly and talk to the kids and answer any questions they might have. Maybe we can come up with some signs or something to do some of the talking for us. So please try to help out, show up, bring a bunch of stuff whether it flies or not. Some planes under construction would be a good item for a display too. Thanks.

Seen at the 1/16/07 Meeting...

Right: Ron and Carl prepare to open the January meeting.

Below Left: Dave Evar, Norm Skuderin and Wayne Buran examine a pair of Cleveland Model and Supply Co. plans.



Above: Kenn Smith brought two cox-powered "Cosmic Winds."

Right Center: Bob, Ron, Carl, Ed, and Wayne discuss plans for a Pat Johnson P-40 (Brodak?) – dihedral or not? Ron shows plastic fuselage template from Tom Morris material.

Above: Walt Elbrecht in his "office", viewing a different "Katana".

Business Meeting 3/20/07...



Top Right: Don, Bob, and Dick with Bob's F-.40 and Dick's 1/2-A Proto

2nd Below Right: Dick's 1/2-A Proto-Speed Model.

3rd Below Right: Walt's Goodyear Racer - .15 engine, tank, and fuel cut-off

Bottom Right: Walt with Goodyear Racer.



Top Left: Bob Taipale shows parts for F-.40 speedster.

2nd Above: Bob, Dick, and Don with Bob's F-.40 speed components.

Bottom Left: Gary Hull confers with Dave Evar. Dave's 1047 "Perky" speed model in foreground.

Monthly model plan should return next month, with pictures of Norms P-40 and April fun meeting at Norm's home.