

Syracuse Thunderbirds Aero Radio Society

Plane Propwash

May 2010

Charter 473

The General Meeting will be at 7:00 at the STARS Field on May 12

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Roy Fields, President
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Chuck LeVine, Webmaster
Carl Moore, Field Committee

PrezSez;

This months meeting will be on Wednesday, May 12, at the STARS field at 7:00pm. As a reminder, the meeting is always the second Wednesday of the month. This is the first meeting at field until the fall.

From the Prez,

May Meeting At The Field!
HELI JAM Coming June 26th

Just a reminder the next meeting will be at the field on Wednesday May 12th at 7 p.m. The meetings are on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. Our meetings will be at the field for the summer until October.

I think we finally have the upper hand on the beavers. The field is staying dry even after a good soaking rain.

The next thing coming up on our calendar at the field is the 2010 C N Y Heli Jam, so get your pilot registration forms in to Chuck LeVine, 785 Flyer RD. Lot 50, Kirkville, NY

From The Editor:

I was informed that past member Neil Robertson passed away in April. Neil was active in the club back when I was a junior member in 1980. I can still hear Carol Eckert call his name during roll call at the meetings.

13082. The pre-registration fee is \$ 10.00, due by 5/31/2010. The registration at the field, the day of the event June 26th, is \$15.00. You can get forms from me, Chuck, or at the field club house. Hope to see you there. We had a lot of fun last year. There will be food and drink at the event.

Heli school has started. It is every Tuesday, starting at 5.00pm and fixed wing school starts at 5.00pm on Thursday, May 13th and each Thursday after that until September .

See you
at the field

Roy.

Secretary's Report:

The April 2010 STARS regular meeting was called to order by STARS President, **Roy Fields**, at 7:09 pm. There were **11** full members, **1** associate member, **no** youth members, and **1** guest in attendance.

Secretary's Report: The Secretary's Report from the March meeting was submitted for approval. Motion to approve was made by Mike Graham and 2nd by Carl Moore. Carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Chuck LeVine

It has been an expensive month. Shares for George Gressovic have been paid off. The new sign and the food for the start of flight school have been paid for. The approved fence repair work will begin soon. All bills are current. Motion to approve was made by Peter Seiffert and 2nd by Carl Moore. Carried unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Field Committee: Carl Moore

The field was cut today. The field committee members have started cleaning up by the old shed. The field committee wants to stress- **PLEASE** do not bring your stuff from home. While your intent was good, sadly most of what is there couldn't be used and is now just junk to clean up. [If you have something that you think the club can use, or you want to donate, please contact Carl or someone on the field committee, for approval.]

A quick work party is expected. Raking the stone back into the driveway is the most demanding chore- bring stiff rakes and wear your gloves.

Reminder- The water bottles at the field have a nickel deposit on them. Please put them in the recycling and not the trash. Thanks.

AMA: Peter Seiffert, AMA District II, AVP

Peter, AMA, and the MOST are all very enthusiastic about this program and it's potential to promote the hobby and bring in new members. Peter's guest, Dustin Angel, is from the MOST. Dustin is a long time friend of STARS member Jim Mirra. Dustin detailed the program that Peter outlined in the March Propwash.

The MOST's new exhibit is Flight and Space. The goal is to get the public excited about flying. The exhibit is interactive. They have micro MCX helicopters that can be flown inside the exhibit. Walt's has prepared planes and rockets for them to

display in the exhibit. The Flight and Space exhibit needs flyers to come in on the

first Saturday of each month to do a presentation and show off their personal r/c planes and helicopters.

The MOST is asking the STARS and the ARCS for their help. Each Saturday flight presentation will last from 11:00 to 3:00, May through August. The forum will be a presentation with q&a. There should be two (2) presenters for each session. The audience is adults and children. Dustin asked that the presenters bring smaller models that are able to be touched; small models due to limited space and touchable because people, especially young children, don't always ask to "see" the models first. The presentation can include video. They are working on the technical details to have a flight simulator available.

Please come in at 10:45 so that you are ready at 11:00 for the presentation. The loading dock at the rear of the building will be open then for you to bring in your planes and presentation materials. You can not park in the loading dock. There are six parking spots for volunteers in the back. There are other volunteers so these spots may already be taken by the time you get there. The MOST will reimburse you if you have to pay for parking. **Not all parking is free downtown on Saturdays.**

On April 24th, there is a walk through open house for volunteers at 5:00. Please check in at the front desk before 5:00 if you are planning on volunteering. The museum closes at 5:00 and only registrants may stay.

If you are interested in Volunteering for one of the Saturdays, please contact Peter Seiffert. Peter is requesting two (2) names for each date. The June 5th session will be at Skytop on the SU campus. This is for the Rocket Team Challenge that starts at 9:00.

Long Range Projects: Bob Rowe

The work on the fence will begin soon.

The next projects are propane storage and the cooking area outside the pavilion.

Flight School: Bob Rowe

Heli School starts back up on Tuesday April 20.

Fixed Wing PRE FLIGHT WORKSHOP is Thursday April 29 at Walt's starting at 7pm.

Fixed Wing School starts back up on Thursday May 13. Volunteers are needed for all flight schools and the pre-flight workshop. Please contact Bob to officially volunteer. Show ups are also welcome.

HELI-JAM: Chuck LeVine

Heli Jam is on for June 26. The event flyers are done and the t-shirts have been printed.

Chuck reported that he has received some of the pilot applications back already.

Help is needed all around, especially on the food service detail. Please contact Chuck for an assignment. This was a big success last year, lets all help to make it bigger this year.

Old Business:

Safety Report: Peter Seiffert

There will be a safety meeting coming up soon. It will be held immediately after the regularly scheduled club meeting.

Please be aware of and courteous towards your fellow flyers at the field.

STARS Web Site: Nothing new at this time.

New Business:

Port-A-Potty: The port-a-potty will back at the field on May 1st. Last season was a success so let's keep it up. Remember- Please use it with respect and regards to the next user. The potty is serviced regularly. Please notify one of the STARS officers if you find the potty is not being serviced. Do not use the potty if it has been tipped over.

Safety Officer Report: Peter Seiffert

Safety Officer,
Peter Seiffert

Fuel Order:

Walt's has agreed to help us on our fuel purchases for 2010. Please identify yourself as a club member when purchasing your fuel.

New Members:

Charles Hawkins- Heli- Fun Fly
Sponsored by Chuck LeVine

Charles Bronson- Heli- Fun Fly
Sponsored by Chuck LeVine

Nick Raschella- Fixed Wing
Sponsored by Chuck Wright

Gary Natali- Heli
Sponsored by Peter Seiffert

Hoa Tran- Heli

All are candidates for Associate Membership. The membership in attendance voted them in as Associate members unanimously.

Adjournment:

The April regular monthly meeting of the STARS was adjourned at 8:00 PM with a motion from Peter Seiffert and second by Carl Moore.

Secretary
Jeff Wolsley



S.T.A.R.S.

Jacket Order Form



The STARS Club jacket is a blue, three season, satin finished, quilt lined jacket with the Club logo on the back and your name embroidered on the front over the left breast.

The prices: \$67.00 for S, M, L, XL; \$71.00 for 2XL; \$73.00 for 3XL

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Name desired on jacket: _____

Send form to: Phil Morgan
4808 Black Oak Drive
Liverpool, NY 13088

Checks payable to: Phil Morgan (Not the STARS)

Please note that the dealer requires a minimum order of six jackets. I will send your order in when I have six or more.

Please note- This is the previous order form. Add \$ 5.00 to each of the above prices for 2009 dollars. Phil M. is pretty confident that will cover any additional fees. Thank you.

Calendar of Events: *Editor's Note- Also watch your e-mail for sudden changes to events like cancellations or re-scheduling due to weather.*

June 5, Skytop Meeting with the Rocket Team Challenge

June 26, STARS Second Annual Heli Jam

July 17-18 Sayre Valley RC Competition Fun Fly, Sayre, PA.

July 31, Mountain R/C Modelers Fun Fly, Old Forge, NY.

Indoor helicopter flying at Walt's is now closed for the season.

Flight Schools-

Helicopter- STARTS April 20, and runs every Tuesday 5:00pm at the STARS field. Weather permitting. Flight school closes in September

Fixed Wing- STARTS May 13 and runs every Thursday 5:00pm at the STARS field. Weather permitting. Flight school closes in September

MOST Volunteer Schedule-

May 1st- Roy Fields,

June 5th-

July 3rd-

August 7th-

Please visit the AMA DistrictII website for additional information on these and other events.

Indoor flying at the Oswego YMCA Armory has closed for the season.

Advertisements:

Items for sale:

Real Flight version 4.0 including Expansion Pack 1, Real Flight Controller. In original packages. This is eligible for online upgrade to version 4.5. 125.00 takes the whole thing.

Please contact Chuck LeVine- clevine5@twcny.rr.com or 315-403-8208

All that is for sale on the internet is not gold. This was sent to me by Mike Graham. This is currently all over the internet so the likelihood of someone trying to peddle these is slim. But if there weren't any dumb criminals out there, who would we have to make fun of?

A friend of my dad helped design the Crossfire model mentioned here. If anyone notices these for sale on the Net let the Mfg know. Thanks, Dan

From: [Lee Schantz](mailto:leeschantz@cox.net)

Sent: Monday, March 29, 2010 6:10 PM

To: leeschantz@cox.net

Subject: Theft of GS R/C Aircraft Kits

Golden Skies R/C Aircraft, Inc

Subject: **Theft of Golden Skies R/C Aircraft**

Golden Skies R/C Aircraft's Cargo Trail was burglarized in Mid-March 2010. Approximately twenty (20) each [CrossFire 320E](#) and [Bampf 3D Extreme ARFs](#) were stolen. This burglary occurred in Southern California.

GS R/C asks that you be aware that there are **NO Distributors or SELLERS** of the above ARF kits other than Golden Skies R/C Aircraft. (Cermark is the only currently authorized dealer.) We ask that you also be aware of any CrossFire's or Bampf's being offered in any of the popular re-seller websites such as E-Bay or Craig's list.

Finally, GS R/C asks that:

1. You share this notice with your fellow pilots and club members.
2. Please alert GS R/C of any new CrossFire or Bampf arrivals at your field that did not come directly from GS R/C.
3. Alert GS R/C if you see the CrossFire or Bampf being offered for sale on any website other than www.goldenskiesrc.com or retail store.

Thank you for your assistance in our effort to catch the people responsible for the robbery.



Golden Skies R/C Aircraft, Inc.
Laguna Niguel, CA 92677
949-378-5998
leeschantz@cox.net
www.goldenskiesrc.com

WANTED:

I need about 1ft² of Ultracoat Lite White HANU973 to make a repair. If anyone has this material, please let me know. Please bring it to the next STARS meeting or arrangements can be made to pick it up or mailing.

Thanks, Jeff Wolsley. 315-391-0648

FOR SALE: *If you want to list modeling items for sale, R/C services offered, or a really neat R/C web site, this would be a good spot. Free for members. Send your advertisement by e-mail to jwolsley@ix.netcom.com. Please put STARS ADVERTISEMENT in the subject line.*

how to build a rc jet B-1 Bomber # 173 pt 1

hornitpilot 404 videos



A REALLY COOL WEBSITE- *Thanks to Rick Colvin for pointing this out at the June 2009 meeting-*

For those of you who ever wanted to learn how to make a fiberglass plug and molds, this is the guy to check out. Even if the plane in the project doesn't interest you, the education from the process may. If the Youtube hyperlink doesn't work, copy the following URL into your browser line and click go. It's up over 300 videos now. How To Build A B-1 Bomber 10 Minutes At A Time

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HqTKJU6PlkA&feature=channel_page

This is the link to the web site- <http://www.b1modelproject.com/>



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Online at: <http://www.amadistrictiistars.org>



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Membership Application Form

Date: _____

Membership: Open (\$220.00 share+dues) Extra Family member (\$30.00)
 Associate (\$75.00) Youth (< AMA age 19 - \$5.00)
 Park Pilot - Associate (\$75.00) Park Pilot - Youth (< AMA age 19 - \$5.00)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

AMA: _____ DOB: _____

RC Channels Used: _____

STARS Member(s) Contacted: _____

Primary Interests (Sport, Scale, Pattern, Fun Fly, etc.): _____

Other Club Affiliations: _____

Desired Name on Nametag: _____

Email Address (for newsletter and notices): _____

You must be a current member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) in order to join the STARS. Please show your AMA card to the Officer given this application or include a photocopy of the application for the license.

"I have read and agree to abide by the STARS Field Safety Rules." (on back)

Submit this form to a Club Officer

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S.T.A.R.S.

Flight Training Program

2010



When?

Every Thursday evening from 5:30 PM to Sunset
May 13, 2010 through September 09, 2010

Where?

At the S.T.A.R.S. field in Phoenix, New York

Who?

Anyone wanting to learn to fly powered R/C model airplanes!! You do not have to be a Club member and all lessons are free. Each student must furnish his/her own plane and radio equipment and also must hold a current membership in a nationally recognized model aircraft association in order to fly.

PreFlight Workshop

Held at Walt's Hobby
Thursday April 29, 2010 at 7 PM

Interested?

Contact any one of the following members:

PRESIDENT: Roy Fields (598-4814)

VICE-PRESIDENT: Bob Rowe (474-8428)

SECRETARY: Jeff Wolsley (458-0613)

TREASURER: Chuck LeVine (403-8208)

SENIOR FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR: Bob Rowe (474-8428)

2nd Annual

CNY Heli-Jam

2010



June 26th

Hosted by: S.T.A.R.S.
and Syracuse Heli Group

Sponsored by: **WALT'S**
HOBBY



C N Y Heli JAM
PILOT REGISTRATION FORM

R/C Helicopter Fun Fly

June 26, 2010 ~10AM –Until ?

**S.T.A.R.S. Field 649 County Route 12, Pennellville,NY
13132**

Pilot Name: _____

Address: _____

AMA #: _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone: _____

Pre Registration Fee \$10.00 due by 5/31/10 (This is to reserve a shirt)

Registration at field: \$15.00

Official T Shirt : ___ LG, ___ XL, ___ XXL, ___ 3XL (One per pilot)

Total: _____ Make check or money order payable to S.T.A.R.S.. *Please don't send cash!*

Will you need an overnight camping space? We have space for a few, **NO HOOKUPS** . Please print this form and mail check or money order to:

S.T.A.R.S.

c/o Chuck LeVine

785 Fyler Rd. Lot 50

Kirkville, NY 13082

Junior Aviators Day*

Saturday, May 29, 2010, 11-4pm at the OVM flying field in Fulton NY.

The public, both young and old, are invited to try their hand at R/C flying using R/C trainer aircraft courtesy of the Hawks R/C Junior Aviators flight training program.

This is a day for the kid in all of us to have some fun. The Hawks have been sharing this great hobby with local youth since 2002. This free event will take place at the Oswego Valley Modelaires flying field located off Chase Rd. in Fulton NY.

Going north from Hannibal St. look to the left for the road to the Don Butler Youth Soccer fields. Make a left. then Follow this rough road straight into the woods to the OVM field. Follow the signs.

Contact: Tim Pease 564.5889

The public is invited and spectators are always welcome at the OVM field.

This event will follow the Fulton Memorial Day Parade.

CNY Pilots please join us for an afternoon of flying and fellowship.

(* Due to the NY state 2010 budget issues, the Fort Ontario site is unavailable this year)

Location : OVM field, Fulton NY

Contact : Tim Pease 315.564.5889

SPRING COMPETITION FOR MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS



ORGANIZED BY Milton J. Rubenstein Museum of Science & Technology
with the LC Smith College of Engineering and Computer Science at Syracuse University

DATES **Informational Meeting and Materials Pick-Up**
Thursday, April 8, 3:30 – 5 PM
Launch
Saturday, June 5 at 9 AM

TWO DIVISIONS **Middle School** (4th through 8th grades) and **High School** (9th through 12th grades)
School teams should consist of four to five students.

Sign up to design, build and fly a high-power rocket. Your school will receive materials, rocket simulation software and training to build a rocket capable of lifting an electronic payload with “eggstronaut” to peak altitudes between 200 and 400 meters. A general informational meeting in April will take place at the MOST, where we will distribute materials to school teams and associated school instructors. Each rocket will carry a video and audio acquisition device with real time transmission back to the launch site, and a high speed digital altitude recorder.

The school teams design and build their rockets to be ready for flight on Saturday, June 5 at the Syracuse University Skytop launch site.

CRITERIA **Competition and judging of the rocket teams include:**

- 1 Aesthetic look of the rocket,
- 2 Student presentation, which incorporates relevant technical knowledge,
- 3 A successful flight,
- 4 Successful “eggstronaut” payload recovery, and
- 5 Precision in estimating the apogee of your rocket.

College faculty and professional engineers will judge and present awards to the winning teams. All team members will receive certificates of participation and the three top teams in each of the two divisions will receive school plaques.

Participants in the CNY Rocket Team Challenge will experience team work and computer design; learn the fundamentals of rocket science with components of electrical, mechanical and chemical engineering; and experience the thrill and exhilaration of high power rocketry!

TO REGISTER www.most.org/rockets

CONTACT Peter Plumley, MOST, rocket@most.org or 315.425.9068 x2163

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RR 2 Box 206 Athens, PA 18810
(607) 742-9779
email jim.champion@lmco.com



**National Competition
Fun Fly Association**

www.valleyrcpa.com

The Link for the AMA is:

<http://www.modelaircraft.org/>

The link for the AMA DII Calendar is:

http://www.amadistrictii.org/amajoom/index.php?option=com_events&Itemid=56&task=view_month&month=5&year=2010

The link for the club yahoo users group is:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/stars_club_members/ (Don't forget to sign in)

The link for the STARS club home page at DII is

<http://www.amadistrictiistars.org/>

The Propwash News Letter is also available at YAHOO GROUPS. The current news letter and previous years/months are viewable and printable from there.

Please contact Mike Graham tanjmg82@aol.com to join the STARS Yahoo group. Send Mike an email asking to join from your preferred email account. Mike will then reply with an invite to join the group. The invitation contains the links and instructions necessary to join.



STARS Field Satellite photo

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