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495th R/C Squadron June

Club Meeting - "Pie Social and Joe Nall" Come and enjoy some members report on the Joe Nall event.

SAFETY: EVERY MEMBER is RESPONSIBLE

www.495thsquadron.org/Fields.htm

Rules and Operational Procedures for both of our premier flying sites located in Groton and Tewksbury, Massachusetts!

Treasurers Report

By Paul Gosselin

Account Balances

As of 5/21/2005

Assets Total

Bank and Cash Accounts

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|-------------------------|----------|
| CD 63205009515 | 1,000.00 |
| CD 71905010303 | 2,999.15 |
| CD 73305000843 | 1,058.03 |
| Sovereign Bank Checking | 4,685.96 |
| PayPal Account | 505.23 |

Total Bank and Cash Accounts \$10,248.37

Winter Projects

During the May meeting many of our members showed off the results of their work during the snowy season. Here is a sample of what we saw.



Insider's View

By Roy P. Arsenault

A super flying event to determine who is the fastest RC pilot in the 495th RC Squadron. Hey, I bet you never gave that any thought, did you? Can you just imagine the pride and glory that goes with that title? Not to mention the official recognition for this feat of daring do?

Any type of aircraft will be allowed and no holds barred to come to the determination of **YEAH WHO IS THE FASTEST RC pilot** in our club. You think it is ---YOU--- well come on down and we will all find out **BUT** remember you must **PARTICIPATE** to be eligible for the bragging rights. The three first places will be honored and acknowledged with a certificate of accomplishment. Our official timer for this event will be a man of impeccable integrity when it comes to scoring such an event. No names will be mentioned at this time to protect his privacy and if you know who this individual may be and you try to contact him for "small favors" you could be banned from this event.

Yes you can fly more then one type of aircraft in this event and be scored. Now you may say to yourself **HEY SELF** Are you that good a pilot that you can compete with all those **HOT SHOT** pilots that will be giving it their

best shot? (Yeah, helicopters will be permitted to compete too.) Now you have some options, so get in touch with a club instructor and sharpen up your flying skills. Get in some serious practice as I am now going to relate to you just what you will have to perform to gain this title.

1. You must take off (or hand launch) to get into the air.
2. You must perform 3 loops or figure 8's (your choice).
3. Now you will be required to make three successive passes under the limbo ribbons without breaking them...Now go around the landing strip and land from the same direction as the limbo event.
4. The next maneuver is easy, land on the landing strip and come to a stop.

Your score will be timed and will not be open to arguments. Remember I told you we have an impeccable score keeper and his word is final. So you are still having doubts as to your flying abilities WELL have we got an event for you to show off how well you fly and get you to look good in front of all the spectators and any special person that you are trying to impress with your super flying styles and no pressure on you either.

How you may ask is this miracle going to occur? MATHEMATICAL MANIPULATION is the answer to this query. HUH???? I have devised a super scoring system that puts everybody on an equal basis. You must believe that this is a FUN FLY and that is exactly what my scoring system will prove to everyone in attendance and to all participants in this event.

If you can take off and land an aircraft, you too can be a winner. Any type of aircraft can participate in this event with an equal chance of victory. You don't even have to land on the strip, anywhere will do, with certain exceptions of course. Hey, even if you find a way to get yourself into the air, YES, you too can participate and score as well as anyone there. To encourage you, A 495th RC squadron MEMBER to at least come to the field on June 11th and see what is going on we have prepared for your enjoyment a great static display of aircraft of all types. You too can bring an aircraft to the field on that day and if you decide you do not want to fly, get in on this static event. Recognition certificates will be awarded there also. After all this hype you must think that this is all we got, WRONG WRONG WRONG.

We are going to present for your personal edification and enjoyment, a group of super demos by some of the best RC fliers around.

KEEP READING, I AM ALMOST FINISHED but I must tell you about this part of this events. We have flying witches, pylon races, super aerobatic demos and 3-D demonstrations that will thrill you to your toenails. There will be other daring events to wet your whistle and to top off the entire day we are having a Bar-B-QUE to keep your tape worm happy as well. Now how can you beat that for a great day of fun and enjoyment.

I know that there are some of you who are beside yourselves with wild anticipation waiting for that day to arrive but I am looking for the ones who say, WE maybe I will go to see what's happening.

COME ON DOWN, you will not be disappointed and you will have a great time. PARTICIPATE OR SPECTATE but do show up. Bring a plane, your mother, girlfriend, best buddy, but be sure to BRING YOURSELF. Don't miss the dog fights. LET'S SHOW THE WORLD WHAT A GOLD LEADER CLUB CAN DO. LET'S FLY.

We will also have a raffle and a flea market, just incase you might see something that you want to buy or sell. I'm sure some of our stars will be glad to autograph your book, just ask.

Helicopter Fun-Fly

September 17th is the date of the first Helicopter Fun-Fly event for the 495th! There will be a flightline fee of \$10 to join in the fun with your helicopter. Food will be available and a Raffle with great prizes. Pass the word around the Northeast and come see all the fun! We expect a large crowd of pilots from the entire northeast!

RC Tails

By Roy P. Arsenault

Witchcraft - Chapter Three

On their way back to the house Terry spoke up. "Say Ted, I have an idea how we can get rid of that bunch once and for all. There's a road that runs parallel to that clearing, isn't there?" "Yes" replied Ted, "But I don't get what that has to do with anything." "Listen to me Ted, here's what I have in mind. Let's scare them out of there." "How are we going to do that?" Ted inquired. "You know the RC plane I brought here today? Well it has a few tricks built into it that just might get that group out of here and away for good."

Terry explained to Ted all the lights and sounds that he had built into the plane. "A low and slow flight from the road above and over their heads with the lights flashing and the sounds from the speaker would have a terrific effect on them, especially if they have no idea just what it is they might be seeing. A group like they are sure to be a very superstitious bunch. That might be all that is necessary to get them on the run and away for good."

Ted was all enthused about Terry's plan "Let's do it, Terry" With three persons carrying all the gear it was no problem getting the RC plane to the road next to the clearing. Terry had recharged all the batteries after his afternoon demo flight. Everything was ready to go. "There is enough light for me to get the plane airborne, after that the lights in the plane will be my guide. After I get into the air, you guys go into the woods and watch the action."

There was no wind to worry about as the Senior Kadet started its take off roll down the road. You could barely hear the hum of the brushless electric motor as the plane left the ground and gained altitude. Terry took it up to about a hundred feet, made a turn towards the clearing, turned on the two big red lights in the wings and the strobe in the middle of the fuselage along with the string lights in the stabilizer.

Swooping down from out of the sky, Terry turned on the cassette system he had prepared with growls, low moans and screams. With these sounds emanating from the speaker, this immediately got the attention of all the trespassers. When they looked up to see what was happening they were greeted with what looked to them as a screaming devil with a large fiery face looking to engulf them any moment. The shape of the plane was not visible in the darkness of the night, On his first pass, Terry created pure havoc among the group. He made a second pass from the opposite direction that added to the confusion that started on the first pass. More screams and moans increased the confusion that was occurring in the clearing. They had no idea whatsoever as to what was happening there. The next pass, Terry shut off the facial lights and turned on the second set of lights he had installed in the wings. There was a dozen on each side and they flashed on and off resembling lightning flashes. This time his pass was at a much lower altitude and the moans and screams were louder than before.

Total pandemonium reigned in the clearing below the plane. People running in all direction not knowing what sort of monster or devil was seeking them out or what was going to happen to them. Ted and Josh had stationed themselves in a position where they could observe Terry's antics, and found themselves awed and amazed at the actual occurrences. Had they not been privy to Terry's plan, they too surely would have had second thoughts as to what they were witnessing there.

It was really very frightening to someone who was not aware that an RC plane was causing all that turmoil. Not an actual ghost or spirit as they were imagining. The effect of the lights and the guttural sounds and screams, plus the constant panic among the observers was very real to them. One more pass with all the lights flashing at once and the screams coming from the dark sky solved the problem of the uninvited trespassers. They were scared as they scrambled back to their cars trying to get away from whatever airborne menace was threatening their very being. Cars parked on the nearby road were starting up and racing away down the street, trying to avoid being engulfed by this fiery monster in the sky above. In a few minutes the entire clearing was abandoned and left quiet.

No one in sight, save Ted and Josh who had witnessed the entire charade produced by Terry and his Senior Kadet. An RC job well done. Ted and Josh extinguished all the lighted candles, while Terry brought the Kadet in for a landing after all the cars had left the area. Ted later cleaned out the area and planted more trees. Every time Ted, Josh and Terry get together they enjoy a good laugh about that night's work. To this day, that group has never been heard of again.

Once again I would like to express my most profound thanks to Mr. George Werder, one of our 495th members. Mr. Werber, who in the past put on a night time flight demonstration that so truly amazed me that it has stayed with me all these years. I just applied that principal to this RC tale. I am sure if you also had witnessed the flight of George's aircraft, all lit up in many colors moving across the dark night skies on that late evening, not looking like a plane but a fully illuminated Christmas tree gracefully seeking a place to come down to a resting place so that it could pass on happiness to everyone present at that time and place.

As for the existence of the two actual cult meeting places, one is in Salem N.H. called Mystery Hill Caves, with which you may be familiar. The other one was in Haverhill MA at a tree nursery owned by my brother in law, which he had destroyed after notifying the police and other parties who were encroaching on his property.

Next month, Terry and Josh go on vacation to a California horse ranch where they get involved with drug smugglers.

Worst Definition of the month

Landing Gear: Structure to separate fuselage from runway after landing. Does not always succeed in doing so.

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