



JULY 2023

# HANGAR TALK

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE MINIATURE AERO SPORTSTERS

## CLUB PRESIDENT-MIKE FEITINGER

Happy 4th of July everyone! Hope you had a great holiday! Our field is looking great thanks to all the rain we have been receiving and also thanks to Bill Howlin for all the mowing.

### **Next meeting will start at 0900!...**

Effective this month we will start the monthly club meeting at 0900 again.

### **Save the date...**

Our annual Fly-in event is September 23rd! Come on out and have some fun flying your favorite aircraft and eat some good food! Starts at 0900. For more information email Mike Feitinger.

### **Congratulations to Jack Dunkle!...**

Jack won "Best Classic Aircraft" at Warbirds Over Denver at Jeffco Aeromodelers and also at the Summer Scale Classic at Love Air in Ault, CO for his outstanding models!

Happy Flying!, Mike

### **COMING EVENTS CALENDAR**

**NEXT MEETING JULY 22ND  
AT THE FIELD 0900**

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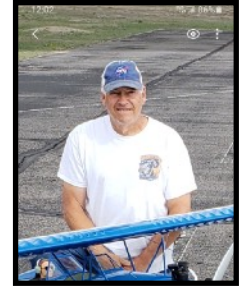
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**CLUB VICE PRESIDENT-JACK DUNKLE**

Hello July! Hope all are having a great summer and lots of flying. I wanted to post a quick note about an estate sale of rc equipment from our late friend and fellow rc pilot Larry Litsey. I am doing final inventory and once finished all equipment will be posted on our Google Groups with my contact info if you would like to buy any of these items. I will also start bringing some of this equipment to the field on Tuesday and Saturday for people to have a look at some of these planes and equipment. This inventory list will also be sent out to our club email list. Stay tuned for more info.

Have fun Flying, Jack

**CLUB TREASURER-BILL HOWLIN**

**The gate code has been changed!** You should have received an email with the new code, effective June 1st. **DO NOT SHARE THE CODE WITH ANYONE!!** Even if you think they paid their dues, have them call me at (720) 988-6336. We had to change the code again due to someone giving it out to non-members.

**SAFETY OFFICER-KEN ROBERTS****Flight line Safety by Mike Feitinger**

Filling in for Ken this month I wanted to take a moment to talk about safety on the flight line. I know most members are conscientious about being safe, announcing intentions loudly so others can hear them, and being observant of what's going on on the runway and infield while you are flying. However, I have observed some complacently with safety procedures concerning the flight line at the field.

Let's start with some basics. When you are flying your airplane, there is a designated "safe area" to fly in. It starts at the "flight line" which is the line at your feet that extends left and right of you to infinity (like all the way around the world). You should never fly "behind" the flight line (the side towards the pits). This includes doing turn around maneuvers.

Another area of concern is the announcing "coming out!", "taking off", "landing!" and "**on the runway!**". People **have been hit** by aircraft while retrieving their disabled airplane in the infield!! The other pilots flying simply "were not aware" that there was someone walking on the runway. You should not be taking off, landing, or doing a low pass when there are people on or near the runway area! If you are in the air, climb up and away from the persons in the area and wait. If you must land, only do so when it is safe by coordinating with the individuals retrieving their aircraft. If you're on the ground, don't takeoff. Wait until the persons on the infield are back safely in the pits. This may require you to shutdown your engine and wait.

Which brings up situational awareness. When you are flying your aircraft, try to be aware of others and what they are doing. This can help you anticipate a potential conflict.

You may ask, why do we need to observe these rules? Obviously we want to mitigate the risk of having someone get hurt by a rogue aircraft. By "practicing what we preach" we greatly reduce the possibility of having an accident from an aircraft that is in the wrong area at the field. If you have a lazy attitude about following the rules and guidelines at the field, you greatly open yourself up to risk.

Be safe out there!



MORE ODDS & ENDS

from Roy McGee

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 WITH A TOP SPEED OF 864 M.P.H., THE F-100 SUPER SABRE WAS THE FIRST JET CAPABLE OF REACHING MACH 1 IN LEVEL FLIGHT.  
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 ON APRIL 27, 1956, THE F-104 STARFIGHTER BECAME THE FIRST JET TO EXCEED MACH 2 IN LEVEL FLIGHT. NOT LONG AFTERWARD, IT BROKE THE SOUND BARRIER WHILE CLIMBING, THE FIRST JET OF ANY KIND TO DO SO.  
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 THE FIRST JET AIRCRAFT TO BREAK MACH 3 WITH SUSTAINED FLIGHT WAS THE LOCKHEED A-12 (LATER DESIGNATED THE SR-71). IT DID IT SOMETIME IN MID-1963. CAPTAIN MILBURN 'MEL' APT BECAME THE FIRST PILOT TO EXCEED MACH 3 WHEN HIS BELL X-2 RESEARCH CRAFT HIT 2,094 M.P.H IN A DIVE IN 1956 BUT THE PLANE TUMBLED AND CRASHED. ON OCTOBER 14, 1965, A NORTH AMERICAN XB-70A VALKYRIE BECAME THE SECOND JET POWERED AIRCRAFT, AFTER THE LOCKHEED BLACKBIRD TO SUSTAIN A SPEED OF MACH 3.  
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 BOEING AIRCRAFT OF SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, INTRODUCED THE MODEL 247 IN FEBRUARY, 1933. IT WAS MADE ALMOST ENTIRELY OF METAL RATHER THAN WOOD, AND IT HAD THE ADDED MARGIN OF POWER AND SAFETY. IT WAS THE FIRST MODERN AIRLINER CAPABLE OF CARRYING TEN PASSENGERS, PLUS A PILOT, CO-PILOT, AND STEWARDESS, AND IT PROVIDED A GALLEY, A LAVATORY AND SPACE FOR BAGGAGE AND MAIL.  
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 IN 1910, A YOUNG BARNSTORMING PILOT NAMED EUGENE ELY WAS THE FIRST TO FLY HIS AIRPLANE FROM A RAMP BUILT ON THE DECK OF A UNITED STATES NAVY CRUISER. TWO MONTHS LATER HE LANDED HIS AIRCRAFT ON ANOTHER NAVAL VESSEL. THE FEAT WAS MADE POSSIBLE BY AN INGENIOUS ARRESTING GEAR, ROPES STRETCHED BETWEEN SANDBAGS, THAT SLOWED AND STOPPED THE PLANE, A CURTIS PUSHER THAT HAD BEEN PIECED TOGETHER FROM TWO WRECKED ONES.  
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 THE WORLD'S FIRST EJECTIONS SEAT, WORKING WITH A CHARGE OF COMPRESSED AIR, WAS INSTALLED IN THE GERMAN He 280. IT ALSO HAD A RETRACTABLE TRICYCLE LANDING GEAR.  
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 THE HUGHES-KAISER HK-1 (THE SPRUCE GOOSE) WAS CONSTRUCTED AT CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA. IT WAS PROPOSED IN THE SUMMER OF 1942. IT'S COMPLETED SECTIONS WERE MOVED FROM CULVER CITY TO LONG BEACH FOR ASSEMBLY JUNE 11, 1946. ON NOVEMBER 2, 1947, HUGHES GINGERLY NOSED THE \$28 MILLION PLANE INTO THE AIR FOR A BRIEF FLIGHT ONLY 70 FEET ABOVE THE HARBOR.  
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 GERMANY'S ANTHONY HERMAN GERARD FOKKER DEvised A SYNCHRONIZING MECHANISM THAT PERMITTED A MACHINE GUN TO BE FIRED FORWARD BETWEEN THE SPINNING BLADES OF THE PLANE'S PROPELLER.  
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 IF YOU ARE NERVOUS ABOUT FLYING, ALWAYS TRY TO TAKE YOUR OWN BOMB ALONG. THE ODDS OF FLYING ON AN AIRLINER WITH A BOMB ON BOARD ARE 1,750,000 TO 1. THE ODDS OF FLYING ON BOARD AN AIRLINER WITH TWO BOMBS ON BOARD GO OUT TO 117,000,000,000 TO 1.  
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 ALWAYS TRY TO FIND THE LOCATION OF THE 'BLACK' BOX, (IT IS, IN FACT, BRIGHT ORANGE) SINCE IF THEY EXPECT TO RECOVER THIS IN THE EVENT OF A CRASH, THERE MUST BE A BETTER THAN AVERAGE CHANCE OF SURVIVAL IF YOU ARE SITTING ABOVE IT.  
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 ONCE UPON A TIME, TWO GIRLS WERE OUT WALKING. SUDDENLY A FROG JUMPED OUT IN FRONT OF THEM AND SAID, "I'M A R/C MODELER CHANGED INTO A FROG BY A WICKED WITCH. THE SPELL CAN ONLY BE BROKEN IF A PRETTY GIRL KISSES ME." ONE OF THE GIRLS PICKED THE FROG UP AND PUT IT IN HER POCKET. "AREN'T YOU GOING TO KISS HIM?" ASKED THE OTHER GIRL. SAID THE FIRST, "HECK NO. A TALKING FROG IS WORTH LOTS MORE THAN A R/C MODELER ANY DAY."  
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[thanks, Roy -ED]

## **Meeting Minutes / June 2023**

- Meeting held at Keffer Field on June 24th, 2023.
- Meeting Called to order by President Mike Feitinger at 9:30am.
  
- President Michael Feitinger-Present  
Vice President Jack Dunkle-Present  
Treasurer Bill Howlin- Present  
Board member Lee Overholt- Present  
Board member Mark Nicastle- Present  
Board member Bob Salmon-Present  
Safety Officer Ken Roberts- Not present
  
- Attendees-14
  
- Treasurer's Report: Given by Bill Howlin. All accounts in good standing. Currently 48 members.
  
- Old business:
  - By Laws amendments are in progress.
  - Cell tower hotspot update: Jack Dunkle is researching this option to give us internet/VOIP access at the field. This will allow for cameras/weather station access on the website.
  - Larry Litsey's RC estate is being inventoried and eventually listed for sale. Stay tuned!
  
- New Business:
  - Congratulations to Jack Dunkle for winning awards at both Warbirds and Classics over Denver, and Summer Scale Classic events for his models!
  - Wood stove chimney needs repair, Jack Dunkle is planning on replacing it this fall.

Motion to adjourn and seconded at 9:40am.

**FREE!**

**ALL AIRCRAFT WELCOME!**



**COME OUT AND FLY WITH US!!  
SEPTEMBER 23RD, STARTS AT 0900**

**AMA EVENT #14070**

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