

THE TRANSMITTER

February 2018 EDITION

DAVENPORT RADIO CONTROL SOCIETY

President's Report

Hi all,

Another month closer to flying season! Been a bit chilly around here lately but that will soon change. -- I hope.

The last meeting was at the Davenport Municipal airport and was well attended, over 40, by my account. Funny how when there is a beautiful 3/4 scale P-51 around, people show up. Thanks again to John Biondo for his hospitality and letting us get up close and personal with his bird. (he even had cookies!!) Really an impressive aircraft and a flawless paint job.

Our first event of the year is this coming week end, Feb. 10th at Northpark Mall. Same location as last year, which is the Younkers Court front and center, a great spot. Set up will be Friday, and Dave could use a little help at the barn at 4:30, and set up at the mall at about 5-ish. Lots of hands make short work, so please show up if you can. Show will go from opening at 10 to 1 or 2, depending on how it goes. Get there early to drag stuff in, unencumbered by the masses, when the mall opens at 10. We have access starting at 8. Don't forget to bring a bag chair. I think we have the sims arranged, and there should be 3 of them. Please plan on sticking around and talking to folks and helping man the sims, etc. Raffle will be at 1 or 2 p.m., with tear down immediately following. Sounds like Shawn will provide the trailer for the return trip to the barn. Again, please help if you can. For those who missed it, Dave Colgan was on Paula Sands Live the other day with a nice segment on the Mall Show, nicely done Dave!!

The meeting on the 12th is back at the usual spot, Eastern Branch, Davenport Library. Will talk about the new format for good weather meetings we are going to try. Meetings will remain on the second Monday of the month as always. We will be bringing a grill to fire up, and hope to have it going by 5 or 5:30. Anyone who wants to bring something to throw on the grill can do so, and, maybe bring a little something to share. We will fly and cook and, generally, have some fun at the field. The idea is to have a very casual fun fly type event for anyone to try if they want, just for kicks. There will be a short meeting at the usual time, 6:30-ish, followed by more flying as weather and light permits. We thought maybe this would increase participation at the meetings--we will see. Tim Arp is going to show us the Facebook page at the meeting and see how it looks. (if we can get the library AV stuff to work) We also will need to talk about the next event which is the Swap Meet on 3/10/18 as it will take place

The Transmitter Page 2

the Saturday before the March meeting. So start thinking about that, and get those tables reserved if you have not already done so.

That's all I got for now-- see ya Saturday at the Mall!

Steve

MINUTES OF THE 18 DECEMBER 2017 MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 by President Steve Thompson in the Biondo hanger at the Davenport Municipal Airport.

There were 28 members and no guests present.

The Treasurer's report and Minutes were omitted.

BUSINESS

Mall Show – Set up for the show will be Friday February 9th in the Younker's Court. The stanchions will be loaded at 4:15 at the barn at Seven Cities. The Mall doors open at 8AM Saturday. This would be the best time for setup of aircraft. The stores open at 10AM and the crowds start then. Three simulators have been arranged. Dave Colgan will not be available for tear down, Shawn will have a trailer to haul the stanchions, etc. back to Seven Cities. The Raffle plane will be an E-Flite Carbon Cub RTF. We've also ordered 45 balsa gliders as giveaways for the younger visitors.

Survey follow up – Communication among members was an issue brought up in the survey. Options were discussed including FaceBook and email lists. Tim Arp is managing our FaceBook account. He will demo the capabilities at the February meeting. Other options were Rainedout.com to use phone calls to coordinate events and TeamSnap for email and text notifications.

Summer meetings – We will be trying to have a monthly get together at the monthly meetings. A grill will be available and members are encouraged to bring something to eat.

Swap Meet – The Swap Meet will be held March 10th at St. Mark's Lutheran Church.

Scale Meet – The CD is sending requests for prizes, if anyone has a contact please left him know.

CRASH TROPHY - The Crash Trophy was not awarded this month.

The Transmitter Page 3

PROGRAM – John Biondo discussed his Titan T-51 3 4 scale Mustang. A tremendous aircraft, well worth the trip.

February Meeting – The February Meeting will be February 12th at the Eastern Avenue Branch of the Davenport Public Library.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15.

Bits & Pieces:

A little more on the Mall Show: The Raffle Plane is the HobbyZone Carbon Cub S+ Ready to Fly, a good entry level plane.



Also, there will be a limited number of balsa gliders to hand out to youngsters. We need to talk up the hobby. There will also be the club T-shirts for sale for \$15.



Swap Meet – March 10 – St Mark's Lutheran Church – Davenport: I have only received requests for 11 tables out of 40+ possible. We will need to discuss how many tables we need to be viable.

David Colgan 563-940-9385

The Transmitter Page 4

2018 Events:

Feb 10 Feb 12 Feb 17	DRCS Mall Show DRCS Meeting Fox Valley Aero Club Swap Meet	Norht Park Mall, Davenport Eastern Ave Library St. Charles, IL
Mar 10 Mar 12	DRCS Swap Meet DRCS Meeting	St. Mark's Lutheran Church Eastern Ave Library
Apr 6 – 8 Apr 9	Weak Signals RC Show DRCS Meeting	Toledo, OH Eastern Ave Library
May 14	DRCS Meeting	Frye Field
Jun 11 Jun 23	DRCS Meeting DRCS Fun Scale Fly In	Frye Field Frye Field
Jul 9	DRCS Meeting	Frye Field
Aug 13 Aug 26	DRCS Meeting Iowa Aerohawks Air Show	Frye Field Iowa City, IA
Sep 10 Sep 15 – 16 Sep 21 – 23		Frye Field Frye Field Erie, IL
Oct 8	DRCS Meeting	Frye Field / Eastern Ave Library
Nov 12	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Dec 10	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library

Check the AMA Events Schedule either in **Model Aviation** or online for future details on non-club events!

DAVENPORT R/C SOCIETY OFFICERS

President:Steve Thompson563-332-1885Vice President:Rodd Schick563-449-8172Secretary:Harley McClure563-359-4167Treasurer:David Colgan563-940-9385

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Phil Vernon Chuck Balser

Dave Jensen Dirk Oosting

NEWSLETTER EDITOR
David Colgan

WEBMASTER
Phil Vernon

Next Meeting Monday, February 12th 6:30 p.m.

Eastern Ave. Library Davenport, IA

Visit us on the web

www.davenportrc.org

or



Davenport Radio Control Society David Colgan 2961 Greenview Drive Bettendorf, IA 52722