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The Newsletter of the Cloud Kings Radio Control Club - Oxford, PA.

Get Ready for the Fun-Fly!

President's Corner

It's hard to believe, but we are fast approaching our first event this year. Our Fly-In is scheduled for Saturday, June 17 at Harris Field. This year it is different because we are NOT asking for all our members to come out and work, but to come out and FLY! Yes, you read it right. We are shifting from a "work" event to a "fly" event. We are not planning a lot of food, just sodas and maybe some chips. This will really cut the workload and allow all those previous workers to fly instead, which is what it's all about anyway.

I am urging that all members come out, bring your family, maybe a picnic lunch and your favorite aircraft to fly, or if you're timid display it for all to see! The public and other flying clubs in our area are invited too. We will have the usual raffle also. If you need more information call Brian Swarts or myself and plan to attend our next meeting on June 13 at West Field.

We have some new members joining the Club that you will want to meet. Welcome to Mark Stevens who was admitted at our April meeting and to Rick Taylor and Carl Olszewski who have signed on as prospective members. Those needing to get connected to an instructor should call Jeff Conner for that assignment. Rick and Carl will be voted on for full membership at their next attended meeting.

As stated in the last newsletter, my purpose to improve our structure and capabilities includes our new admission procedure now in place and a more formal training program being developed under Jeff Conner's leadership. You are also seeing a change in our approach to "Fun Flies" under the experienced leadership of Brian Swarts.

Based on our success on June 17, we should consider another fly event in September. We are planning a second annual Swap Shop in October which will incorporate the learning from last year.

I hope that you are all taking advantage of our two fine flying fields and the camaraderie of your fellow members.

See you all at the field!

Dick Plyler

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Fun-Fly 2000

This year, we're putting the fun back in the funfly. As a change from the usual "Air show" hosted by a group of hard-working Cloud Kings members, we are planning a fly-in where the focus is on flying. Sodas and maybe some snacks will be sold instead of the usual barbecue, leaving us more time to enjoy the event. Bring your airplanes and radios and plenty of fuel, and plan to have a good time.

A copy of the flyer is included in this mailing. Please post it so that others will know of our event.

Membership Complete

Our membership renewal period is now over. We have a total of 40 full members, three life members and two provisional members.

The current membership list is attached to this newsletter.

June Meeting

Our June meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 13th at 7:30 PM at West Field. Please plan to attend as we will be finalizing details of the funfly at this meeting.

The Malinkrodt Files

It didn't take long this spring for our neighbor at West Field to start complaining about the noise. Your officers have a new plan of action in dealing with Mr. Malinkrodt that you may be interested in learning more about. Attend the next meeting to learn more about this sensitive topic and to give your input on what we should do next.

Picture of the Month

This month's picture is of my Concept 32VR with modified landing gear. A pair of old sneakers and some wire-ties give an amusing look to a stock model. It actually flies, although flight performance is sluggish due to the added weight.



Look for "bigfoot" at the fun-fly!

Why is this Newsletter so Short?

With my helicopter waiting for repair parts and a two-week business trip to Germany taking up much of my spare time for May, I have not spent much time thinking about RC activities lately. Our president was the only contributing author for this month's newsletter, so it is shorter than usual.

As the editor, I must again ask that the members (or at least the other officers) contribute something to our newsletter.

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