# "Prop Kicks"

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

## Signing Off

#### President's Letter

For all but the hard-core flyers, the flying season is over now and it's time to put away the aircraft and equipment, do some repairs, or start a new project. Still, there will be some decent flying days between now and spring, and West Field is open, so I plan on keeping a plane ready to fly so I can get out when the weather breaks. I encourage everyone to do the same. Harris Field is open unless the "Tide bottle" is at the entrance.

If you do put a plane away for the winter, there are a few steps you can take to ensure it's in good flying shape when you bring it out next year:

- 1 Run all of the fuel out of the motor. Fuel left inside the engine can cause corrosion.
- 2 Put some oil in the carb and glow-plug hole, and turn the prop to work it through.
- 3 Batteries should be discharged to 1.1 volts per cell (4.4v for a normal pack) or some prefer to put them on trickle charge.
- 4 Thoroughly clean and inspect the plane, and fix anything you've been putting off. Cover it up to keep the dust off.

At the next meeting, we need to set some dates for our summer events next year. I'll also bring an idea I've had to get more people to the fields next year. Please try to attend the meeting and speak up if you have any ideas to make the club better or solve problems that you see.

#### **December Meeting**

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM at the West Grove Fire Hall.

This will be a busy meeting, as we will be planning for the swap meet, nominating officers for next year and planning next year's activities.

Please plan to attend.

#### **Membership News**

Membership renewal forms are included in this mailing of the newsletter. You will need to renew both your AMA membership and your Cloud Kings membership.

Members should plan on renewing their Cloud Kings memberships at the upcoming December meeting if possible. The February meeting is your last chance and if you don't renew before that meeting, you'll no longer be in the Cloud Kings.

Please don't forget to renew.

The following prospective member was introduced at our October meeting:

Prospective Sponsor
John Anderson Tom Lauletta

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### Signing Off As Newsletter Editor by Leif Thomson

After almost five years of producing the club newsletter, I have decided that it is time to let someone else take on this exciting job. If any of the club members have some desktop publishing skills and could spare the time to do this, please let the club president know. We hope to have a new editor in place for the January edition.

### January Swap Meet by Mark McQuaide

Dick Plyler has organized a swap meet for January 29th which promises to be a major R/C event for the region. I know I have a lot of odds and ends in my basement workshop that I need to get rid of, so I plan on being there. There will be vendors as well as individuals selling R/C products so it will also be a great opportunity to stock up for spring.

### Homemade Airplane Cleaner by Mark McQuaide

Here's a recipe for airplane cleaner that I've been using for several years. It cuts through goop and puts a great shine on covering, especially if you buff it with a soft cloth:

10 parts Water2 parts Alcohol1 part Ammonia1/4 part liquid dish detergent

Get a spray bottle and give it a try sometime.

#### Thanks to the Cloud Kings from Bill Losey

I would like to express my thanks to all of the members of the Cloud Kings who have supported me with cards, letters and visits these past months. At times like these, you really get to appreciate the value of the friends around you.

I hope to be up and about soon and look forward to seeing you all again.

### Items For Sale by Richard Donham

Reducing my stock a bit. If you are interested, call Richard Donham at 610-932-0634; or, e-mail at donhamr@zoominternet.net. Selling as is, but I am happy to answer questions.

Duratrax Intellipeak Deluxe Pulse Charger with AC converter. Provides peak detection with adjustable fast charge, 10 amp discharge, cycling function, other bells and whistles. \$40.

3 quarts of 4-cycle Tower Power, Hobbico digital voltmeter, with Tx and Rx lead, all for \$15.

Covering tools: sealing iron, trim sealing iron, heat gun, Top Flite stripe cutting tools, \$20 for lot.

Covering: Selling Ultracote and Oracover 2 meter rolls. Unopened rolls: cub yellow, lux blue (2), white, green, lime green, white (2). Partial rolls of blue, teal, red, translucent purple, orange. Selling as a lot, \$35.

Saito 30 4C engine. Lovely jewel of an engine, quieter than some electrics. In box with muffler. \$80

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### Items For Sale (Continued)

Goldberg Mirage 550 with ferrite motor, speed control, 2 power batteries. Includes carrying caddy. Dick Plyler built this from kit, flown quite a lot, in good shape, lovely flyer. \$40



Cap 21 from Great Planes kit. This is a nice sport scale model (72" wing) of an early member of the Cap series of full scale aerobatic planes. Flies good (fast) with a .strong 90 two-stroke. Flown few times, decided to retire it before it retired me, in storage for several years. Comes with stand \$70.



Irvine 40 & O. S. 40 FP 2 Cycle engines. Both for \$35

Deweyville Special. Built from a Simcoe kit I got from Bill Losey, out of production at least 15 years. Parasol wing takes some getting used to, but this is a slow, gentle flyer, flew nicely with the Enya 80 I am selling separately.



Enya .80 4C engine. Run very little, very nice running engine, in box with tools and instructions. With muffler, which it probably doesn't need. \$100.



Building wood-balsa, spruce and basswood. This is graded AAA, mostly from Lone Star Models. Sheets, all at least 3x36", a few larger: 2 of 1/16; 19 of 3/32; 14 of 1/8; 8 of 3/16; 9 of ½; 3 of 5/16; 1 of 3/8. Plus lots of sticks, 1/8, ¼, 5/16, ½. Also, many Sticks of spruce and basswood. Plus, plywood sheets, up to 24 x 48" in size, both lite ply and regular in 1/32, 1/8, ¼, 3/8. Selling entire lot for \$40.