# PROP KICKS

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From the President's Bench

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The In-Door Fly-in season wrapped up this past Sunday the 29th. Although we were snowed out on three Sundays, the last two were enjoyable for all present. At our last Fly-in on Sunday the 29th, The In-door Flyers donated \$250.00 to the HEART for HANA fund. Great job guys! At the officers meeting plans were made to have the field and driveway rolled about the middle of April. Also discussed was the need for some repairs to the flying stations. Planning for those repairs is now in progress.

Dates have been set for our usual club functions. The Buy and Fly will be held on Saturday 6/13/15, the annual Club Picnic on Saturday 8/22/15 with a rain date Sunday 8/23/15 and Octoberfest on 10/13/15.

Now that the days are getting longer and the sun is getting warmer, its time to charge up those battery's, fire up those motors and start planning for another great flying season. That's all for now.



It's show time. The WRAMS show was held on February 20th through the 22nd at the Secaucus

Expo Center in Secaucus, NJ. Having spent the weekend at the show, I won't call it a disappointment but you could easily see that the internet has taken its toll on shows like this. The crowds were much lighter than in years past and there were a few vendor booths were left unsold. On the plus side, the static displays were outstanding, which gave the attendees an up close look at some fantastic models. See the photo report on all the sights at Secaucus.

As I write this, I'm preparing for my trip to the Toledo show. Fellow VR/CS member John Haffner and I are hitting the pavement Thursday for an eight hour drive to Toledo. As with this issue, I'll have a report in the next issue of Prop Kicks.

Until then, see you at the field.

#### Mike

#### Submissions to Prop Kicks

Prop Kicks is a bi-monthly publication of the Cloud Kings RC Club. Your pictures, ideas, articles are needed for publication. Send your submissions to: Editor@Cloudkingsrc.org. Please submit your articles and photos in electronic format by e-mail or cd. Dates for submissions are January 15th March 15th May 15th July 15th September 15th November 15th.



#### In The News

#### In Memoriam

Club Member John Forlino passed away recently after a long illness. John joined the club early last year and was starting flight training with John Hoopes before he became ill. Please keep John and his family in your thoughts.

#### **Heart for Hana**

Six month old Hana, the granddaughter of John and Marie Anderson needs your help. Hana is in need of a heart transplant after being affected by a virus. Hana was found to have an enlarged heart due to left ventricular dysfunction and was essentially in heart failure. Over the course of a few days, Hana's parents have had their lives turned upside down as her heart has deteriorated immensely and is no longer capable of supporting her. Hana is under constant care and needs financial help to cover the cost of her medical bills. Thanks to you, the club donated \$250 from the last indoor flying session at North East High School but more is needed. A website has been started for Hana, at http://www.gofundme.com/hanasheart. A goal of \$100,000 has been set and so far, only a fraction has been donated so help Hana receive the heart she needs.

#### Your Response to the FAA NPRM is needed now

On February 23, 2015, the FAA published its proposed regulations for small unmanned aircraft systems (sUAS) as a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM). This began a 60-day period during which the public can comment on the proposed regulations. When finalized, the proposed rules would become the safety regulations for operating small, nonrecreational, unmanned aircraft. The NPRM references FAA's June 2014 interpretation of the Special Rule. The AMA has taken exception to several aspects of FAA's interpretation. Aside from this and one exception that may impact model aircraft manufacturers, the new proposed rule essentially takes the language in the 2012 Special Rule for Model Aircraft (the AMA amendment) and places it in the federal aviation regulations. The AMA encourages all members to submit comments commending the FAA for appropriately separating model aviation from the new regulations and to include in their comments the need to resolve the discrepancies stemming from the Interpretive Rule before finalizing the sUAS rule. The AMA has created a suggested template for comments, in which you are encourage to edit and personalize. Unless extended, the deadline for submitting comments is 11:59 p.m., Friday, April 24, 2015. Go to http://www.modelaircraft.org/aboutama/ AMA sUAS NPRM Response.aspx to view the template and submit your comments.

# Scene at the Field and the Bench



Here's a photo from a couple years ago of Dick Plyler and his SIG Rascal.







Earl McMullin is busy with his version of Joe Raspante's Snow White Earl is hosting a build thread on RC Groups. Go to http://www.rcgroups.com/forums/showthread.php?t=2269426

**WRAMS Report**The 47th annual WRAMS Show was held at the Secaucus Expo Center in Secaucus, NJ on February 20th through the 22nd.



# **WRAMS Report**













# **Toledo Report**

This year's Toledo show featured multi-rotors, foamies, radios that can talk, play music, and provide real time telemetry. Some of the display models are pictured here. You can see more on RC Groups forum. http://www.rcgroups.com/weak-signals-show-2015-938/



# **Toledo Report**













### The Last Word

### Calendar of Events

4/25/2015 - 4/26/2015 Lums Pond IMAC Challenge Delaware R/C

5/16/2015 - 5/17/2015 Spring Fling 2015 for HLG. Site: White Clay Creek State Park. Silent Knights Soaring Society

Buy and Fly: Saturday 6/20/15 West Field

Club Picnic Saturday 8/22/15 rain date Sunday 8/23/15 West Field

Octoberfest 10/13/15 West Field

The club Buy 'n Fly event will be held on Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>. It's time to pull that under used stuff you have stashed away under the bench and get it to someone who might have a use for it. Vendor spaces are \$10 and flying is \$5.00. Lunch will be served for donations. FMI: Mike Denest 610-316-3570.

