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Note: Be sure to read our featured member's profile in this article!

Membership Message From The CSF Board

Hello Silent Flyers and welcome to another flying season with the CSF! We are about to embark on yet another exciting season of flying our all electric RC aircraft at our excellent flying field. The club officers met over the winter and are planning a number of club sponsored events for this year. We are also still considering new event suggestions. If you would like to consider sponsoring an event please contact one of the club officers with your suggestion.

As always, the safety of our members and spectators is a primary concern. Please familiarize yourself with the club safety rules posted at the field before flying this year and always respect them. The safest flying club is one where all the members consistently adhere to and promote good safety behavior.

In a few short weeks we will be routinely flying outside again and we know that all of our members are looking forward to it after a long winter. We wish you a very enjoyable flying season and look forward to seeing you at the field. If we can do anything to improve your enjoyment of the club then please let us know.

The CSF Executive Board



Don't Miss Out - CSF Dues are Due!

At \$55/Individual and \$75/Family, a membership in the CSF is about the best deal on the planet earth. Where else can you enjoy some of the best RC flying experiences in the area, get expert flight instruction and usually find an expert to give you support on a maiden flight for that new plane you are a bit scared to try on your own? Plus several free outdoor picnic events with hot dogs, cold drinks, and complete access to the flying field to meet your own busy schedules. Hard to beat!

Gate access codes change in early March and will be emailed to dues-paying members. If you don't want to miss a single flying opportunity, then send your annual dues to our new CSF Treasurer Kevin Krieg!

Field Maintenance Report

Hi Pilots!

As we begin a new flying year our focus will be on getting the field back into shape after a long winter. Our plans for the field are similar to last year in that we will be supporting a regular mowing schedule of field and entrance areas. This year we also plan to

continue to mow the higher "brush" areas on a more regular schedule which we began doing later last year. This enhanced the flying experience for our members and made recovery of "downed" aircraft much easier. Not to mention that the entire field just looks a lot better when it is all being mowed.

We hope to keep planned "field maintenance days" to a bare minimum by again keeping our hand trimmed areas under control with vegetation control treatments (Roundup).

Please help us keep our field in great shape. If you see a tree limb or debris on the field then take a minute and remove it. Any big sticks that can be picked up in the field really help out Denny when he is mowing so please do what you can when you have a few spare minutes between flights. If we all do just a little then nobody has to do a lot! If you see something that needs maintenance then please drop me a note so that I can follow up on it.

Take Care and Keep Flying!

Jerry Biscopink

- Field Maintenance Coordinator



Club Safety Office Update

Give Props to Props!

Flying season is just around the corner fellow Silent Flyers, maybe just a few days away if the weather holds.

Hopefully the "building season" has been good to you and there is some new hardware to show off at the field.

It's also a good time to look over your old faithful aircraft and pay particular attention to the props. Minor prop strikes and damage can do more than unbalance the prop. A damaged prop, even if its just the tip has a much higher chance of "letting go" especially as our planes get larger and more powerful (though even the little ones turn high rpm's). Over the winter the heating and



A little help from everyone keeps our field in excellent condition!

cooling will only weaken the prop further.

So it there is any question about the integrity of your prop, take this time to treat your aircraft to a new one.

Safe Flying!

Craig "Ace" Eisentrout

- Field Safety Officer

The Future of Flite Test

For those of you who are Flite Test fans be sure to catch up on their latest plans to build a new flight park in Northern Ohio. A lot of us fly Flite Test products and should find this information interesting. Here is a link to the announcement of the kickoff to raise funds for their new facility: https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=2lyQj9M2MhY



CSF Featured Member

Koril Seperghan

(Editor's Note: The CSF has many interesting and truly outstanding members. This section is used to spotlight a member in each edition. In this edition we learn more about one of our newer members, Koril Seperghan. We asked him to tell us a bit about his background in aviation which you can read below.)

I grew up in Chicago, IL where the winters last about 9 months. My earliest memories are aviation related. I would say that aviation has always been in my blood. When my father and I attended our first airshow, I remember being so fascinated watching those wings come alive. At that moment, I knew that I wanted to be part of aviation. My first experience with radio control models was in the second grade. I was at the library when I stumbled across a book explaining how radio controlled models work. It was love at first sight! I began with plastic models and rockets, then moved up to control line airplanes. When I had finally saved enough money from shoveling snow, I purchased my first kit, a Carl Goldberg "Sophisticated Lady". It took me three months to build it-- and about 5 seconds to crash. I never had the support from a local flying club like the CSF so I learned everything the hard way.

The hobby lead to my choices in higher education. I received a degree in science and a license to work on aircraft. I joined the Air Force and crewed B-1

Bombers for six years. During my time in the Air Force, a close friend of mine was in a horrible motorcycle crash. If it wasn't for a Life Flight helicopter, he would never have survived. I then decided to take a helicopter intro flight in an R22 Robinson helicopter. When the pilot lifted the helicopter into a hover, I knew that flying helicopters was what I was going to do for the rest of my life. I finished my contract with the Air Force and transferred to the Army where I learned to fly Boeing Ch-47 helicopters. I've been deployed three times, accumulated hundreds of combat flight hours and even survived one helicopter crash. I'm blessed to be alive and to have honorably served for 15 years.

I'm currently a Deputy and fly helicopters for the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office. I just completed my first year and truly love my job. It is so nice patrolling the Cincinnati area from the air and not worrying about getting shot down by rocket propelled grenades.

I always stress to parents how important it is to get their children involved in this hobby. This hobby built such a solid foundation for me and really paved a path to who I am today.

Koril Seperghan

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