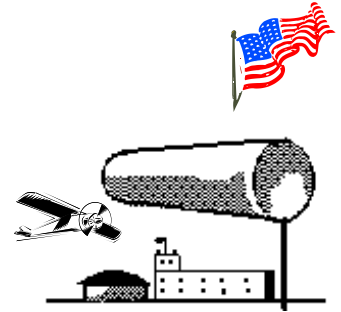


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GETTING READY FOR THE NEW SEASON



Gene Fuson has been busy this winter getting his E-flite RHAPSODY ARF ready for the coming flying season. It has a wing span of 47 inches and length of 38.9 inches. Designed for a 25 size electric motor and 3 cell Li-Po battery, naturally Gene put in a Hobby King G32 electric motor, 4 cell 3300 mAH Li-Po battery, Plush 60 Amp ESC and Hitec HS-225 servos. Looks like that is about a 25% to 33% Hop Up, it should really move. Note the fancy black granite work bench!

Unfortunately the maiden flight will have to wait a bit as Gene had a torn rotor cup that was not healing and was schedule for repair surgery March 1st. Hope to see him and the new plane at the Club meeting on March 12th. Hmmm, I seem to remember another Club member that was flying at the field a few years ago with his arm in a sling. Maybe Gene will give it a try!

THE EDITOR'S NOTE PAD

With the February meeting cancelled and not much good weather for flying, we have an abbreviated Newsletter this month. Things should get back to normal next month. Had a little snafu on last month's Newsletter, the front page said it was the MARCH issue instead of the FEBRUARY issue. Sorry about that.

As of this date, we have 13 paid members. We hope that all of last year's members will renew their membership for 2013. After the March meeting, the Club Secretary must notify AMA of the Club's current membership. Hopefully we will not have to drop anyone from the Club roster. But if you do not renew your membership by the March deadline you can still renew your dues any time during the year and we would urge you to do so.

Have been to the field several times and no one was there. Have talked to other members that said they were at the field that day but at a different time. Email would be a good way to let other flyers know when you will be at the field and maybe they will be encouraged to join you. It is easy to set up an email group then just say "I will be at the field (date & approx, time)" and hit send.

Time to land for this month.....ed.

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|--------------------------------|-----------|------------|-------------|
| BALANCE | 2/1/2013 | \$1,671.98 | \$ 1,453.98 |
| INCOME-DUES ----- | | \$ 160.00 | \$ 800.00 |
| INCOME-SHIRTS&CAPS | | \$ - | \$ - |
| INCOME-FOOD ----- | | \$ - | \$ - |
| INCOME-50/50 ----- | | \$ - | \$ 3.00 |
| INCOME-MISC ----- | | \$ - | \$ - |
| EXPENSE-FIELD ----- | | \$ 64.48 | \$ 489.48 |
| EXPENSE-NEWSLETTER | | \$ - | \$ - |
| EXPENSE-SHIRTS&CAPS | | \$ - | \$ - |
| EXPENSE-FOOD ----- | | \$ - | \$ - |
| EXPENSE-AMA ----- | | \$ - | \$ - |
| EXPENSE-Web ----- | | \$ - | \$ - |
| EXPENSE-meeting room | | \$ - | \$ - |
| EXPENSE-MISC ----- | | \$ - | \$ - |
| BALANCE | 3/1//2013 | \$1,767.50 | \$ 1,767.50 |

2013 DUES ARE DUE!

Club 2013 dues were due as of January 1, 2013. If you fly at Rocky Top Field on or after January 1, 2013 you will need a current (2013) AMA card.

If you are going to renew your Club membership at the March meeting, bring your 2013 AMA card. If you are paying by check, make the check out to "Tri-Lakes R/C Flying Club. You may also pay your dues in cash.

The dues schedule is as follows:

1. **FULL MEMBERSHIP - \$80 per year.**
2. **ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBERS - \$5 each per year.**
3. **ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP (non- voting) - \$15 per year**
4. **STUDENTS - Free Club membership but must be a current AMA member.**

If you joined the Club during 2012 talk to the Treasurer before paying as you may get a discount on you 2013 dues.

If paying by mail, send your dues to Roy Steinestel at 142 Homestead, Kimberling City, MO, 65686.

YOUR 2013 DUES ARE DUE!!

Below are the names of the 13 members that are current in their 2013 Club dues.

Bud Austin, Fritz Corbin, Gene Fuson, Jim Haney, Reeder Jones, Don Johnson, Dave Medley, Greg Moody, Randy Needham, Erv Rohde, Howard Shire, Roy Steinestel and John Woods.

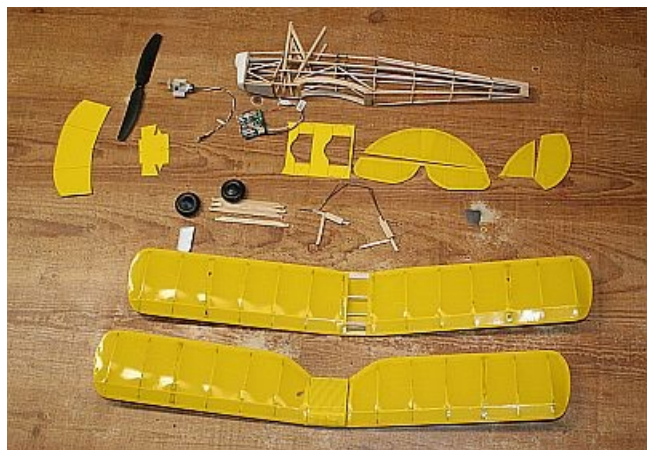
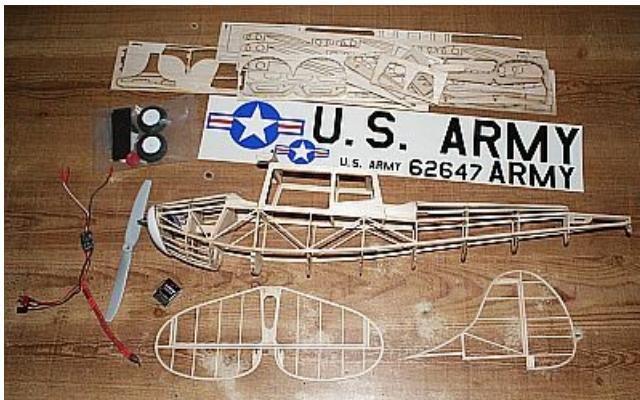
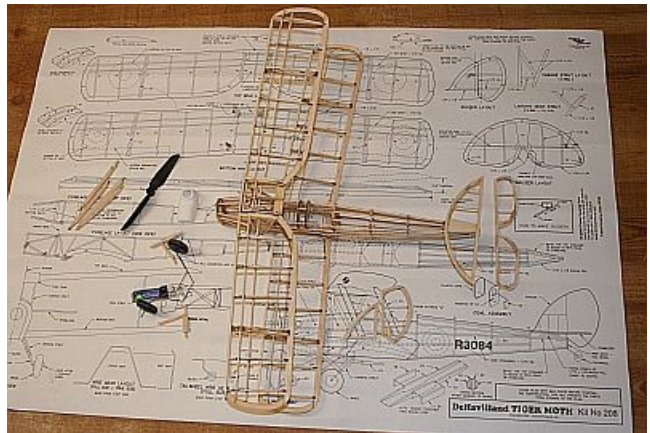
If you feel your 2013 Club dues are current but you are not on the above list contact Roy Steinestel for needed corrections.

Thought the Newsletter for March was done but John Woods sent info on a plane and radio for sale that looked like it might be interesting to some of our members so if you are, call John. The plane is a Ultrasport 60 with a 70 engine and a Futaba FASSST radio, all for \$400. It is a Carl Goldberg model and has been flown once.



Above is another view of Gene Fuson's Rhapsody. Pretty sharp. Dig the detail on the prop!

Your editor has also been busy building this winter, with real balsa wood. To the right is a couple of shots of a Dumas walnut scale (17.5") Tiger Moth. It will have the same motor and electronics as the Park Zone P-51. The plane below is a 40 inch Dumas Bird Dog. Both planes are three channels.



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SAFETY FIRST

Well, it certainly has been too cold for some of us to fly our airplanes at the field. A lot of us are busy building new planes, or in some cases repairing older ones that have suffered the effects of gravity. Take the time to make sure that you are building/repairing safe reliable airplanes, and at the same time, make sure you check all the connectors, servos, nuts and bolts for tightness. Gently pull on the elevator, rudder and ailerons to see if they are still securely attached to the airplane.

See you at the field,
(When it warms up a bit)
Gene Fuson
Safety Officer

**THE NEXT CLUB MEETING WILL BE
MARCH 12, 6:00PM, AT THE SOUTH-
PORT CONDOMINIUM CLUBHOUSE.**