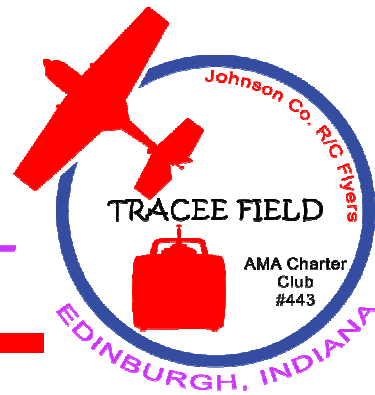


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# Hangar Talk

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## From the Prez' Club President Stan Durnal



### "Moving Forward"

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Boyd Helstrom Memorial Warbird Fly-in is now history. From all indications, the fly-in was well-received, and considered a great success. A big "thank you" to Mike for CD'ing the event, as well as to all those who assisted in the kitchen, set-up, tear-down, and field prep. The field looked great, and all who were involved should be proud of a job well-done.

With some assistance from John Hudak, the OV-10 was successfully flown, much to the delight of Albert Eck. Being someone who is unaccustomed to "twins", it took a few moments for the butterflies to subside after one engine went sour, and a rushed landing ensued. Both engines were still running at touchdown, and the "ever important" taxi back, so maybe it only needs a little more "tweaking".

The Hoosier Dawn Patrol is scheduled for Aug 17, (prior to next meeting) and just a reminder for those who might be camping... AMA now charges for tent camping, and those wishing to do so must stop by the museum and register.  
(\$5)

The city-wide fly-in is to be held on Sept. 8 and they are looking for team participants. Any wishing to form a team and represent the club @ the Madison Co. field, please get in touch with me at the meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup>.

On a personal note: thanks to all who have expressed concern regarding my wife's condition. We still have several procedures and tests to endure in the next few weeks, and appreciate your thoughts and prayers in our behalf.

As always: "Fly Safe, Have Fun".  
Regards,  
Stan

- -- Upcoming Club Events --**  
- Hartnut Fly-in -- September 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>

**The VP's Perspective**  
**Club Vice President Mike Bryant**



Hello All

Well it's been a month gone by and some good things gone by. First thing is I have been under the weather and haven't been out to the field for a while but I think I'm getting better.

The warbird has come and gone and I would like to take the time to thank everyone who had a hand in helping to make it what I think was a great success. THANKS TO ALL!! I have talked to some spectators that were there and they all say it was a very good show. There were plenty of prizes, a raffle and 50/50 and good food and a lot of airplane to see and weather was great. Some of the pilots I talked to said they had a great time and was looking forward to next year to come back. I think we as a club do know how to put on a great show. Again I say thanks to all from painting to food to just cleaning up for this is what it takes to make it all happen. As for me I had a good time. Fred and I camped out the first night and Randy and his brother Jay and Randy's boy PJ ha ha camped the 2nd night. Well that's all I have for now remember the meeting every 3rd Monday of each month at 7:30.

See You Out There,  
**Mike**

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Fred Rasener – Recording Sec.**



**Meeting Minutes**  
**July 16th, 2007**

Meeting called to order at 7:30 with 18 members present 1 guest

Pledge of allegiance

Treasurer's report read and accepted \$2059.45 total

Minutes from last meeting read and approved

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Randy Shwersenska has patched the driveway potholes using 17 bags of cold patch. It is somewhat soother now.
2. The tree by the driveway has a dead limb that needs cutting so if a member with a saw is so inclined it needs trimming.
3. We have several student pilots at the present time. Brian Cassidy has now soloed. David Winiecki is also getting closer to solo flight. Thanks to all that have helped.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Randy Shwersenska has purchased a smoker for the kitchen and he is taking contributions toward paying for it and several club members have stepped up to help.
2. Our Warbird meet is coming up on July 21<sup>st</sup> with Mike Bryant being the CD. Set-up will be on Friday night. Can use some ice for the kitchen early on Saturday. The meet will be run without the usual transmitter impound and frequency control will be like a normal flying day.
3. Steve Maxwell replaced the flagpole rope as the original was already shot.

**EVENTS**

1. Nats in Muncie July and August
2. JCRCF Warbird Fly-in July 21<sup>st</sup> Mike Bryant CD
3. NATS July and August in Muncie
4. Hoosier Dawn Patrol August 17<sup>th</sup>

SHOW AND TELL none

Meeting Adjourned at 7:55 pm



**From the Editor**  
**Dennis Runge**

Hi everybody.

Well, another Warbird Fly-in has come and gone. From all the feedback that I have gotten it was a GREAT success. Thanks to Mike for cd'ing again this year and doing another outstanding job. And another big "thank you" to all that helped set up, tear down, work kitchen and whatever else had to be done to make this year's warbird another successful event. I also want to thank Brian Cassidy and Steve Wright for the pictures for our web site, Thanks fellas.

Our next annual event is the Hartnut Fly, September 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, so keep this date open if you can. This is a "fun fly" open to all and any types of planes that goes hand-&-hand with the events going on in the park that weekend.

Many of the schools will be starting in the next week or so be extra careful in your travels for kids waiting on the school bus and for the buses themselves.

Enough said. See you at field. HAPPY FLYING.

***Denny***

**Only in America.....do drugstores make the sick walk all the way to the back of the store to get their prescriptions while healthy people can buy cigarettes at the front.**

**Only in America.....do people order double cheeseburgers, large fries, and a diet coke.**

**Only in America.....do banks leave both doors open and then chain the pens to the counters.**

**Only in America! .....do we leave cars worth thousands of dollars in the driveway and put our useless junk in the garage.**

**Only in America.....do we buy hot dogs in packages of ten and buns in packages of eight.**

**Only in America.....do we use the word 'politics' to describe the process so well: 'Poli' in Latin meaning 'many' and 'tics' meaning 'bloodsucking creatures'.**

**Only in America.....do they have drive-up ATM machines with Braille lettering.**

**Club Safety**  
**Safety Officer- Steven Maxwell**



I was wondering the other day why we haven't been contacted by groups doing UAV testing at the base, well wouldn't you know Wed. we had visitors and they needed to use channel 52 for testing as there main military frequency had failures, I explained how it had been done last year, that they should contact me or Denny before they start testing and when they leave, I also showed them the system we used last year and they was glad they had come over to see how much we wanted to help them. I also gave them my cell # so they could call me when they were done. Well as of Friday I still haven't heard from them so I called the contact I had from last year Mike Pilkenton and was glad he remembered me in fact he thought I was one of his buddies was pulling a practical joke on him, once he figured I was who I said I was he informed me he had been promoted to be over all UAV projects for the military, and he was surprised that they guys testing hadn't got hold of us earlier. So he's going to send out orders for all testers to contact us before they get here and when they leave. I let him know how much we want to not only cooperate but to help in anyway we can, he said what he missed about his new job title is he won't be able to come to our field after (work) at Atterberry, he said he had such a good time flying with us and hopes to make it back someday.

***Steven Maxwell***  
*Safety Officer*

**SPECIAL NOTE:**

We only had 2 people that came to our field to practice for the pattern Nats this year Glen Watson has been here for the past 5 out of 6 years and was Jim Sheffield's first trip here. Well Jim was walking around like a little kid with a new toy he loved our field, he said he really liked how well it was setup, maintained and organized. They said to make sure the members know how much they appreciate the hospitality and great people they met here. I'll also add Glen Watson won Masters class after many years being in the finals, many of you that got the pleasure of meeting Glen knows what a great person and champion he is.

***Randy's Ramblings***  
***Roving Rptr. - Randy Schwersenska***



Hi All

Well Boys -- The Warbird event was a huge success and I got a kick out of our Contest Director, Mike Bryant, sitting in his wheelchair folding chair barking out orders from his throne.

I've been approached by many members telling how they look forward to my roving reporter column and think it is funny and witty and etc. etc... Well I have news for you guys. Join the ranks of Charlie the Tuna in search of good taste and put down your comic books if you think this is good writing.

***The Roving Polish Reporter***

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In every moment of our lives, we must be alert to danger and be ready to respond appropriately in order to avoid injuries and even death. At my job, we take a proactive approach to danger by stressing safety and working to identify dangerous situations before they cause accidents. Losing a worker because of an accident has a negative impact on everyone in the workplace. Likewise, an accident at home or at the airfield can have very long term effects on family and friends and serve to make our fun times less enjoyable.

Recently, I drove to the field for a day of flying and fun. Everything was just fine and the planes were flying very smooth. The weather was beautiful and the temperature was bearable. The day was so nice that the park service was mowing the grass around the flying site. I sat and visited for a while with the few that were hanging out. As the mower continued to work, I grew more impatient to get in the air and take advantage of the nice day. Initially I was hesitant to fly while the mower was present because it just did not seem right to put a plane up with the mower in the area. I guess my safety radar that I have developed over the years was trying to tell me something. After I witnessed another pilot make a flight, I decided I was just being a little paranoid and besides, nothing could go wrong because the mower was on the ground and my planes typically stayed in the air. I fired up the plane and away it went. The flight was enjoyable with no unexpected excitement at least until I decided it was time to return to the ground. As I flew around the pattern to land, I became very focused on controlling the plane because experience has taught me that this is the time that things can go wrong in a hurry. As the flight progressed, I completely forgot about the mower. As the plane moved down the glide path towards the end of the runway, all of my thoughts were completely on the plane and what it was doing. Suddenly, it struck me that the mower was mowing across the end of the runway and from my location, it appeared as though I was about to perform a Kamikazee attack on it. My response was to pull the plane up and it sailed over the top of the mower and continued toward the runway. At it touched down, it bounced a little and then stalled causing it to hit the second time in a less than perfect manner. I was still rattled from the near miss and I failed to land the plane effectively. Fortunately the plane had a minimal amount of damage and more importantly, the mowing person was safe to mow another day.

I wanted to share this even though no one was hurt and damage was minimal. As I thought about this on the way home, the realization of how serious this might have been really hit me. Even if an injury had occurred and a minimal one at best, I am more than confident the Park Director would have been less than pleased with my attack on the worker. Furthermore, I really doubt the worker would have been very pleased with my bombing run on his equipment. In addition, it might have jeopardized the existence of the flying site or at least put the need for the site in question. All of this occurred because I wanted to get in the air and my patience was running short. I learned a valuable lesson that day and I am very thankful there were no injuries.

Safety is a priority at my work and we should make sure it is a priority at the field also. Even with a focus on safety, accidents will occur and we need to be very diligent in trying to identify potential hazards. I am very proud of the wonderful site we have and I will do everything I can to make it secure. Everyone has my apologies for failing to listen to my safety radar. Always remember, if it feels a little funny, don't chance it!

Fly safe!  
J. Hann

**Next Meeting:**  
**August 20th, 2007**  
**Parks Office**



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