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Next Meeting: Date: Wednesday, January 3

Time: 7 PM Video & 7:30 meeting, EAA building

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Wing-It Project

From John Hoover of Flightline Hobby
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Good morning Ken,

Hi, this is John from Flightline Hobby. I have come up with a design contest I would like to share with you and your cool newsletter. In the past we did Skymasters kit bashes and had a lot of fun with it. This year I want to open things up more and welcome more builders to the mix.

My new project is called "Wing It" where the contestants all build using the basic built up wing. They design their own fuselage and tail. There are certain things they can't do and requirements for what they can. All is spelled out in a rule sheet.

It is all pretty straight forward. There is a 56" tapered wing that is pretty easy to build. I sell a contest kit pack for \$24.99

that gives them the laser cut ribs and sub leading edge, full scale plans a photo CD of the wing being built and a basic written instruction sheet with 15 steps or so building a wing.

The whole idea is to get a few new builders that veteran members can help to try a design of their own.

We will meet up right after the Toledo show and judge each other on fit and finish, originality etc.

Flightline will sponsor the event and then we will have at least one flying event at Skymasters. PMAC has shown a lot of interest this year so we may have another flying day there.

I would love to see what some of your friends might come up with.

Thank you for the consideration.
Good flights!
John

Helicopter Frequencies

21,27,29,39, 41

Sailplane Frequencies

11, 12

Flightline Hobby “Wing-it” Design Contest 2017/18

Goal: To create a fun design and building event that allows modeler creativity. This event can be very simple from building a basic square body trainer type high wing model (Newer builders) or the contestant can design a more elaborate airframe to reflect a different model. Example P-51, F-86 etc...

The contest “wing-it pack” will be available at Flightline Hobby for \$24.99. In the Pack you will get laser cut ribs and sub leading edge set (Quality cut by Mark at Retro RC), full scale plan sheet, Laser picture disk of the wing being built as well as a printed instruction sheet of the wing being built. Rules: Wing ribs need to be left alone and used in their entirety. You may vary the spar slot if needed. You cannot increase or decrease the thickness of the ribs or change their chord width. To allow different wing tips or wing designs there will be a wingspan maximum of 70”, 56” is stock. No minimum span. It is OK to sheet the wing, add more wings, add more of you own ribs as long as all of the original, unmodified ribs are used.

The fuselage, tail, and control surfaces can be manipulated into any shape. Power plant can be any type: Electric, Glow, Fusion powered etc... You will need to design in a bomb drop mechanism (No fusion there please) for one of the contest events later.

All the contestants will meet in March/April (Date announced later) to share in their completed models. Each contestant will give a brief presentation of their models and its unique properties. Then the contestants will judge each other (anonymous). Models will be judged on the following:

#1 Fit and finishes Scores: 1 need a bit of work to 5 Wow is your name Davinci?

#2 Uniqueness Scores: 1 ARF Fuselage to 5 wow; that is really a neat model.

Also a prize for first time kit builders.

Flightline will donate the prizes in gift certificates. Feel Free to contact me (John Hoover AMA 5429) 248-814-8359 at the store if you have questions or need help with the design or building of your model.

My goal is to get a few modelers to glue some stuff together and have some fun. Building your own model will make you think about many things, both in its design and construction. I won't build or design your plane but I love this part of the hobby and will gladly help you carry it out based on your ideas.

We will have at least one flying event later in the season as well. Skymasters and PMAC have expressed interest in contests using this plane. Stay tuned! John

The December Social Meeting

Wednesday, December 6 was the annual social meeting.

Everyone gathered to enjoy the ‘goodies’ that were brought. There were lots of great desserts, especially that Traverse City Pie Company pie, and some other delicious snacks.

The evening was spent talking about anything that came to mind.



A few folks brought items to exchange in the “I don't need it, someone else might be able to use it” gift exchange.

Most of the exchanges seemed to be quite a hit this year.

The Upcoming January Meeting

The next Midwest meeting is on Wednesday, January 3 at the EAA building.

There will be an aviation related video starting at 7:00 p.m.

The guest speaker will be Ken Myers. His topic: Reading a LiPo Battery Label and Selecting a Battery Charger.

Our new president, Roger Wilfong, will take over the business meeting after the guest speaker.

Again, a HUGE THANK YOU to Arthur Deane for taking care of all of us for the last nine years!

Indoor Flying At the Legacy Center

There is indoor flying at the Legacy Center on Wednesdays. The Legacy Center is located at 9299 Goble Dr., Brighton, MI 48116. The flying time is from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. The cost is \$10 per drop-in session or \$150 for a seasonal membership.

We are so very fortunate to have TWO great indoor facilities in our 'backyard'.

Enjoy them both.



Brand-new Spektrum DX6e and Matching AR610 Receiver for Sale

From Dave Lewis (Midwest Member)

Email: davelewis.629@gmail.com

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The pair sell new for about \$180.

<https://www.horizonhobby.com/dx6e-6ch-system-w--ar610-receiver-spm6650>

Contact Dave, make him a reasonable offer, and you could start off 2018 with a nice, new radio system.

Some Photos of Our Models by Bob Boulware

Bob is the gentleman that comes to our field with his camera. Here are a few shots he wants to share.



To change your email address contact Ken Myers at kmyersefo@mac.com

The 2018 membership application is available at the club Web site,
<http://www.midwestrcsociety.org>,
for downloading with the link on the homepage.

Upcoming Events:

Tuesdays, Indoor flying at the Ultimate Soccer Arenas, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., Oct. 24 - April 10 (details in this issue)

Wednesdays, Indoor flying at the Legacy Center, 9299 Goble Dr., Brighton, MI 48116. Flying time: 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., The cost is \$10 per drop-in session or \$150 for a seasonal membership.

January 3, Wednesday, Monthly Midwest RC Society meeting, EAA building, Canton-Plymouth Mettetal Airport, 8550 N. Lilley Rd., Canton, MI 48187

7:00 p.m. Aviation related video

7:30 Meeting

Guest Speaker, Ken Myers

His Topic is noted in this issue

Please Get Your 2018 Membership Application, copy of Your AMA Card and Check for \$100 to Lynn Morgan, club secretary
ASAP

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Place: EAA building, Mettetal Airport, Plymouth, MI