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Time: 10:00 a.m., Place: Midwest RC Flying Field

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EFO Flying Meeting Reminder

Please keep in mind that summer EFO flying meeting dates are tentative because of the weather.

Everyone is welcome and proof of current AMA membership is required to fly.

Spectators and visitors are always welcome.

The next EFO monthly flying meeting is scheduled for Saturday, September 6, at 10:00 a.m. at the Midwest RC Society 7 Mile Rd. Flying Field.

Check the EFO Website for any possible changes.

<https://theampeer.org/>

Change of Email Address Requested

By Ken Myers

A reminder for *Ampeer* subscribers. If you wish to continue receiving the monthly notice, please update your email address whenever you change it.

Thanks,
Ken

Indoor Flying at the Legacy Center in Brighton, MI for 2025/2026

Info From: Bruce DeLong of the Hamburg Club

“Indoor flying at the Legacy Center has been confirmed for this fall and winter.

From Fred: It is set in stone, winter flying is from Oct. 1st until April 29th. The time is as usual 12:30 till 2:30.”

Wednesdays are the flying days from 12:30 to 2:30.

The Legacy Center, 9299 Goble Dr, Brighton, MI, 48116.

<https://legacycentermichigan.com/>

Twin Star RC Plane

From Tony Cornell via email

Ken,

3 years ago I was at your July electric fun fly and won the Twin Star ARF.

You can see by the picture the plane was converted to a float plane. I fly it from water and land. For land flights I remove the wing floats.

As you said, this is a very nice flying

RC.



I am using Badass motors, Badass ESCs, APC 8x6 props (normal on left and pusher on right) and a 3S 2200mAh LiPo.

I don't remember the motor size and wind.
Motor Differential is used for steering.



It is not my only float plane. My Martin MARS has a 120" wingspan and weighs 27 pounds. It uses Leopard motors and 4S 2000mAh LiPos.

It is made from construction foam from Menards.

It is covered with .020" veneer from Home Depot.

I also flies from water or land.

Have a good one.

Tony

Chris Cannaert Memorial Parking Lot Sale From Joe Hass & Nankin Hobby

This is a parking lot swap shop at Nankin Farmington. Chris was one of their employees. His family will be selling his hobby stuff, mostly cars.

As noted below, no charge to attend. Tables are \$15.00 each.

Please pass it on.

Joe Hass
248-321-7934



Chris Cannaert Memorial Parking Lot Sale



Nankin Hobby Farmington
33350 W 9 Mile Rd, Farmington, MI 48336
11am-5pm - 08/23/2025

Join us on August 23rd, 2025 at Nankin Hobby Farmington for the Chris Cannaert Memorial Parking Lot Sale! We'll be setting up tables for customers to sell their Hobby-items, so, if you're looking to get into a new project for fall as we close-out summer, or you're looking to move away

from whatever you were into over the summer, this might be the perfect opportunity!

If you'd like to sell your stuff, tables will run \$15 each (max 2 per person). If you're just looking to check out some good deals, attendance is free. All proceeds from tables will be donated in Chris' name to his favorite animal shelter.

The sale will run from 11:00am to 5:00pm on 08/23/2025. If you'd like to reserve a table, stop into your favorite Nankin Hobby Location and ask an associate!

We'll see you there!

Nankin Hobby - Westland, MI - Farmington, MI -
Ypsilanti, MI - Southgate, MI
<https://nankinhobby.com/>

Beware of Scam Website selling BadAss, Cobra and Tempest Brushless Motors!

From Innov8tive Designs via email

We just discovered that there is a new website which has popped up that contains stolen content from our website on it. They are attempting to sell our BadAss, Cobra and Tempest motor brands, as well as our line of 3D-Printed Motor Mounts on this site at huge discounts. The web address of this new site is:

<https://www.salesbrushlessmotors.com/>

DO NOT BUY ANYTHING FROM THIS WEBSITE!

This website is not associated with us in any way, and they do not have any products to sell, so please do not fall victim to this scam! Please pass this information on to anyone else that you know in the hobby, so we can make sure that nobody gets scammed by this unauthorized dealer offering to sell our products in able to steal money from unsuspecting customers.

Best Regards,
Lucien Miller
President & CEO
Innov8tive Designs, Inc.

RV-8 Comment

From Mark Wolf via email

In the August 2025 issue of the *Ampeer*, I noted that I was very impressed with Mark Wolf's Flex Innovations RV-8 60E G2 Super PNP Electric Airplane as flown at the 2025 Mid-Am. He sent along the following email.



https://www.amainhobbies.com/flex-innovations-rv8-60e-g2-super-pnp-electric-airplane-red-1925mm-fpm4870c/p1567468?gad_source=1&gad_campaignid=18970472354&gbraid=0AAAAAD_WU4Ak20PZyis68mOWAuGPrG4An&gclid=Cj0KCQjwm93DBhD_ARIsADR_DjEZDNjtWzeulg59b9d1kA_tsshWTFGjz1Cnw5RnEoe2e8bQHMBnYnMaAkNQEALw_wcB

Hi Ken!

I just read the latest *Ampeer*. Thanks again for a great event!

The RV does use more channels than you might expect but it uses 2 aileron channels for Crow mixing as well as channels to control gyro modes and if you go with the night flyer option you can control the lights remotely as well.

It is important to note that the Aura gyro system included with the RV can use SBUS from the receiver. With many radio systems you don't actually need a 7+ channel receiver as the only output you'll be using is SBUS.

For example, with Spektrum, you can fly the plane with just a Spektrum satellite receiver. No need to buy an eight channel unit.

She isn't a cheap bird to be sure...but if you told me I could only have one plane in my fleet. it would be that one. Keep an eye out for sales on Flex's web site. Sometimes you can get a break on the price of the carbon gear or floats.

Mark Wolf

A Charger Warning

Let's Be Careful Out There
From Pete Foss via email

I was very lucky my charger picked the charging station at our field to go nuclear.

I was charging a pair of SMC 6S 5000mAh on my ISDT P10 dual output charger at 5 amps. Less than 125 watts per side on 29VDC. Less than half the rated capacity.

I went to check on them and the display was dark.



Then I realized the charger had melted down. One battery is fine. The other one has a good voltage of 25V but the balance tap is welded to the charger's balance board. It may be salvageable with a replacement balance plug if the insulation in the leads isn't compromised.

I've charged those two packs dozens of times since I picked them up at SEFF. Including on my fireplace hearth and the plastic tables at Jet Jam. Any other location could have been much worse.

I don't think it was caused by anything the batteries did since they didn't go off. I have never seen a charger just melt down either though.

Pete

The Midwest RC Society and EFO Joint Meeting and Midwest Open House

What Grand and Glorious Day!!!

Saturday, August 2nd could not have been a more perfect day for this Event. There was almost no wind, the temperature was mild and quite pleasant. The sky was clear, except for a tiny bit of Canadian wildfire smoke.

Joe Hass brought the Mid-Am prizes that he had collected from our sponsors;

Dubro
Nankin Hobby
West Michigan Park Flyers
Prop Shop Hobbies
Beacon Adhesives

Thanks so much goes to Joe and our sponsors!

Joe had those that had registered for the Mid-Am select a prize.



Ken Sutton was there with his grandson. His grandson is just getting into RC flying. Joe "outfitted" him with a plane, motor, ESC, glue and more to get him started.

Joe also distributed prizes to the Mid-West members.

What about the other registrants of the Mid-Am? Well, Joe contacted them and sent them their raffle prizes. I mean a HUGE, HUGE thanks to Joe for taking this all on!!!



Dave Stacer took on first flights for a whole family of visitors; mom, dad and the two boys.

Dave can be seen flying one of his students in the background, while **Roger Wilfong** can be seen chatting with **Joe** and **Chris Hass** in the photo on the previous page.



Here's a close up view of Dave and his student and the folks gathering in the background.



Dave was a very, very busy guy! The photo shows him with his youngest introductory flight student, and there were many more to come.

Ken Myers came out of retirement to fly another guest on his first RC introduction flight.

Midwest RC Society president, **Greg Eilers**, provided that field lunch of hot dogs, chips and water.



Denny Sumner manned the grill and everyone enjoyed the feast. ;-)

Greg and Denny can just be seen behind the canopies. Thanks so much gentleman.



Joe Hass and his son, **Chris**, demonstrated using galloping ghost for controlled RC flight with his AstroMite. Joe and Ken were the only ones there that had seen and used that method of RC flying. **Keith Shaw** had had a previous commitment.



The Astromite had a great flight as Joe controlled it with this "old style" radio. Very nice!

There was a lot of flying by the members of Midwest and the EFO.

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Upcoming E-vents

August 23, Saturday, Chris Canaert Memorial Parking Lot Sale, Nankin Hobby, Farmington, MI, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

September 3, Wednesday, Midwest RC Society at the flying field at 6:00 p.m. Come early and fly. 2026 Officer nominations will be opened.

September 6, Saturday, EFO monthly flying meeting, 10 a.m. Everyone with an interest is welcome. Proof of AMA Membership required to fly.

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Everyone seemed to enjoy the day very, very much.



Greg Eilers is owed a lot of thanks for setting up this event and presenting our hobby to the general public. It was a very successful day for that!



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Place: Midwest RC Society 7 Mi. Rd. Flying Field