



**AMA Club # 2013  
Year 2019**

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**Jayhawk Model Masters**

**Jan. Club Meeting Cancelled**

**Smith Center @ Brandon Woods  
Lawrence, KS**

*8:00 AM – Breakfast  
9:00 AM – Business Meeting*

**Schedule of Events:**

**Jan. 19, Club Meeting Cancelled**

Jan. 26, Prague, OK, Swap Meet

Jan. 26, Salina Indoor Fly-In

Feb. 2, KCRC Swap Meet

Feb. 9, Wichita RC Auction

**May 11, Jayhawk Open**

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**News-wrap**

As I sit here watching it snow this Friday night, I remember all the nice warm days we have had this January and I never took a plane out to fly. I did see some of you guys out there especially George Jones. Lance Holly and his group were out there testing their big helicopter last week. I believe it was 50 degrees that day.

Hey you won't believe who I ran into this morning at McDonalds; none other than Greg Kloepper and his son Chris. Greg is no longer managing the Texas RV park because it was sold. He just got his RV back from a warranty rebuild in Indiana. I invited him to come to the meeting this Saturday, but it is now cancelled.

I guess I need to make a decision soon on whether to rebuild my Yak 108 or not. Bill Miller promised to rebuild the wing again, but I noticed that the fuse is broke in half again as well. Bill was rebuilding his Pitts this winter, and I think he is almost finished with it. So, what are you guys working on?

***T'was the night before Christmas***  
*From; Patrick Deuser*

T'was the night before Christmas, and out on the ramp, Not an airplane was stirring, not even a Champ. The aircraft were fastened to tie downs with care, In hopes that — come morning — they all would be there.

The fuel trucks were nestled, all snug in their spots, With gusts from two-forty at 39 knots. I slumped at the fuel desk, now finally caught up, And settled down comfortably, resting my butt.

When the radio lit up with noise and with chatter, I turned up the scanner to see what was the matter. A voice clearly heard over static and snow, Called for clearance to land at the airport below.

He barked his transmission so lively and quick, I'd have sworn that the call sign he used was "St. Nick." I ran to the panel to turn up the lights, The better to welcome this magical flight.

He called his position, no room for denial, "St. Nicholas One, turnin' left onto final." And what to my wondering eyes should appear, But a Rutan-built sleigh, with eight Rotax Reindeer!

With vectors to final, down the glideslope he came, As he passed all fixes, he called them by name: "Now Ringo! Now Tolga! Now Trini and Bacun! On Comet! On Cupid!" What pills was he takin'?

While controllers were sittin', and scratchin' their heads, They phoned to my office, and I heard it with dread, The message they left was both urgent and dour: "When Santa pulls in, have him please call the tower."

He landed like silk, with the sled runners sparking, Then I heard, "Left at Charlie," and "Taxi to parking." He slowed to a taxi, turned off of three-oh, And stopped on the ramp with a "Ho, ho-ho-ho..."

He stepped out of the sleigh, but before he could talk, I ran out to meet him with my best set of chocks. His red helmet and goggles were covered with frost, And his beard was all blackened from Reindeer exhaust.

His breath smelled like peppermint, gone slightly stale, And he puffed on a pipe, but he didn't inhale. His cheeks were all rosy and jiggled like jelly, His boots were as black as a cropduster's belly.

He was chubby and plump, in his suit of bright red, And he asked me to "fill it, with hundred low-lead." He came dashing in from the snow-covered pump, I knew he was anxious for drainin' the sump.

I spoke not a word, but went straight to my work, And I filled up the sleigh, but I spilled like a jerk. He came out of the restroom, and sighed in relief, Then he picked up a phone for a Flight Service brief.

And I thought as he silently scribed in his log, These reindeer could land in an eighth-mile fog. He completed his pre-flight, from the front to the rear, Then he put on his headset, and I heard him yell, "Clear!"

And laying a finger on his push-to-talk, He called up the tower for clearance and squawk. "Take taxiway Charlie, the southbound direction, Turn right three-two-zero at pilot's discretion"

He sped down the runway, the best of the best, "Your traffic's a Grumman, inbound from the west." Then I heard him proclaim, as he climbed through the night, "Merry Christmas to all! I have traffic in sight."

## ***Dec. 15 Club Meeting***

It was nice to have some new faces at the Dec. club meeting. Steve Brown a new member back in October but attending for the first time. Steve is an Appraiser in Ottawa. Steve said he started by building stick and tissue like many of us have. He is currently rebuilding a Hobby Zone Super Cub that he crashed.

Scott Stondell was also a first-timer. Scott is from KC,KS and a member of the Wyandotte Rangers. He said he started doing some building as a kid. Scott attended our Big Bird event and flew our electric trainer. He mentioned that he bought a framed-up Patriot XL at last years KCRC Swap meet. I told him I sold one at the meet, so, it was likely mine.

We had a few more members at the Dec meeting; a number of 19 in attendance. We had no show and tell this month. Gary Webber said that he and Rob Dewhirst were planning to install a new router and webcam at 2:00 after the meeting.

We voted for a new slate of officers for the 2019 year; I think we did well again and look forward to the new year. Gary Webber reviewed the meeting that he and several officers had with Darin Pearson, the golf course director. All is well. I didn't note who won the Breakfast raffle, but newbie Scott Stondell won the 78" Lysander that we raffled. Welcome to the club Scott.



Bill Elkins was also selling some of his Airplane Library; many of us purchased books because the proceeds were donated by Bill to the club. Thanks again Bill. Below you will see Phil Abbadessa selecting something to buy.



## **Winter Projects?**

I personally don't have much going on except for the assembly of the FreeWing F-22. I am currently installing all the control rods on all the moving surfaces. The Rx is in and I was able to bind it to the Ix12 Tx. The retracts work great as well. See Here:



I was not a fan of the F-22 until I saw the F-22 demonstration flights at Oshkosh this year. They simply blew everyone away with full twin after-burners.

The only thing else that I am aware of is the 71" Value Hobby G-44 Widgeon that George Jones is putting together. Another reminder that I need to get back to my own G-44 assembly.



### ***New Media at the AMA Museum***

During the next few months, the National Model Aviation Museum will begin the process of creating 360 degree model views of its collection and integrating this into a new interactive display that can be also be viewed at home.

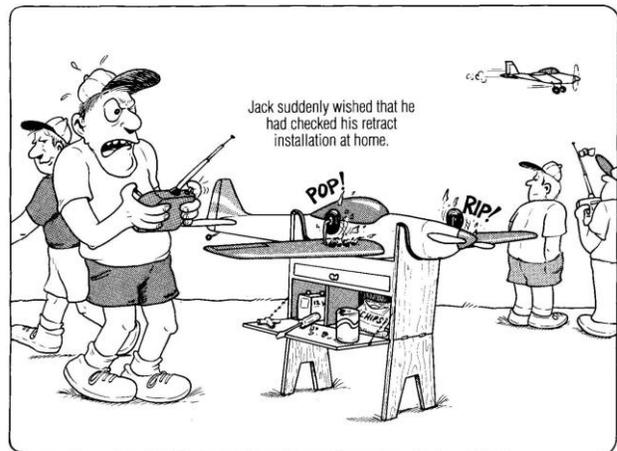
They plan to create an interface that houses all the wonderful content and bring viewers more information than was previously available. Not only will they have 360 degree views of models, but plan to digitize the entire collection for a more accessible way to visit the museum.

### ***Where did all the magazines go?***

**Model Airplane News** is the only one left other than the AMA magazine. **RC Modeler** is gone, **Model Builder** is gone, **Flying Models** is gone, and **Fly RC** is gonzo. Model Airplane News is getting much smaller as well. I guess this has something to say about the hobby as a whole.

### ***Glider Raffle***

We were going to raffle this Hobico 2 meter electric glider at the Jan. club meeting, so I'm thinking we will do that at the Feb. meeting.



See you all next month or at the KCRC swap meet at Lee's Summit, MO.