



**AMA Club # 2013
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Jayhawk Model Masters

July 20 Club Meeting

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

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

Schedule of Events:

July 20 Club Meeting

July 29, Warbirds over Perry
Aug. 17-18, Hillsdale Scale Fly
Sept 7, Sunchasers Giant Scale
Sept. 7, SMRCC Float Fly
Sept. 7, KCRC Warbird
Sept 14, Salina Giant Scale
Sept. 21, Topeka Giant Scale
Sept. 28, JMM, Lawrence Big Bird

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News-wrap

What a difference a few weeks make this time of year. We just finished the Jayhawk Electric yesterday at 91+ degrees heat, and just a few weeks ago on June 23 our field was flooded for at least the third time this year. This also meant that the Jayhawk Float Fly was cancelled on June 22 because the Lake was also still too high to get access to the lake and the boat ramps. They are still closed today July 14.

I trust the rest of the summer will be true to the form of hot and humid. Take note that the Warbirds over Perry event will be a week from the meeting this Saturday.

This photo was taken June 23 of the JMM flying field; wait just a minute, is that George Jones in the background unloading his Grumman Widgeon for the maiden Flight on our flooded field? And I forgot to ask him how it went. By the way, did you know that you can buy a full-size Widgeon for \$275,000.



Since our last meeting, I was able to attend the Topeka Fly-In on June 15, and our own JMM Electric yesterday June 13.

Here is George Jones making final adjustment to his Hanger 9 Super Cub at the Topeka Event. Unfortunately the aircraft, rolled into the far trees and suffered some needed repair.



Here is Vernon Nelson's new B-25 making a Photo Pass for the crowd.



Now the following photo is an airplane that has been around for a long time and still flying. This Morsey Bravo was originally built by Darrel Cordle probably in the 1980's and later sold to Bill Elkins. It was recently acquired by Bill Miller of the Topeka Club and fully restored with new covering and paint. The old yellow and white is now as pictured.



And finally, the lunch-time lineup of many of the aircraft for the spectators to look over.



It was so nice that I decided to fly all 3 warbird EDF's that I brought. This is what the underside of an F4 Phantom looks like with full ordinance.



The Jayhawk Electric was modestly attended in that we had 13 pilots for a really hot day, but the winds were generally 5 mph right down the EW runway. Overall pretty nice flying conditions. So nice that Bud Parks from Topeka was able to fly his para-sail aircraft shown below.



And here is the John LaGesse Corsair on takeoff. I think this is a Seagull aircraft.



We even took out the Timber for several youngsters that were there. George Jones can be seen giving instruction to one of the younger lads above.

Ron Stoll from Americus, KS was seen flying several airplanes. Pictured here is a pretty radical takeoff with his e-powered Hobbico Twin-Star.



George Jones was also spotted flying this powered glider.



Eight of the 13 registered pilots were from the JMM club. Three from the Topeka Blue Sky club. I think next year we should be able to double that number. Maybe mid-July is not the best time for this event? The Piper Cub raffle prize was won by Jim Morris.

June 8 Club Meeting

We had 18 in attendance at the June 8 meeting, one of which was Pat Morariety, not a new member but first time at a regular club meeting. We did not have a show & tell this month, a real rarity. The treasurer's report indicated with all bills paid we had a balance of \$4845.08.

We discussed alternate locations for the float fly, but none of those worked out. So it appeared at the time that the float fly would likely be cancelled and it was. SMRCC has a float fly schedule for Sept. 7 for all those with the urge to float.

The Randy Riess estate donated all the remaining aircraft and engines to the Jayhawk Model Masters which we do appreciate. A letter will be sent to the family.

A new windsock was installed at the field by the Parks & Rec department. We furnished the sock and they installed it. We do appreciate that.

Nate Ericson won the PT-17 monthly raffle prize, and he has since donated it back to use for a future raffle prize. Thanks Nate. One last thing, I believe Gary Webber and George Jones did the O-Ring repair on the mower. Thanks to those guys.

Bob Charlesworth "Trip to Wisconsin"

I get to bring my wife with me on a few business trips only during the summer as she is a Middle School Librarian and refuses to call in sick :-)

This year, we headed to Salt Lake City for business, then take a few days to head up to the Grand Tetons and Yellowstone - I've never been before. We try to take the "back roads" to really get to see America.

While we stop often for that "photo op" that all other drivers get ticked off looking at us at State and National Park signs, ever now and then I get to make the call on when to stop. Going through Wyoming, we were going through a small town - most of which I say the name of the town then forget it - but this one was different. No sure why as there were some nice multi-acre lots with nice houses out in the middle of "beautiful nowhere", but the town was clean yet not much going on this Saturday morning.

The airport was just off the main drag which was unique so I slowed down to take a quick look to see what's parked outside. Hey, that's an Aviat Aviation Husky! Yep, I build one years ago that was a Byron Originals model. Put a Christen Eagle scheme on the fuse and flew it quite a bit (wonder where that ended up?). Typical Byron model fiberglass fuse with injected foam wings with some balsa skins/rib strips. Had a 2.0 baby Sachs that handled it well.



But, I looked further and there were no less than 10 of them there. Okay, something is going on here. Jump on Google and yep, it turns out that is where they are made! Afton, WY. Ugh, it's Saturday and no one is there.

I was hoping to take a quick peek to see if they had any Pitts or Christian Eagles inside, but didn't want to appear too snoop as they had several buildings along the busiest street in town. That's all I need was to be sent to the local courthouse.

Prices were more than I anticipated - from about \$235k up to over \$375k - but beautifully built. I have lots of pictures (many of which are current on their website: <https://aviataircraft.com/>), but here was my favorite.



This one looked different and it's special - worlds first Tri-Fuel CNG (Compressed Natural Gas) and Low Lead Aircraft - note the unique canister on the landing gear. The belly tank was not there.

Article with this specific aircraft can be found at: <https://www.flyingmag.com/aircraft/pistons/aviat-introduces-dual-fuel-husky-cng/> Now, the article notes a TWO fuel system, not "TRI" so I'm gathering that this uses Gasoline, Propane and Natural Gas.



There are a few RC models available for this aircraft - one by Seagull with 80" wingspan (Sig Mfg sells for about \$337); an electric one by Groupner at 71" wingspan (\$330)

Needless to say, I was happy the rest of the day driving through the mountains, thinking about how much better they would look if I were in a Husky!