

JAYHAWK MODEL MASTERS NEWSLETTER

Jayhawk Model Masters | AMA Club #2013 | November 2023

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Club Meeting November 18th

Six-Mile Chop House, 4931 W 6th St,
Lawrence, KS 66049

11:00 a.m.: Lunch & socializing
Noon: Business meeting

Club meetings—normally on the
3rd Saturday of the month
except:

- No meeting in May or August
- June & September meetings a week early

2023 Flying Events

Dec. 2 – Monthly Night Fly-in*

Dec. 31 – Fly In the New Year*

Jan. 1, 2024 – Freeze Fly

*At Clinton International Model Airport
(JMM, Lawrence)

Newsletter Committee: Dave
Alexander (Ed. In Chief), Scott
Stordahl and Glenn Minor

2023 Club Officers

President Mike Randel
(785) 799-5287

Vice Pres. Jim Morris

Sec./Treas. Mike Weinsaft*

Field Safety Mo Belazrag

Board 3yr Patrick Deuser

Board 2yr John LaGesse

Board 1yr Phil Abbadessa

*currently unable to serve for health reasons

SEPTEMBER MEETING RAFFLE PRIZE



**Tower Hobbies [cleverly-named]
'Sport' 60" WS, .46-.55 GP EP
ARF**

OR

**Engine test stand
among other options**

October Club Meeting

By Scott Stordahl

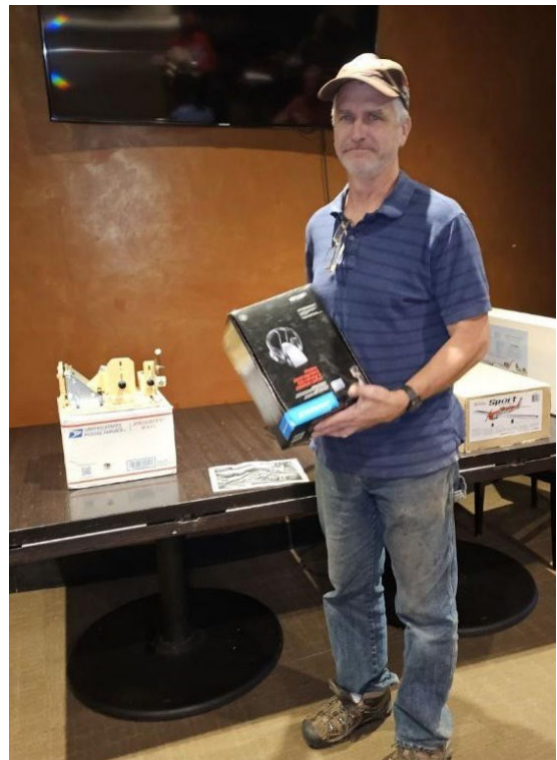
This month's meeting consisted of the following:

- Treasurer's Report – 10-month \$2000 CD was purchased with a 5% yield.
- Field Report – winter maintenance will be conducted in house; the mower will not be sent off site.
- Mike Brown attended his first meeting at Six Mile with his wife Michelle.
- New prospective members, Sam Brown and Chris Johnson attended.
- Vernon inquired about ordering shirts; the tentative plan is for a new 2024 shirt with our fly-in schedule on the back.
- Jim Morris announced that several members are planning on building Ultra Sport 60's this winter. For anyone interested in joining the build, Mike Brown has volunteered to cut short kits with his laser cutter, for those who supply the necessary wood.
- Mike Randal asked for volunteers for the November 2nd flight demonstration for the home school students Greg Inkmann organized.
- Open Officer and Board member position are President, Vice President, Treasurer on one board member. Volunteers welcome.
- Safety Discussion: at Fly-ins there will be flying stations behind the pit fences instead of the temporary barriers that have been used for the last couple of years. Aircraft stands will need to be moved back to make room for the pilot stations. This will add at least 20 feet to the width of the runways and greatly simplify setup prior to fly-ins.
- Raffles winners were Patrick Deuser who chose the Kougarr kit and Mike Brown chose the quality set of headphones.

Please plan on attending our November Meeting as it is time to volunteer/nominate officers and a board member.



Patrick receiving his Kougarr



Mike Brown won the second raffle prize and chose the headphones donated by Bill Elkins.

Monthly Night Flying Events

By Glenn Minor

On the first Saturday evening of each month, weather permitting, the Jayhawk Model Masters have an after dark Night Flying event at our field by Clinton Lake. Flying at these night-time events is possible for pilots with a model designed by manufacturers for both day and night flying and can come with elaborate, built-in lighting systems, or pilots choosing a plane



from their inventory, sometimes one like my Valiant 1.3m that has seen a few too many vertical landings and just looks better after dark, and lighting it up with their own design and color scheme. LED kits are available for purchase online and for around \$30 or less you can turn a day only model into a day and night flier. Some LED kit options come with controllers to plug into the radio receiver so lighting presets can be controlled from the ground. Power for the LED's can be provided by the receiver's LiPo battery and the extra current draw by the lights is minimal.



It truly is a sight to behold, some of the boldest, brightest colors in the viewable spectrum dashing across a starry backdrop. Sometimes we line the runway with holiday lights, sometimes the illuminated planes themselves are the only light source, spare a few flashlights.



In related news, our club has a new member-produced :) video promoting our monthly Night Flying events with the hope that it might help grow interest and participation. The video can be viewed on our Facebook page by searching for "new club video" or just scrolling down through posts a bit to October postings.



If anyone would like a link to the video they can share with anyone to help promote our club and our Night Flying events (which would be awesome), please just reach out to me via email at minorgc@gmail.com and I'll reply with a link to the new club video!

Glenn

Here are a few more pictures from this month's night fly-in, courtesy of George Jones:



Before it got dark,
Mike Brown did
some flight
instructing.



Seen At the Field . . .

By Dave Alexander



Nate Erikson with his gremlin-plagued Phoenix Texan II. Yours truly was trying get it flying, didn't happen this time. (It did finally fly with a new BEC.)



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An RC Experience Program Review

By Glenn Minor



Above is a group photo of students and parents who attended the RC Aviation Experience class and flying exhibit this past November 2nd organized by Greg Inkmann.

Greg with several planes and Chad Frazer with his Search and Rescue VTOL did a great job presenting at the Unitarian Church South of Lawrence. Greg discussed everything from Bernoulli's principle of Lift to how the Wright Brothers got started and even flew some small airplanes in the classroom which the kids loved.

Chad presented his VTOL aircraft and talked about how he uses the technology to help find people when they are lost. It's an amazing device and a great service Chad provides.

At one point, Greg even fired up his electric MiG to about half throttle and turned the resulting windstorm toward the young audience. An exciting and memorable moment for the class to be sure.

After the class, it was a bit gusty at the field (note the windsock), but it seemed like everyone was enjoying the air show. Thanks to everyone who helped with Greg's program at the church and afterward at the field! Glenn

October 12, 2023: Happy Birthday, George Jones!

