



**JAYHAWK
MODEL MASTERS
NEWSLETTER**

**AMA Club # 2013
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Sept. 9 Club Meeting

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

8:00 AM – Breakfast

9:00 AM – Business Meeting

Schedule of Events:

Sept. 9, JMM Club Meeting

Sept. 9, KCRC Warbird Fly-in

Sept. 16, Shawnee Mission Float Fly

Sept. 16, Blue Sky Big Bird, Topeka

Sept. 23, Jayhawk Big Bird

Oct. 1, Capitol City Fly-In ?

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News-wrap

Man, am I out of the loop again. I haven't been to any Fly-Ins; I haven't been in my shop this month; I haven't even been to the flying field except the morning after the big 8" rain we had a couple weeks ago. My work is just getting in the way of everything important.

This is going to be a real short newsletter unless I get real creative and dream up a bunch of stuff that you "might" be interested in.

Did I tell you guys that I was approached to donate my Yak-52 to the Topeka Combat Air Museum in return for an income tax right-off. At first, I just laughed to myself about it, but I actually have been thinking more seriously of late. No more annuals and hanger fees; no more maintenance, and this might allow me to sell some Rental property. We'll see.



New Products

Motion RC is now introducing this Freewing 36" span by 56" long A4-E/F Skyhawk.

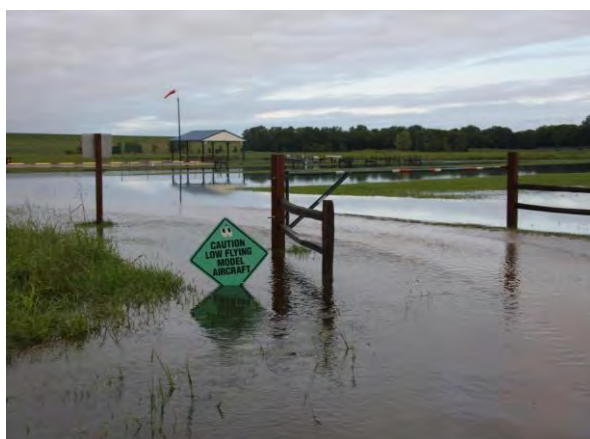


It comes with 80 mm fan and 1850 KV motor, retracts, and ordinance. It is foam of course, but all you need is 6S battery and Rx all for \$329. I think it will go well with my Tamjet A-4 and my micro Alfa A-4.



Jayhawk Lake

Just when you thought you had seen the last of Jayhawk Lake, it reappears bigger than ever before.



Other New Products

Perhaps you have seen the news about the 90.5" A-26 Invader by Phoenix Models. The balsa and plywood Invader features a 2 piece wing, flaps, retracts and struts, and fiberglass cowls. Also has detailed cockpit and pilot. It can be yours for \$429 at Tower Hobbies.



Phoenix models really outdid themselves when they came out with the 126" Westland Lysander featured in this month's Model Aviation Magazine. At 26 lbs it will take all of the required 50cc Rimfire motor.



August 19 Club Meeting

We had 20 people again at the August meeting; that seems to be an average now days. That included Al Andormon, possibly a new member by now.

Kyle Walker mentioned that he has had some dialogue with the local police/fire dept. who may have some interest in flying a drone in their police work

President Gary Webber was back and said that the city requires a \$150 sign fee when we install our new sign. He also suggested that we may need to add wording in our new lease with the city to add Drone aircraft.

There was also some discussion that we may need to purchase another camera to meet our field camera needs.

Show & Tell

There was only one Show & Tell this month and that by Lester Smith. Lester built another Bill Evans Simitar; I hope I spelled that right. This is Lester's 5th build of the model; this one has an OS 46 for power. Lester made his own landing gear from heavy steel wire. He says it floats like a glider. The designer also offers plans for a 96" version of the Simitar.



Lester may be the 2nd oldest member of our club; he said he remembers flying U-Control at South Park back in 1946-47.

Kyle Walker wins Raffle

I heard Kyle say he really wanted to win this one because his son really liked it. Here is the Astro Hog built by Bill George that Kyle won.



The Raffle this month



The Seagull RV 8 shown above is the raffle for this Saturday Sept. 9. See you there.

I came across a little history regarding the designer of the Simitar, Bill Evans. I will include a little of it here.

The AMA History Project Presents: Autobiography of BILL EVANS Born September 29, 1931 Started modeling in 1936 AMA #Simitar

Career: □ Bill Evans

Joined the Northern Indiana Gas Model Association □

Worked for a hobby shop owned by Bob Roberts, manufacturer of the line of Rite-Pitch propellers □

Joined the Air Force in 1952 and worked as control tower operator □

Designed and built the first Lil' Esquire for Midwest Products in 1955 □

Designed 75 model airplanes in the Simitar series; 30 were published as construction articles □

Designed his first sailplane, the Silent Squire, in 1975 □

Published articles in Model Aviation, Model Airplane News, Radio Control Modeler, Flying Models, Model Builder and Radio Control Sportsman magazines □

Started a foam cutting and kit business in 1975 called Soaring Research; the name later changed to Bill Evans Aircraft □

Designed, built and flew the Saracen, his first flying wing, in 1975

Jayhawk Big Bird

Sat. Sept. 23

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

By: Jayhawk Model Masters

Location: Below Clinton Dam, Lawrence, KS

3.1 Miles west of Hi-Way 59 on County Rd 458

Landing Fee: \$20 Includes Lunch

Contest Director: Gary Rauckman

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