



# WRCC

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## Area Clubs Start the Year Off Right!

January 1 was not the day most RC enthusiasts think of as the ideal day to fly. That didn't stop Wichita and Newton area flyers from continuing the tradition of the annual Polar Bear Fly. About 20 people were on site at the Lake Afton flying field in Wichita, and 15 at the Newton field for some cold-weather fun!

The temperature was a brisk 23 degrees, with winds around 20 mph, gusting to 35 mph. This made flying challenging, but exhilarating.

Mike Tallman of the Wichita club says he attends the polar-bear fly every year, no matter the weather!

Lake Afton attendees enjoyed chicken and noodles, brats, and hot drinks as they huddled around wood fires in recycled washing-machine drums.

Newton flyers gathered around propane heaters in their shelter

as they cheered their fellow club members on in the cold.

Additional strategies to keep warm included watching from running vehicles, jumping up and down, and dressing as polar bears. Yes, Gene and Dawn Morse lightened the mood by appearing at both gatherings in fleece polar-bear costumes. They were funny and warm!

Don't be surprised to find avid flyers out every month of the year!

Right: the Morses in polar bear outfits ready to fly!

Below: Newton club shelter



Above: Lake Afton shelter with wood fires and lawn chairs.



## Win Me!



Members asked for it, and our president came through! February's meeting raffle will include a blue-tail Sky Raider Mach II kit! Remember: you must be present to win! Monthly meeting raffle tickets sell 1 for \$1; 6 for \$5; 14 for \$10; and a "stretch" for \$20! New prizes are brought in every month.

## WRCC Annual Planning Meeting

It was a cold morning on Saturday, January 12, but that didn't stop 14 dedicated WRCC members from attending the annual planning meeting. Held at the Wichita Aviation Museum break room, coffee and donuts helped the group focus on the tasks at hand.

The main focus of the meeting was the annual calendar. Coordinating events for the club takes a lot of work! Other area fields plus AMA, IMAA, IMAC and locally sponsored events were all plugged in to one master list.

Check the WRCC website for a link to our new calendar. Hosted by Google Calendar, it can be viewed by week or month. Events are listed by date, and additional details are viewed by clicking on the event.

Other regional events will soon be included as well. Take a look to see if there is a good day-trip opportunity for you!



Above: Club Secretary Carol Kirkpatrick catches a photo-op from a chair at the planning meeting

## Notes from the President

Since this is my first newsletter as the President I'll try to write this without saying everything at once.

I'd like to start by saying *Thank You* to all the WRCC volunteers, it's a pleasure working with you.

My goal is to have as much fun as possible this year and still get all this other stuff done.

Let me tell you a little about your officers. I feel like I have a hand picked team!

I recruited Gene Morse to be the Vice President last year in mid October knowing he would be good for the club. Gene's a real go-getter!

It got even better when Gene's wife Dawn joined the club and volunteered to write the newsletter. You guys be

sure to thank her next time you see her. The club just hasn't been the same without the newsletter.

I nominated Dave Wise as the treasurer and he won hands down! Dave has made the treasurer's job look easy. We all know it's the hardest job of all. When it comes to club members you can count on him. He hasn't missed a meeting in 8 years, he wrote the newsletter for 6 years, keeps the books, talks to those guys at city hall, got his wife to write the auction program, wins the sportsman of the year award, and the DX7 in the attendance drawing. You might call him lucky. I call him an awesome club member and a good friend!

I got my wife Carol to be the secretary for the second year in

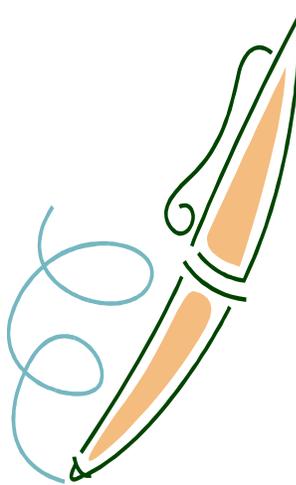
a row. Could it get any better?

With these club members and volunteers it makes us all look good.

These are just some of the awesome club members that I wanted to tell you about.

See You At The Field,

**-Vic**



### Say "CHEESE"

When it comes to video taping and photography - The "Skies The Limit" for Carol Kirkpatrick and her cameras! Watch out she might be capturing you next!

Videos featuring members and friends of the WRCC and events including Fun Flies, Pylon Races, and other great events! Watch this space for more videos!  
[www.youtube.com/flywrcc](http://www.youtube.com/flywrcc)





## WRCC Jacket Orders -from Darwin Hawkins

Here's the poop on the WRCC jackets (not literally). Got the bid from Shirts Plus in Derby, the company who did our previous order. We also got prices for heavy t-shirts and polo shirts. These prices include the Derby sales tax of 6.8% and are based on a minimum order of 25 jackets. If the order is less than 25, there is a \$20 set up charge.

The jacket color will be royal blue with yellow and blue elastic neck and cuff trim. A quilted insulated liner is also sewn into the jacket. The picture inset shows the jacket I purchased in our 1999 order. The size is XXL. These jackets fit nicely and it is better to go oversize than undersize if you have any doubts. We can vote on a color for the t-shirts and polos at the next meeting.

This jacket cost \$45 back then, so the prices now only reflect a 3.5% yearly inflation, and that is a lot less than how much medical costs have gone up.

Here are the prices and products we will offer:

Jacket	\$60
T-shirt	\$11
Polo	\$22

Get your info to me ASAP if you want to get in on the order. Please plan to pay with a check or cash when you order.

Shirts Plus is in a slack period at the present time, so they can get on the order right away. If we don't delay too much, we could have them in time for the auction.

Send your size(s) and quantity each to me at: [jdmailbox-wrccjks@yahoo.com](mailto:jdmailbox-wrccjks@yahoo.com) or you can call me at 788-2322 (but I prefer the e-mail method)

We will also have an order form and can take your money at the Feb 1 meeting.



## Top Flite B-25J Mitchell Bomber

A Big Thanks to Master Modeler Loren Tregellas who donated his time and building skills to assemble the Top Flite B-25J Mitchell Bomber for the auction raffle. Loren said he got some help from Fred Tosh, so we want to thank him too!

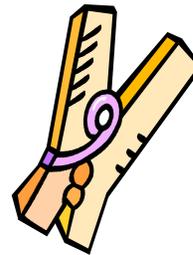


47th Annual WRCC AUCTION



## WRCC January Safety Tip: Frequency Control -from Gene Morse

- "Pin" the frequency number before you turn ANY transmitter on.
- Never pull a "Pin" already on the board.
  - Unless you can verify beyond any doubt that, the frequency is no longer in use.
- Always pull your "Pin" after you have finished flying.
- A good tip is to "Pin" using your AMA card.
  - It shows you have a current AMA membership
  - It also shows who is using (in control of) the frequency.
- Flying with a spread spectrum radio?
  - Stay in the habit of "Pinning".
  - If your field board does not have a location for Spread Spectrum, put a "Pin" up in an unused portion of the board.



What the "ACADEMY OF MODEL AERONAUTICS MEMBERSHIP MANUAL 2007" has to say (from: <http://www.modelaircraft.org/PDF-files/memmanual.pdf>)

### Operation of RC Flying Sites:

**Frequency Control:** It is necessary to maintain strict control of the operating transmitters at a flying site. Only one transmitter can be operated on any given frequency at the same time. Operation of more than one transmitter on the same frequency will cause loss of model control. Safe management of operating transmitters can be aided by:

1. Use of Frequency Pins to identify the frequency in use. Pins, often clothespins, are marked with the color(s) or channel number of the frequency it represents. Only one pin is available at the flying site for each frequency. Transmitters shall not be operated without possession of a pin that identifies the frequency in use.
2. It is recommended that clubs provide a flightline control system for the use of spread spectrum radios. This system should be similar to the frequency control plan currently in use at the site. For spread spectrum, multiple pins or identification spaces should be provided.
3. Keeping transmitter antennas collapsed when models are not being flown.

## Learn to fly Radio Control With the Wichita Radio Control Club

The Wichita Radio Control Club is offering free flight instruction at our Chapin Park facility. Bring your trainer and we'll teach you how to fly it, or get an introductory flight on one of our club trainers.

Our field is located on Hydraulic just south of I-135 and between the Arkansas River and the Drive In Theater on the east side of the road through the double gate. Please note the gate is locked when no members are present.

To schedule a flight with a flight instructor or for more information about the WRCC club, contact one of the following:

Scott Stoecker: 943-1661 or [LearnToFly@flywrcc.org](mailto:LearnToFly@flywrcc.org)

Lynn Just: 943-9515

Gene Morse: 687-4678 or [VicePresident@flywrcc.org](mailto:VicePresident@flywrcc.org)

Vic Kirkpatrick: [President@flywrcc.org](mailto:President@flywrcc.org)

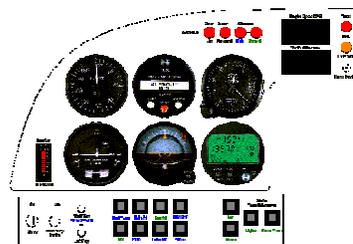
Please leave the following with your flight instructor to help us with our record keeping:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Optional AMA# \_\_\_\_\_



## The Instrument Panel

### Web links to check out!

AMA: <http://www.modelaircraft.org/>

Carol's WRCC Videos: [www.youtube.com/flywrcc](http://www.youtube.com/flywrcc)

Chisholm Trail RC Club: <http://www.chisholmtrailrc.com/>

Clearview Field: <http://www.clearviewfield.com/>

Derby RC Club: <http://www.flydrcc.org/>

Flying Giants: <http://www.flyinggiants.com/>

How to do Aerobatics:

<http://www.scootworks.com/rdrcc/aerobat.html>

IMAA: <http://fly-ima.org/>

IMAC: <http://www.mini-iac.com/>

RC Universe: <http://www.rcuniverse.com/>

WRCC: <http://flywrcc.org/>

WRCC VPs Calendar:

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**W.R.C.C. Monthly Meeting**

January 4, 2008

Meeting was called to order at approx: 7:00

**Visitors:** None.

Please feel free to bring your family and friends!

Vic Kirkpatrick has made up a new Visitors package with name badges and club information!

**Attendance:** Approx: 34**Reports of Officers & Committees.****Vice President** Gene Morse Reports:**Treasurer Dave Wise Reports:**

Monthly treasurer report.

**Secretary Carol Kirkpatrick Reports:**

Minutes from last months meeting.

**Auction Reports:**

Terry Dobson announces the auction is scheduled for March 8, 2008!

A Steering Committee was held at Spears Restaurant 1-9-08 to further discuss the event.

Please contact Terry Dobson if you would like to put your items in the auction and/or volunteer helping with the auction.

Top Flite B-25J Mitchell will be the airplane being raffled at the auction which Vic Kirkpatrick brought to the meeting to show! Loren Tregelles has kindly volunteered to assemble the plane in part for the auction!

You are welcome to pre-buy the raffle tickets for the B-25J through Vic Kirkpatrick or they will also be available the day of the auction.

If you have something you would like to donate to the auction for table 1 - please bring it to the March 7th meeting.

Volunteers are greatly needed for the Auction. If you wish to volunteer your time and talents please contact Terry Dobson.

Auction Volunteers will receive many thanks along with a free lunch & drink for their help. Volunteer workers will also receive a raffle ticket for the radio!

**Old Business: None.****New Business:**

Scott Stoecker has volunteered to train flyers on Thursdays! If you or someone you know would like to learn how to fly remote control airplanes please contact Scott for more information. His email link will be added on the WRCC website.

Vic Kirkpatrick has made some flyers regarding the training sessions which are now available at the meetings as well as in hobby shops!

Lynn Just has kindly donated planes for the training lessons! We thank you so much Lynn!

Loren Tregellas brought the applications to fly at Beech field. Cost of \$1.00 to help cover postage. Applications now available through his wife Martha.

WRCC is sanctioning a AMA and IMAA Jumbo Fun Fly in Eldorado. Darwin Hawkins made a motion and Jerry Salter 2nd it.

Loren Tregellas once again showing his amazing support for the WRCC is kindly donating the sanction fees!

Jet and helicopters will be allowed to fly around the noon hour.

Planning meeting will be Jan.12, 2008 at the air museum from 9:30 a.m. into the noon hour.

Darwin Hawkins now taking orders for the **WRCC Jackets!** Please contact Darwin if you would like to order one.

Dawn Morse is now making the **Newsletter!** If you would like to submit your story, pictures great ideas please submit them to her for the next newsletter no later than the 3rd Friday of each month. Newsletters will be published on the 4th Friday of each month.

Vice President Gene Morse heads the **Show & Tell events** for the monthly meetings so if you have something you would like to bring in to Show & Tell us about please bring it in!

**Announcements:**

**Next meeting** will be at the Air Museum on Feb. 1, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you all there!

**W.R.C.C. Constitution** - Copies are now available and will be posted on the web site including the Amendments.

**Pylon Races at Lake Afton** A very special thanks to Mike Tallman for hosting these awesome events and to all the volunteers who help make this event happen. The first pylon race of the season will be March 19, 2008 - starting time is 5:30 pm.

Volunteer Dawn Morse, wife of Vice President Gene Morse, will be helping with the newsletter! Feel free to contact Dawn with any stories or pictures you may think are news-worthy! e-mail Dawn at dawn\_ee@yahoo.com or telephone her at #316-641-4087.

A note of thanks to Dawn Morse for helping with the new raffle table at the monthly meetings also!

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Dawn's bank employer may also be donating \$500.00 to the WRCC because of her volunteer work of 50 hours or more! Thank you again! :)

Terry Dobson is asking for volunteers on Saturdays to help paint the museum.

Terry Dobson also announced there will be a haunted house at the air museum in October!

#### Open Discussion Ends.

#### Break & Refreshments:

If you have a special request regarding refreshments contact Gene Morse.

#### Show & Tell - Feel free to bring in your item to Show & Tell!

**Special thanks to** the following members for bringing in their planes! We all enjoyed your presentations!

Fred Harvey - SpeedyBee which he let it be known that he won at the last Newton Auction!

Scott Stoeker - Proud to show his red and yellow ScatCat 500

Mark Mosher mentioning purchasing his 3DHobbyShop Katana Electric Plane at 3dhobbyshop.com

Mike Tallman - Brought in his Venom Quickee 500.

John Riggs entertained us all with his Hanger 9 B-25 with SuperTiger .40 engines and Fatuba 2.4 Radio!

Vic Kirkpatrick showed us all his original design and very well-made spinning raffle hopper to hold the raffle tickets for the auctions!

Vic also brought in the Top Flite B-25J Mitchell to pre-show that this is the plane which will be the major raffle prize for the auction!

#### Attendance & Raffle Drawings:

\$15 Winner! Congratulations to Lynn Just! Feeling lucky, Lynn decides to use the \$15.00 he won towards raffle tickets in the upcoming auction for the Top Flite B-25J Mitchell! Good luck Lynn! Next drawing at \$15.00 - Must be present to win!

#### Raffle prize winners

Jim Embree top winner choose the double transmitter carrying case!

Ron won the "Mystery Box" which contained a cute teddy bear which he ended up giving to Dawn Morse but kept the glue that was inside the heart pouch!

Don Pemberton, one who enjoys surprises, grabbed the "Grab Bag" which held a battery pack, 4-40 clevises!

Vic Kirkpatrick won the cool black jacket with the WRCC patch on front!

Darwin Hawkins was glowing when he took home the Glow plug ignitor which come to find out Loren also wanted!

But... Loren Tregelles got to smile anyway with the Glow Ignitor Wire!

Terry Grimes was pretty slick getting the Oil Additive!

Jerry Hicks stuck to his choice when getting the Servo Tape!

Ron, being lucky with his 2nd win, kindly passed it on!

Carol Kirkpatrick, not really knowing what is what! Picked the Spark Plug thinking it was some sort of an award!

Kevin McKaig (former President and looking mighty relaxed!) copped the Deans Plugs!

Darwin Hawkins mighty lucky upon his 2nd win decides to take the Parson Products!

Mark Moser, last but not least, holds the Fuel Jug!

#### Raffle Ideas & Notes:

Vic Kirkpatrick has some wonderful ideas for future raffles! You're suggestions, contributions and support of the raffle and even your prize donations are always welcomed and appreciated!

Next months meeting on Feb.1, 2008 Vic has picked-out for the raffle a Blue Tail Sky Raider Plane! :) Must be present to win!

Mystery boxes and grab bags! You just never know what Vic might purchase to put inside! If you love surprises you will love these!

#### Entertainment:

Secretary Carol Sue Kirkpatrick has started doing videos for the WRCC! She will be featuring WRCC members and other videos from the events! Watch this space! <http://www.youtube.com/FlyWRCC>

#### Meeting Adjourned at approx: 9:10

#### Report by Secretary Carol Kirkpatrick



### Newsletter Submissions

Submit your stories and pictures to the WRCC News!

Deadline is the 3rd Friday of each month.

E-mail materials to [newsletter@flywrcc.org](mailto:newsletter@flywrcc.org). Please include your contact information.

Calendar Link: <http://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=ah4h0tvrtoj10u860bmvhpb8%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America/Chicago>