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## West Jersey R/C Club April 9, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 pm by club President Joe Mauriello with 29 members and prospective members in attendance. The minutes of the March meeting were read by the Secretary and accepted by all present. Club Treasurer Brian Beer gave all the deposits and debits on the club's checking account and gave an ending balance as of April 4<sup>th</sup>. All present accepted the Treasurers report as given. Vice-President Bob Demola announced that there were prospective members sitting in on tonight's meeting, Richard Lawn, David Keller and Bogdan Cucu all sat in on their first meeting. Bob Kotter and Rocky Verchio also attended their second meeting. Bob Demola went over the club's membership and said that we are at 89 members as of April 9<sup>th</sup>. Dennis Buttocola said the field is in good shape and the Craftsman mower is good to go after some minor work. Some of the members mentioned that Booty Mill Road is getting rough and needs attention, Neil Stokes will make a call to Mantua Twp. to see if they plan on doing any improvements. Brian Beer said he spoke to Mr. Landolfi and he said that he wanted to stop the dirt bikes and four wheelers running around on his property. Mr. Landolfi also said he wanted to do some work on the road coming in off Booty Mill Road. As a reminder please use Mr. Landolfi's road coming in and not through the first dirt road coming in from Cohawkin Road, that field belongs to Mr. Leone and he asked us not to use his property. As another reminder for safety issues when flying please stay behind the two white camera poles.

### Old Business

Bob Lanard is still taking S&W Fuel orders and all orders and cash need to be in by May 11<sup>th</sup>. President Joe Mauriello wanted to remind everyone that Multi-Engine Sunday is April 14<sup>th</sup> and Spring Ducted Fan Sunday is April 21<sup>st</sup>.

### New Business

Leon Dobkowski and Jack Hofbauer have volunteered to oversee the Flea Market and get everything in order including making up a flyer to send out. Bi-plane Sunday was a little cooler and windy with not many planes flying. President Joe Mauriello said he is still trying to figure a date for JJ's suggestion of a Fun Fly, possibly in June. Bob Lanard said he received a packet in the mail to change the contact information on the Vanguard Fund, this was passed on to the Treasurer Brian Beer. Derik Gadson brought in a cord needed to connect the buddy box to JR radios. Helicopter Sunday is set for May 12<sup>th</sup> and Cub Weekend is May 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>. As a safety concern Leon Dobkowski asked the club to consider making a dirt pathway from the runway into the pit area to avoid having people on the runway. The President asked Dennis Buttocola to look into some options to see if this may work. Neil Stokes made an offer to purchase the Scotts tractor to make room for the new mower. The club voted to give the mower to Neil which in return he made a donation of \$200 to the club. With no further business Brian Beer ran the 50/50 with Jim Grant winning \$30.00. The next Bull Meeting is April 23<sup>rd</sup> and the next Regular Meeting is May 14<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Neil Stokes WJRC Secretary



### WJRC Flea Market:

Table set up: 4:30 pm

Doors open: 6:00 pm

Free for members: no table charge, no door charge.

Tuesday  
May 28

**A Couple of Field Recaps:**

Sunday, April 21: Ducted Fan & Multi-engine Sunday

A beautiful day that brought out a good turnout of flyers; at one point, 15 of our 18 field benches were in use. But, there were only a small number of ducted fans and just one multi-engine. (photos right)

Friday, April 26: The flying abilities of new member, Dave Tracey, were checked out by Rich Onorato. Dave has previous flying experience, and, after a few flights with his Cub, he got the OK approval from Rich. (Photo next page)

**Weather Websites "Helpful" for RC Flying:**

(From the May 2011 Newsletter with some additions.)

I keep the below links for a quick weather check. But, the weather predictions of the different sites often don't agree regarding wind conditions. So, I usually try to do an eyeball average of their predictions. Then, before deciding whether or not to load-up the vehicle, I do a final "sanity check" by seeing what the tree tops are doing. If they're swaying, I'm staying.

AccuWeather for the WJRC Flying Field zip code (08020) - predicts wind speed and **gusts** (VERY helpful).  
<http://www.accuweather.com/us/nj/clarksboro/08020/forecast-details.asp?fday=1>

Here's the USairnet link that's on the WJRC website:  
<http://usairnet.com/cgi-bin/launch/code.cgi?sta=KPHL&model=avn&state=PA&Submit=Get+Forecast>

USairnet snapshot of NJ wind speeds:  
<http://www.usairnet.com/weather/maps/current/new-jersey/wind-speed/>

USairnet snapshot of PA wind speeds:  
<http://www.usairnet.com/weather/maps/current/pennsylvania/wind-speed/>

For an idea of the present and the coming cloud/sky conditions, here's the AccuWeather Visible Satellite link showing cloud movements over PA & NJ:  
<http://www.accuweather.com/en/us/pennsylvania/satellite-vis?play=true>

This small private weather station is just 2 1/2 miles from the WJRC field. Although its service is temporarily down, it normally gives, among other data:

- a real-time readout of the wind speed/direction
- a 5-minute chart of wind speed

<http://sewell.dvweather.info/>

National Weather service 7 day forecast:  
<http://forecast.weather.gov/MapClick.php?lat=39.81486542536203&lon=-75.234375&site=phi&unit=0&lg=en&FcstType=text>

Four photos from Sheldon Parker:  
 Bob Demola and his Twinstar with Joe Mauriello assisting



Ed Mortimer making final adjustments on his Skywalker with assistance from Jay Honigman and Tom Nicholas looking on.



**New Mower Delivered:**

Saturday, April 27, our new mower was delivered by Mr. Mauriello. Orientation on it was also accomplished by him. It'll mow the field much faster than our two old ones and it'll be less fatiguing for its operator. Field Director Dennis Buttocola is at left in the photo.

**Aircraft History Tidbit:**

Dryden Flight Research Center historical photos:  
<http://www.nasa.gov/centers/dryden/multimedia/imagegallery/index.html>

**Reminders:**

The last person to leave the flying field, be sure to check that the toilet, the gate and the shed are locked and the lock tumblers are spun.

- Heli Sunday:** May 12
- Business Meeting:** Tuesday, May 14 @ 8 PM
- Cub Weekend:** Sat & Sun, May 18 - 19
- Bull Meeting:** Tuesday, May 14 @ 8 PM
- WJRC Flea Market:** Tuesday, May 28 @ 6 PM

Happy Flying,  
 JJ

UPS "Pilot Gripe Sheet Form" regarding aircraft items needing addressing and the Ground Crew's replies:

- Pilot: Test flight OK, except auto-land very rough.
- GC: Auto-land not installed on this aircraft.
- Pilot: Number 3 engine missing.
- GC: Engine found on right wing after brief search.

Opportunity may knock once, but temptation leans on the bell. - from Mark A. Nichols

One of Joe Mauriello's sharp P-47's



Flight-checked new member Dave Tracey, his wife Corinne and ..... their Cub:



Learning about our brand new zero-turn:



The below giant Revolver is now owned by Bob Demola

