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# THE TRANSMITTER

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DAVENPORT RADIO CONTROL SOCIETY

## President's Report

Hi all,

I hope the recent warmish weather has you all thinking about the upcoming flying season. I was almost tempted to throw one in the air last week! There is an opportunity to get some flying in, inside, on Friday, the 10th. (probably today as you read this, or maybe 2 days ago if you get this snail mail !) Anyway, on Friday, the 10<sup>th</sup>, from 6 to 9pm at the QCCA Expo Center in Rock Island, there will be open flying inside for \$10 per pilot. AMA is required, and your card will be checked at the door. This is the second event arranged by Nick Ziegler, and he is trying to get one in a month. No set schedule as they are working it in around their other events, but Nick said he would try to make it on weekends, if possible, to maximize participation. I was at the first event, and I think there were maybe 10 pilots, or so? The place is big, but there are posts and rafters to go around. Going thru them is a less effective method, ask me how I know. Not as good as the dome, for sure, but a hell of a lot better than anything else we got! Micro fliers are ideal, and anything that goes slow is doable. Give it a try if you got nothing going on, or just go watch, which is free. If you are not sure, throw a plane in the car and go watch and decide for yourself. Last time a couple of FPV drone racers showed up. Man, those suckers are FAST; never seen one in person. They were flying in the back of the building, which left the front 2/3's of the building wide open for slow flying with no conflict whatsoever. Give it a try!

Obviously, no flying for us outside anytime soon, but we do have the Mall Show right around the corner. As you should all know by now, the show is Saturday, Feb. 18th. The plan is for those who can help to meet at the barn at 4pm to load stanchions, cinder blocks, and rope, etc. to take to the mall for preliminary set-up. The tables should already be there. The set-up will be at the Younkers' Court, which is a prime spot front and center. We will have access to Northpark Mall starting at 8; the mall opens at 10. It would be much easier and safer for the models to arrive before the mall opens and get all set up before they open the door to the masses, so please plan accordingly. Bring all your hanger queens and winter projects, etc. The more the merrier. Don't worry if you don't have a half scale monster. Just bring what you got. We want a nice variety of all sizes to show the different types of flying we do. Remember to bring a bag chair and plan on hanging around. We will not baby sit planes all day. I would like to see people up at the ropes talking to passers-by instead

of sitting in a circle in the middle. Remember the idea here is not only to show off our toys, but to spark some interest, and maybe gain a member or 2. We will have some simulators, and folks will need to help with those as well. There will be a raffle plane, and we should take turns manning the ticket sales, please. Folks usually get tired and start packing up by 2 or so, no set time really. You need to be there to claim your stuff as things wind up. We could use some help after as well, to reload stuff into the barn. Come on out and talk up our hobby and see if we can swell our ranks a bit.

We also have our Swap Meet coming up on March 11<sup>th</sup>, which is the Saturday before our March meeting, so we will need to firm those plans up this meeting as well. Set-up has become a lot easier since we moved to St. Mark's Church, and all the tables, etc., are on site. We will have to rely on email to alert folks of set-up time, etc. We decided to change the times a bit, and sellers' set-up will be 8 to 9 am, with selling from 9 am to 1 pm. We will need kitchen help. I have a list of what we sold last year, so I will take care of getting the supplies, but I will need some help in the kitchen on the day of the event. Tear down goes quickly as well, but we will need some folks to hang around to assist. Contact Dave Colgan to reserve tables, the sooner the better! Watch for e-mail reminders as time draws nearer.

One last item is we have a used mower to sell. The old mower at the sod farm is a John Deere 314. Which, if you know as much as I do about Deere tractors, tells you that it is a green one! Anyway, we have decided to sell it to the highest bidder. It runs pretty well at this point, but has some issues as you all know, which is why we bought a new one. If you have specific questions about it's condition, please ask groundskeeper Dave Colgan as he did the maintenance on it.

This is the point I would say see ya at the meeting but I will not be able to attend. We will have a capable stand in to be sure.

Steve

**Bits & Pieces:**

A little more on the Mall Show on Saturday, February 18: If you have a plane in the bones that you are building, or working on, it would be great to have that also. One provoked a lot of questions last year. For the raffle, we will give the winner the choice of either a Ready-to-Fly Mini-Apprentice, or the new Plug-n-Play 1.3m Valiant from Eflite. The airplane not chosen will be the raffle at the Swap Meet. Also, anyone bringing a computer and a simulator, please bring a power strip and/or extension cords. We want the simulators busy 100% of the time.

Swap Meet: Again, contact me at 563-940-9385 or dcolgan51@gmail.com to reserve a table or tables for the Swap Meet. The sooner, the better. A new item at the Swap Meet will be a Silent Auction for an almost new Turnigy 4 port charger with power supply. It was donated to the club by former member Tom McDonnell. We can also use help at the door and at the raffle table throughout the day in addition to the kitchen as Steve mentioned above.

A reminder about Frye Field if you do venture out. NO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC until further notice, please.

I, too, will not be at Monday's meeting. Please contact me with any questions on any of the above.

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**Meeting Minutes**

No minutes received to publish.

**2017 Events:**

Feb 10	Indoor Flying	QCCA Expo Center, Rock Island, IL
Feb 13	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Feb 18	DRCS Mall Show	Northpark Mall, Davenport, IA
Feb 18	Fox Valley Aero Swap Meet	St. Charles, IL
Mar 11	DRCS Swap Meet	St Mark's Lutheran, Davenport, IA
Mar 13	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Mar 25	Swap Shop / Auction	Rockford, IL
Mar 26	MMAFRC Swap Meet	Tampico, IL
Apr 7 – 9	Weak Signals R/C Model Expo	Toledo, OH
Apr 10	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library

May 8	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
May 26-28	NASA Scale Meet	Erie Airpark, Erie, IL
Jun 3	Eli Field Open House	Eli Field, Monticello, IL
Jun 12	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library or Frye Field
Jun 17	DRCS Scale Meet	Frye Field
Jun 22-24	Windy City Warbirds & Classics	St. Charles, IL
Jun 25	Dave Goerne Memorial Fun Fly	Streator, IL
Jul 9	RC Warbirds and Classic	Peoria RC Modelers Field, Chillicothe, IL
Jul 10	DRCS Meeting	Frye Field
Jul 22-23	Warbirds Over Iowa	Skyhawks Field, Marion, IA
Aug 5	DRCS Weinie Fly	Frye Field
Aug 14	DRCS Meeting	Frye Field
Sep 9	Bud Miller Fun Fly	Frye Field
Sep 11	DRCS Meeting	Frye Field
Sep 16-17	Duel at Davenport IV	Frye Field
Oct 7	DRCS Night Fly	Frye Field
Oct 9	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Nov 13	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Dec 11	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library

**FOR SALE:**

There are still a number of planes in Majors' Art and Hobby Resale Area. Contact them at 563-323-9042 for more details.

Rodd Schick has the following for sale:

Hangar 9 J-3 Cub 80" - \$325 or best offer!

- Saito 82 (original box included)
- Hitec HS-425BB servos
- Spektrum AR6210 DSMX receiver
- TruTurn 4-Stroke Prop Hub
- APC 13x4W
- Lots of Extra Parts! (complete 2nd set of wings, landing gear, wheels and more)
- Custom wing bags :)
- Plane is in excellent condition and flies awesome. Not flying it anymore now that I have the 50 cc Cub!

Saito 91 - \$200 or best offer!

- BRAND NEW IN BOX! Includes Saito engine mount!

OS 35AX -\$80 or best offer!

- Excellent condition! Only broke in. (original box included)
- Dubro spinner prop nut
- Xoar prop

OS 15LA - \$40 or best offer!

- Very good condition. (original box included)
- Dubro spinner prop nut

Evolution 46 Trainer Power System - \$35 or best offer!

- Smooth runner
- 2 Evolution 3-Blade TPS props

Contact Rodd as follows. He needs the money for his Toledo trip in April!

Email - [rsmkschick@mchsi.com](mailto:rsmkschick@mchsi.com)

Cell - [\(309\) 737-3953](tel:(309)737-3953)

Again, we will publish any for sale or trade items if you would just contact me. We will keep this as a running list in future Newsletters.

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**NORTH PARK MALL  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2017**

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Raffle for a Ready to Fly Airplane only \$1



**DAVENPORT RADIO CONTROL SOCIETY  
22<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL SWAP MEET  
St Mark's Lutheran Church  
Saturday, March 11, 2017**

**9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

**Table Rent - \$10 Admission \$4**

**For more info, contact Dave Colgan ([dcolgan51@gmail.com](mailto:dcolgan51@gmail.com)) 563-940-9385**

**Raffle for an Airplane - \$1 or 6 for \$5**

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**NEXT MEETING**  
**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13<sup>TH</sup>**  
**6:30 P.M.**

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