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DAVENPORT RADIO CONTROL SOCIETY

President's Report

Hi all,

I hope everyone is taking advantage of the extended flying season! I know some people are for sure. I was out last Saturday and, at one point, there were 17 vehicles there. I think that may have been one of the busiest flying days all season. Looks like this week end will be another that is quite conducive to flying. Hard to believe it is mid November, but we'll take it! For those who do venture out, remember the porta-potty is gone, so plan accordingly. The pin board is up and will remain up as long as the weather holds; please continue to use it.

We are putting together the Event Calendar (see below) for next year so let us know if you have any additions. The club events will remain the same in the coming year but in a slightly different order. In an attempt to try to increase participation in the Swap Meet, we thought it best to move it a bit farther away from the Iowa City event, which is a much larger event. The plan is to switch the Swap Meet and the Mall Show around. So the Mall Show will be in Feb., and the Swap Meet will be in March. The other events will remain in approximately the same time frame as always.

We do need to make a decision about the Chili Fly location. Think about that one, and let's hear some ideas at the meeting. Obviously, the big thing at Scott Co. was the fact we had power, but with that no longer an option, we need to make other plans. I know there have been a couple folks volunteer generators, and we could put up tents with walls at the field, but I am not sure how excited the sod farm folks would be about having us on the field that time of year. Anyway, we have a little time so think about options.

As far as club business goes right now, not a lot going on. Everyone knows by now the mower is here and running and is now fully insured--- Thanks Dirko for getting that arranged. Club dues will be due at the first of the year and feel free to pay them any time, recalling that they are now \$30, up from the usual \$20. Pay them now to avoid forgetting and having to end up paying the initiation fee all over again! While you are at it go ahead and renew your AMA for the coming year, probably easiest just to pay both at the same time to avoid different expiration dates, which is harder to remember. The other thing we will be doing at this month's meeting is forming a nomination committee as required by our by laws in an election year--- no not that election! As far as I know, all of the current officers are willing to continue if

no one else is interested. I can assure everyone though, that if there is anyone out there that wants to become more involved by becoming a club officer, you would NOT hurt anyone's feelings. Please consider tossing your hat in the ring. I promise to hold the mud slinging at or below the level of the recently completed national election. Really, if anyone wants to give it a whirl go for it! We are a pretty easy bunch to get along with, and it really isn't that hard. Anyway, I will need some volunteers for the committee, and if everyone remains silent, perhaps we will appoint members as we have in the past.

That's about all I got for now; see ya at the meeting. I think there will be a short program on getting started in gas. With all the new smaller gassers out there, it is easier than ever. Bring something to show off at the meeting. See you at the field this weekend, and I hope and at the meeting on Monday.

See ya,
Steve

Bits & Pieces:

Sorry about the lack of facilities at Frye Field but who knew a month ago that we would be seeing 50-60 degree days in the month of November. The porta-potty has been frozen down by late October in previous years.

As Steve mentioned, 2017 dues are now due. They are now \$30 for renewal until Jan 31. Juniors and the initiation fee is unchanged. Either pay me at the meeting, or mail them to me at:

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Winter is still coming so start sharing those projects (at the meeting, on Facebook, or in the Newsletter) that you are working on. Or don't hesitate to ask for direction or assistance at anytime. I am still trying to finish my Sig Cub started a year ago. Need to focus and get it done. Then I will be starting on 2 new ones after I rearrange my shop.

Another thing that has been discussed is updating our Website, www.davenportc.org. Tell us what you think we should have on this site.

In case you missed it, Frank Lang has donated a Sig Seniorita and transmitters to the club for use as a trainer. It is currently in my possession as we haven't come up with a plan on where to store and its use.

Lastly, a challenge, or plea, for anyone to step up and help the club during the coming

year, as a officer, a committee member, an event volunteer, or whatever. This also includes organizing a program for one of the upcoming meetings. More people lighten the load for everyone involved. I personally could use some help with the Swap Meet specifically, before and on that day.

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2016 Events:

Nov 14	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Nov 19	Erie RC Swap Meet	Church of the Nazarene, Rock Island
Dec 12	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library

2017 Events:

Jan 1	DRCS Chili Fly	TBD
Jan 9	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Jan 29	Iowa City Swap Meet	Iowa City Armory, IA
Jan 31	2017 Dues Due	
Feb 1	Late fee for Dues Starts	
Feb 13	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Feb 18	DRCS Mall Show (tentative)	Northpark Mall, Davenport, IA
Mar 13	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Mar 12	DRCS Swap Meet	Davenport, IA
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
Jun 12	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library or Frye Field
Jun 17	DRCS Scale Meet	Frye Field

Jul 10	DRCS Meeting	Frye Field
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

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