

Wing Tips

Laurel Highlands Model Airplane Club

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*Regular Meeting March 6th at 7:30 PM St Pauls Church
Breakfast 8:30 AM, March 11th Eat n' Park in Greensburg
Breakfast 8:30 AM March 25th Eat n' Park in Greensburg
All breakfasts to be at Eat n' Park until further notice*

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Prez Says

GREETINGS: As usual, I hope this letter finds you well and looking forward to another flying season. As I write this letter, it is frigid outside but it's March and change is in the air. With the switch to Daylight Savings Time on the 8th of the month, can flying be far off? Let's hope we can have a couple of good flying days this month!

It has been a couple of months since our last meeting due to the electrical problems at Saint Paul's which necessitated the cancellation of the February 13th meeting. We attempted to contact members who regularly attend the monthly meetings of the cancellation, if we missed anybody, we apologize?

It is imperative that we finalize the calendar of events for 2009 so that they may be posted on our WebSite. You have had a couple of months to think about giving a little bit of your time to chair/co-chair an event. We still need people for the following: a) Fun-flys for both the May and August picnics; b) Scale Contest; c) Endurance/Timed flight; and d) Snyder Cup. Your cooperation is much appreciated.

It is not too early to begin checking your planes and field equipment to have a safe and happy flying season. Hope to see many of you at the March 13th meeting beginning at 7:30. On behalf of the executive officers, we look forward to this flying season.

Rene

Wanted: J-Tec 40P Pitts style muffler. Call Ron Gade 724 832-7896

WHAT WORKS FOR ME

The topic this month is glow engines. There are many manufactures out there today, most will get the job done , but some are better than others . I have found that if you stay with a long established brand your chance of success is greater than going to the bargain new thing on the market. In my opinion when it comes to engines you get what you pay for . Buy a cheap engine from china and you get an engine that has poor metallurgy, the wrong compression for fuel with nitro in it . This will cause poor performance when it has to deal with the changing climate we have here. One day it may run fine the next it will run crappy. nothing will ruin a day of flying faster than engine trouble . It is sad that we don't have a good made in U S A manufacturer of glow engines . We have to import them yes they are cheap and the ones that are good aren't. we don't have a say here take it or not so here are my choices as best buys and what not to buy

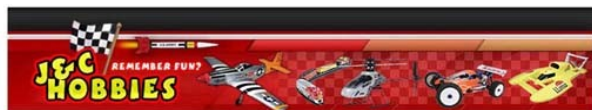
- #1 O S with ball bearings I do not recommend the non-bearing type
 - #2 SuperTiger even though they are now made in china they have kept there quality
 - #3 This pick is for 4 stroke engines and it is a tie. O S or SAITO are both fine engines
 - #4 Any of the brands coming from Europe are for the most part better than china
- Types that I say you should avoid are ASP engines Magnum engines and tower hobbies brand

Bob

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