



Blue Max Aces

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DUES REMINDER!

Have you paid your 2004 dues? Members who have not paid their 2004 dues by the January meeting may have their club privileges revoked. Don't loose out, bring your dues to the meeting.

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The Wolfe's Den

I would like to thank all of the Blue Max club members who pitched in and helped make last months' meeting a success. I have received a lot of positive feedback from club members about the December program. We, the Blue Max Club, have some very talented and knowledgeable members and I was happy to see that we were able to tap into that knowledge and help our younger members. The January meeting will continue with the construction of our SIG kit. In the future, we will plan a meeting around covering and final assembly of this aircraft. Special thanks needs to go to Dennis, Ron, Barry, and Jim for leading our construction groups. You guys were great!



At this month's meeting you will see some changes in club officers. For 2004 Dan Deitemeyer will be taking on the duties of club secretary. I am sure Dan will do a great job for us and I think it is great to have a newer member step up and take on the challenges of this position. We also have new a new editor for 2004. Jim Janiak is flying solo on his first newsletter. Jim best of luck to you, I am sure that Larry has shown you all of the little tricks that will help you in your new position. Bob Davit will continue on as club treasurer for at least one more season. Bob has done a great job for us; it would be tough for the club to replace him. Pete Sidor will be our club's Field Marshall for the 2004 flying season. Pete will be taking over for Chuck Poviliatis who has taken on greater responsibilities in the Gas Club this year. I am sure that Pete and Chuck will work well together in coordinating field maintenance between the two clubs. I wish the best of luck to both of you for 2004. Tim Niemiec and Paul Barsamian will be heading up the Fun Fly Committee for the coming season. I feel that these two creative guys will cook up some interesting events for us. It should be fun!

We will still have some familiar faces in other club positions. Mark Matzuka will continue on as Web Master and flying Proficiency chairman. Dennis Brumley will continue on as club safety officer.

The Board of Directors this year includes Mark, Larry, Tim, and Ray. Our Vice President is Ira. I think that all of these people will do a great job for our club in 2004. With everyone working together I feel that we will have a very productive year.

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Don Wolfe

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Tim Niemiec

Ground Crew
Dennis Brumley

Noise
Frank Stillson

Picnic
Jim Keehan
Tim Niemiec

Program
Brian Racine
Mike Racine

Safety
Dennis Brumley

MINUTIA FROM THE MEETING

by Tim Niemiec, Secretary

Don Wolfe opened the meeting. The Secretary's report from the December newsletter was accepted. The Treasurer's report was not read because Bob Davit was absent. The Banquet Committee reported that the Banquet date is being finalized. Potential dates are in the mid-February to early March timeframe. A final date should be selected by the next meeting.

There was no old business. December new business included Jim Speers and Ira Katz will head the redesign of the club logo. The objective is to create a new logo we can use on our planes and apparel. It was reported that Lanier was having a closeout sale on some older plane styles. See the Lanier website for more information. A motion was made to make a \$50 donation to the cancer society in memory of Bob Hirth. Bob recently passed away. For those who didn't know Bob, he was a regular at the field and will be missed.

Crash reports for the month of December included Ira crashing a few planes at the Buffalo Grove golf dome. He had to make sure a few were really destroyed by giving the downed aircraft a complementary kick or toss.

Show-n-Tell included a Zepher OS-50 3-channel plane by Rudy Krolopp. It was modeled from a 1930's design.

The raffle for the month was a 4 Star ARF and a SIG Somethin' Extra. Jim Speers won the 4 Star and Dennis Brumley won the SIG Somethin' Extra.



The program for the month was very exciting – hands on building. Everyone split into three groups corresponding to three building stations –one for the tail, fuselage, and wings. Expert builders Dennis Brumley, Jim Keehan, and Barry Schilling ran the building stations. The objective was to give members who have never built a plane from a kit some insight on how it is done. The tail and wings were finished and the fuselage was almost completed by the end of the meeting.

I just wanted to take a moment to say good-bye as club Secretary. I have really enjoyed this position for the last two years. I know that Dan will do a great job. He has a great interest in what is happening and I look forward to his reporting. I am a member of the board of directors now. I hope if anyone has a concern that I can help with, you will contact me.



BANQUET UPDATE

Plans for the Annual Winter Banquet are formalizing. Ira will have additional information at the meeting, but here is some preliminary information:

Date: Saturday, March 6, 2004
Place: Arboretum Club
451 West Half Day Road
Buffalo Grove, IL
Time: 6:30 P.M.

Adult Dinner Choices: Pecan Chicken, Grilled Salmon, or London Broil
Children Dinner Choice: Chicken Fingers

The above includes salad, soft drinks, coffee or tea. Prices are still being negotiated, but the childrens' dinner will be half the adult dinner price. Ira promises some exciting entertainment again this year.

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A SOUND RESOLUTION

by Frank Stillson, Noise Chairman

Since the beginning of the Blue Max R/C Club in the early 1970's, we have endeavored to lower the amount of sound that our aircraft engines create. The first efforts were fairly crude mufflers. As muffler designs improved, engine reliability increased and engine noise decreased. We began endorsing their use as a benefit. Today, engine manufacturers and after market supplier provide good quality mufflers.

All R/C pilots need to be aware of the noise their aircraft produce and take reasonable steps to eliminate excessive noise. Everyone who flies at Deer Grove needs to be especially concerned about noise. Our flying field is only a quarter mile west of the condominiums. Our flight patterns often take us within 500 – 600 feet of these residents.

To be a good neighbor, both to our fellow fliers and the condominium residents, we need to keep the noise level of our aircraft down to minimum. The AMA recommends a maximum noise level of 98 decibels. With reasonable effort, pilots can achieve noise levels of less than 90 decibel, or less than half the noise level of a 98 decibel reading.

Some ways to reduce engine noise include:

1. Choose the right engine – 4 stroke engines are inherently quieter than 2 stroke engines
2. Choose the right muffler – reasonably priced, good quality mufflers are available from several sources
3. Mount engines using soft mounts – reduces airframe vibration
4. Select the right propeller – choice of brand, material, and pitch all contribute to the sound that the propeller creates

With a little care and attention, we can all be quieter flyers.

INSTRUCTORS

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FLYING TRUISMS

When a flight is proceeding incredibly well, something was forgotten.

Weather forecasts are horoscopes with numbers.

If you're faced with a forced landing, fly the thing as far into the crash as possible. (Bob Hoover - renowned aerobatic and test pilot)

Basic Flying Rule – try to stay in the middle of the air. Do not go near the edges of it. The edges of the air can be recognized by the appearance of ground, buildings, trees, and interstellar space. It is much more difficult to fly there.

A pilot who doesn't have any fear probably isn't flying his plane to its maximum. (Jon McBride, astronaut)

Airspeed, altitude, and brains. Two are always needed to successfully complete the flight.

Without ammunition, the USAF would be just another expensive flying club.

If the wings are traveling faster than the fuselage, it's probably a helicopter — and therefore, unsafe.



UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

January

- 1/22 – William Baumann
- 1/25 – Bruce Reynolds
- 1/26 – Gene Hartmann
- 1/29– Dan Deitemeyer
- 1/30 – Andrew Olszewski
- 1/31 – John Wooden

February

- 2/1 – Brian Racine
- 2/4 – Matt Graul
- 2/4 – Michael Kislenko
- 2/7– Paul Barsamian
- 2/7 – Steven Kislenko
- 2/11 – Edward Popiolek
- 2/14 – Boris Berns
- 2/14 – Marc Stookal
- 2/16 – Barry Schilling

FOR SALE

Top Flight Beechcraft Bonanza (straight tail) - Gold Edition, 81" wingspan with a new OS 91 FX 2-stroke engine and 4 Futaba servos Only two 10 minute flights on the plane. Ready to fly, all you need is a receiver and battery.

Price: \$500.00. **Contact:** George Gibisch, Geeegib23@aol.com.

Goldberg Decathlon with a Saito 91, Wingspan: 80.75" (2 piece wing w/aluminum wing tube) Wing Area: 969 sq in Weight: 9.5-10.5 lb Wing Loading: 23.7 oz/sq ft Airfoil: Semi-Symmetrical, High-Wing **Includes:** Saito 91 four stroke, runs excellent Tru-Turn aluminum spinner APC 14x6 prop 5 - Hi-Tec 605BB high torque servos (2 ailerons, 2 elevators, 1 rudder) 1 - mini throttle servo All that is needed is a receiver and transmitter, ready to fly. This model has been flown approximately 50 flights. It has never been crashed. Model is covered in Ultra-Cote.

Price: \$475.00. **Contact:** Larry Breit, TheBreit1@comcast.net.



FLEET REDUCTION SALE. **Contact:** Jim Keehan, JimmKeeh@aol.com.

1. Ultra Stick with OS 70 (4 stroke) engine, Includes: flaps, servos, on-board glow, manuals and both batteries (receiver & on-board glow). **Price:** \$275.00.

2. SIG Rascal with Saito 56 (4 STROKE) engine, Includes: servos, on-board glow, manuals and both batteries (receiver & on-board glow). **Price:** \$300.00.



ESTATE SALE

AIRPLANES

Ultimate Bi-Plane - Built from Enlarged Goldberg plans. 62" wingspan with O.S. 3500 engine

Big Hots - Built from enlarged plans. 96" wingspan. Servos and pushrods installed in the fuselage. Tru-Turn spinner and gas engine.

Two Electric Stick models - 44" wingspan

RADIOS

JR PCM 10 - Channel 38, Leather case

JR 10X SPCM - Channel 38, Aluminum case

ENGINES

O.S. Max 3500

O.S. 108

Tartin Gas (twin)

MISC. R/C EQUIPMENT

2 NEJ 900 gyros - NEW

1 JR 501 servo

Ace Digipace

Mini-Tach

4 JR PCM Receivers (10 channels)

2 voltmeters

Hobbico Accu-Cycle

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5 JR coreless servos

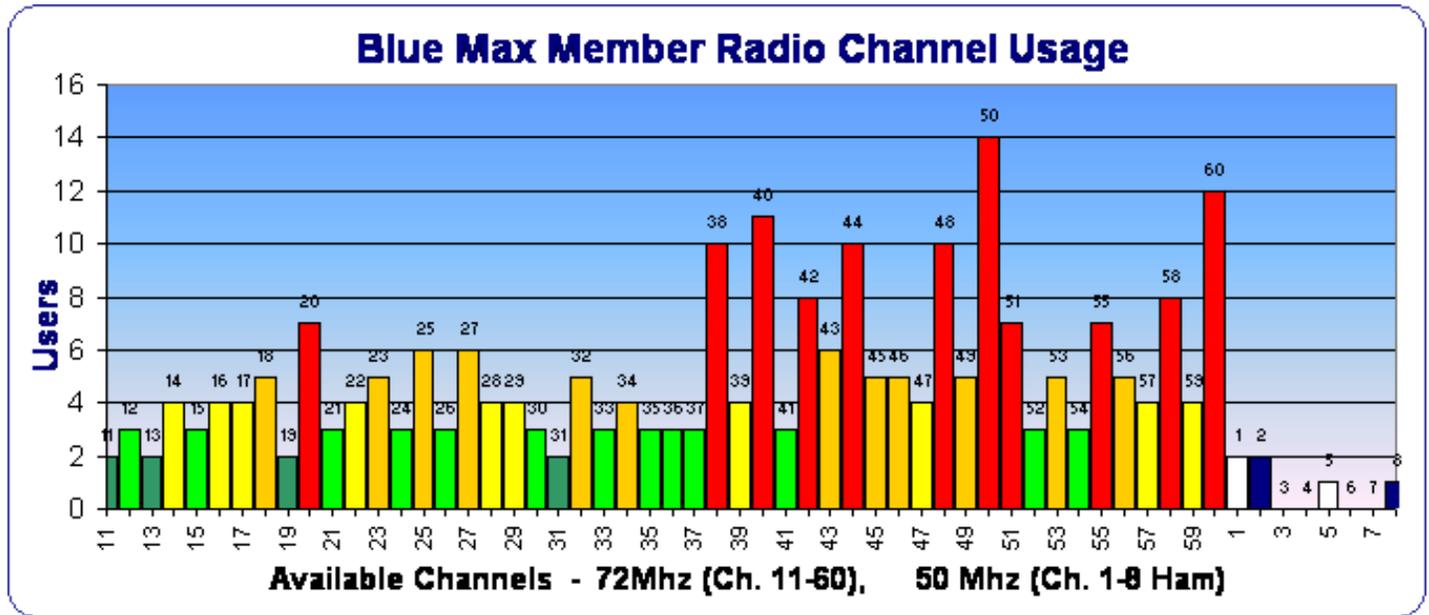
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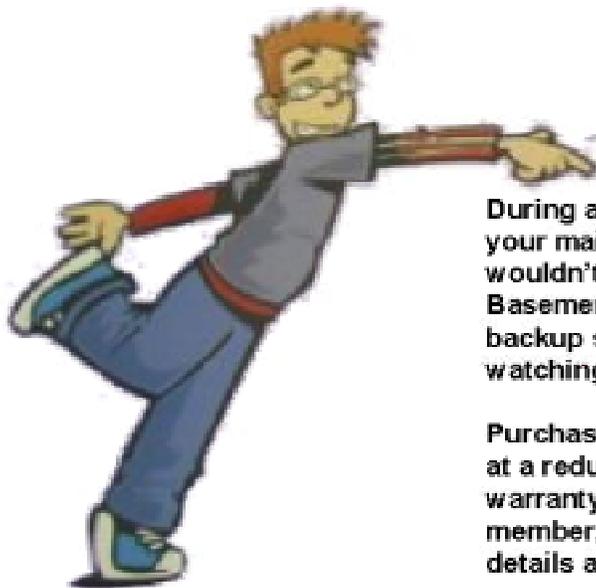
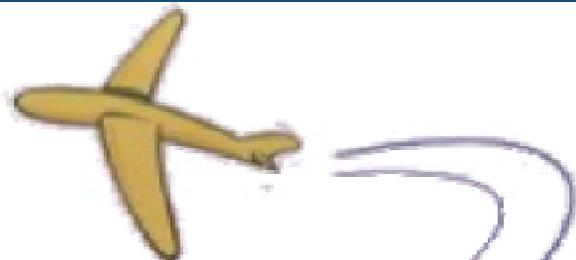
Contact: Nancy Carlsen at (773)631-1328 or Dave Eden at (847)827-6474.



Please contact Mark Matzuka (Info@BlueMaxRC.com) with the following information to add or change radio channel numbers.

1. Your name.
2. All transmitter channels (example: 16, 44, 58 and Ham 4).
3. Any other comments.

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**UPCOMING EVENTS FOR
JANUARY, FEBRUARY, AND MARCH 2004**

JANUARY, 2004

19) Monthly Meeting - 7:30 P.M.

FEBRUARY, 2004

14) Valentines Day
16) Monthly Meeting - 7:30 P.M.

MARCH, 2004

6) Annual Winter Banquet - 6:30 P.M.
15) Monthly Meeting - 7:30 P.M.

