



Blue Max Aces

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Dec program:
Paul Barsamian on
CNC machining

2006 VP elections at
Dec meeting.



Send in Banquet
reservations

Caps and Sweatshirts
are now available.
See Tim Neimeic



Jim's Jabber

by Jim Janiak, President

It is hard to believe it is already December and 2005 is almost over. It seems like just last week it was spring and we were preparing for the flying season. The cold Chicago winter weather is a hard reminder that, except for the hardiest of flyers, it's time to turn to building and those 'fit-it' projects we have been deferring since springtime.



Although activity at the field may be minimal, the club still has several things going on. First, the winter banquet will be here before we know it. It will be on Saturday,

January 28th at the Arboretum Club. Mike McGee has been working hard to put together a great evening for us. You should have received your invitation in the mail already, so be sure to send it in early. Mike is looking for raffle prize donations, so if you have something you would like to donate, please contact Mike.

Jim Speers will once again be preparing the Annual Blue Max Year in Review video. It will be premiering at the Winter Banquet. If you have any pictures or video you would like to contribute, contact Jim at (847) 367-5600. Jim has done a fantastic job in putting together an awesome retrospective of our flying year. Help him out and send in your contributions!

We are in the process of voting for Club Vice President. My apologies to Platon, Tim and rest of the club for my error in creating the ballot. I had incorrectly listed the names for VP nominees and it was not detected when I sent it out for review. After discussion at the November meeting it was decided to hold the VP election this month. I hope you will vote for this important position. We have two excellent candidates to choose from.

I want to welcome our new board members Ardie Arnold, Pete Sidor, and Yohay Hahamy. They will be replacing Paul Barsamian, Bob Davit, and Joe Keehan. Steve Haas will continue serving the club as a board member for another year. Thanks and appreciation to Paul, Bob and Joe for

President
Jim Janiak

Vice President
Tim Niemiec

Editor
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Board of Directors
Ardie Arnold
Steve Haas
Yohay Hahamy
Pete Sidor

Secretary
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Treasurer
Dan Deitemeyer

Webmaster
Jeff Schulman

COMMITTEES

Banquet
Mike McGee
Jim Keehan

Field Marshal
Pete Sidor
Yohay Hahamy

Flying Proficiency
Tim Niemiec
Ron Pettec

Fun-Fly
Bob Davit
Don Linder

Ground Crew
Dennis Brumley

Noise
Frank Stillson

Picnic
Jim Janiak

Program
Rudy Krolopp

Safety
Dennis Brumley

their never ending support during the year. Their help and guidance was critical to the success of the club in 2005.

It is wonderful to have new faces and fresh ideas on the board. Ardie, Pete and Yohay will bring a new perspective to the board and help set our direction and priorities for 2006. I encourage you to talk with me and any board member about any ideas you have.

We all should thank Eugene Kislenko, Secretary; Dan Deitemeyer Treasurer; Don Linder, Newsletter Editor; Jeff Schulman, Webmaster; Pete Sidor and Yohay Hahamy, Field Marshals; Tim Niemiec and Ron Petterec, Flying Proficiency; Bob Davit and Don Linder, Fun Fly; Dennis Brumley, Ground Crew and Safety; Frank Stillson Noise; and last but not least Rudy Krolopp, Program Chairman. These guys did a great job throughout the entire year. Much of what these guys do is behind the scenes but their results are well known and visible to the entire club. When you see these fine gentlemen at the meeting or Banquet be sure to tell them thanks as well.

I want to offer special thanks to Tim Niemiec, Vice President. Tim has been an exceptional Vice President and great contributor to the club for several years and 2005 was no exception. His advice and help throughout the year have been invaluable to me and the rest of the club. Tim – many thanks for all you've done for Blue Max and helping me this year.

Finally I want to thank the rest of you for your efforts throughout 2005. Fun-flys, club meetings, static air shows and demonstrations, annual picnic, winter banquet, club video, field maintenance, flight instruction, and ground crew efforts rely on the collective efforts of our members. You deserve recognition and thanks for your individual efforts in helping the club at these events. The accomplishments of the club come in the collective efforts of individual contributors. Blue Max is greater than the sum of our members because of our willingness to work together and help others and still having fun at the same time.

In looking back on 2005 I think it was a great year for the club and the potential for 2006 is even better. Wishing you and your families a wonderful and safe holiday season and a spectacular 2006.

Jim

Banquet Committee – Mike McGee

The Winter Banquet will be Saturday, January 28, 2006 at the Arboretum Club.

The Committee is looking for people to gather door prizes. This includes asking dealers for donations, and collecting donations from members. New or gently used airplanes, kits or components can be donated. The drawing is a highlight of the dinner and it will be much more fun if lots of prizes are available. Contact Mike McGee if you can help in this way.

GROUND CREW

Ardie Arnold
Dennis Brumley
Larry Bochenko
Gene Derbick
Jim Keehan
Joe Keehan

INSTRUCTORS

Basic
Dennis Brumley

INSTRUCTORS

Primary

Paul Barsamian
Ed Der
Jason Derbick
George Gibisch
Steve Haas
Yohay Hahamy
Duane Lang
Don Linder
Kurt Schmitt
Clay Smith
Jim Speers
Frank Stillson
Carl Will
Don Wolfe

INSTRUCTORS

Unlimited

Tim Niemiec
Ron Petterec
BobTomasulo

MEETING MINUTES



by Eugene Kislenko, Secretary

**Blue MAX R/C Flying Club
November Meeting Notes**

Meeting Date: November 21, 2005

Secretary: Eugene Kislenko

Jim Janiak called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM.

Monthly Fly-in

Tonight's program was presented by our own **Don Linder**. Don presented to The Club his finished model of the C-47/DC-3 and the great story of the former pilot of this plane **Dave Eden**.

Around the Hangar

The Secretary's report was accepted as published in the newsletter.

Treasurer's report. **Dan Deitemeyer** informed The Club that as of the meeting we have \$2,728 on the account. This is a good and healthy level for this time.

Fun Fly – we'll wait till next year. Check the web site for more details.

Noise Control. Frank had no problems with noise. It's time for building planes again, and Frank reminded everyone that a quiet airplane starts with solid construction.

Refreshments for this meeting were brought by Rudy. Thank you again!

Dennis Brumley, Safety Director, also had not noticed any serious issues. Dennis gave some advice for building time. It is NOT recommended to glue fingers together or hand to a head. Also, be careful with fire in the garage.

Another motion proposed is to review an option of separating heli pads from the main flying field, tentatively to the west side.

Proficiency. Ron Petterec sends his warm wishes from sunny Arizona!

Webmaster. No new updates.

Banquet. The Banquet is scheduled for January 28th. Look for invitations in your mailbox. In addition, invitations will be available on the Web side. Suggested budget for the banquet is around \$1,000. As always Jim Spears is willing to put together a DVD with review of the Flying Year 2005, but he needs help. Please send Jim as many pictures and movies as you can. Call Jim to find out more information as to how deliver your media to him.

New on the radar

Because of the mistake in the mailed ballot and in the one published on the Internet it was decided to nullify all votes for the VP position and hold a new election before/at the December meeting.

Old business

Hats and sweat shirts are available. The board will investigate the feasibility of ordering jackets.

Further investigation revealed that no additional AMA permit or insurance is required for open events; however additional insurance for \$2.5 million is available for only a \$20 fee.

It was pointed out that the radio frequencies chart of the roster became "static" and needs to be updated. Same about e-mail addresses. It was proposed to add this information to the membership renewal form.

If you need a set of plug-ins for opening most Microsoft Office documents, visit the openoffice.org web site.

New on the runway:

Yohay Hahamy brought his new Super Stearman biplane built from a Midwest Kit. It has a wingspan of 68" and weighs 12-13 Lb. It was a fun kit to build.

Top Gun:

Jim Janiak won the raffle prize – an Extra 330 Freestyle.

Elections results

And finally – results of this year's elections:

Jim Janiak – elected for **President**

Club's **new board:**

Ardie Arnold

Steve Haas

Yohay Hahamy

Pete Sidor

As it was noted earlier, the new VP will be announced at the December meeting.

Pilot's Briefing:

Don Linder presented his C-47 built from the Top Flight DC-3 kit. This is the same model Don was demonstrating to The Club at the April meeting when it was semi-built. Now it is a completed model and it looks great! It is IMAA legal (wingspan 82.5") and powered by two O.S. FX .46 engines. The plane weighs 8 to 10 Lb and it flew the first time on August 17th.

In addition Don presented a great story of the airplane, which was a real workhorse of WWII and of its pilot - **Dave Eden**. It is a great story of the hero pilot who flew the C-47 through calm and stormy skies and made significant contribution to the great victories for his country. Dave named his plane "**Lamb Chop**", which was his pet name for his new wife.





Here is picture taken by Larry Olson at Deer Grove of Don, Dave Eden, Pearl (the pug) and Lamb Chop.

Pictured below is Dave with his C-47 Lamb Chop in Burma in 1945.



Flying the "Hump" into China.



First flight takeoff roll



First flight climb out – steep isn't it

Speaking of Sound Reduction

by Frank Stillson

As most of you know, there has been a sound reduction program in place in the BLUE MAX RC FLYING CLUB for the past 20 years. The reason for this program has been to be considerate to our fellow flyers, spectators, and especially to the neighbors who live close to the flying field, in the condos just to the East of the field.

For the new members and a reminder to the veterans, the Condos are just over a QUARTER MILE TO THE EAST OF THE FIELD! When we fly in that direction we can approach to less than 600 feet of the living quarters. In the past we have had some complaints from these residents. By trying to stay away from the condos and lowering the sound output from the aircraft, we have reduced these complaints.

Some reminders of what I have stressed over the years, regarding sound reduction

- 1-Build or assemble your aircraft so as to keep vibration down to a minimum
- 2-Soft mount your engines, if possible.
- 3-Use a good muffler, either the one that comes with the motor or purchase a good and quiet after market muffler.
- 4-Prop your aircraft so the tip speed will not exceed the sound barrier. There is a chart available to help with the correct prop size. Some numbers as to prop size and RPM are listed here.

10" prop should not exceed	12,600 RPM
12" less than	10,500
14" less than	9,000
16" less than	7,800
18" less than	7,000
20" less than	6,300
22" less than	5,700
24" less than	5,200 RPM

So enjoy the building season and be ready to fly in the spring with all your new aircraft.

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

<u>December</u>		<u>January</u>	
Rick Kohn	12/22	Anthony Moliana	1/1
William Putzbach	12/23	Dennis Brumley	1/6
Jim Keehan	12/31	William Putzbach	1/8
		Josh Short	1/8
		Larry Bochenko	1/13

Aeronautical Truisms

Advice given to RAF pilots during W. W. II. *When a prang (crash) seems inevitable, endeavor to strike the softest, cheapest object in the vicinity as slowly and gently as possible.*

The Piper Cub is the safest airplane in the world; it can just barely kill you. (Attributed to Max Stanley, Northrop test pilot)

From an old carrier sailor - *Blue water Navy truism; There are more planes in the ocean than submarines in the sky.*

Weather forecasts are horoscopes with numbers.

BLUE MAX WEAR

Caps \$10

Sweatshirts \$20

Sizes: Small to 2X

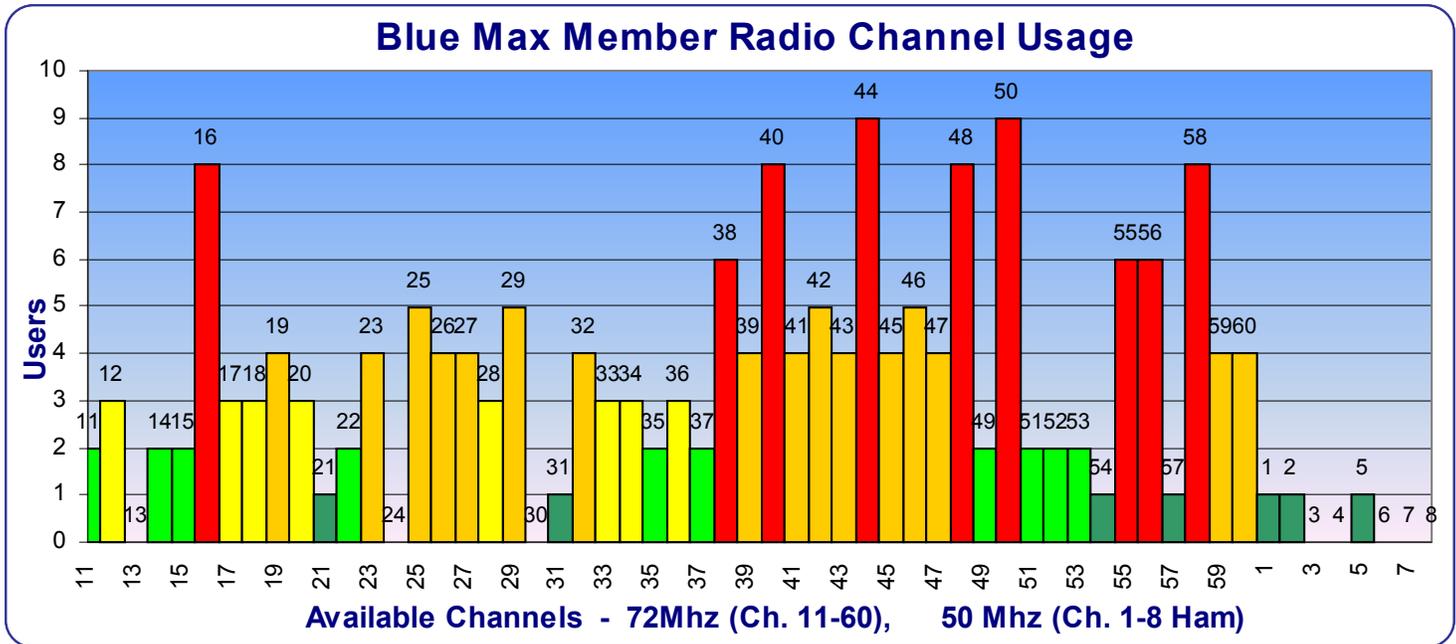
T-Shirts \$10

Available next Spring



Tim and Ray are thrilled with their caps and sweatshirts. Get your Blue Max caps, T-shirts, and sweatshirts. Caps and sweatshirts are now in stock and available at the meetings. See Tim Niemiec

FREQUENCY CHART



Please contact Blue Max at (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.

**Blue Max R/C Flying Club
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Look on the web for the newsletter in color.

**UPCOMING EVENTS FOR
December 2005 – February 2006**

December 2005

19) Monthly Meeting

January 2006

16) Monthly Meeting

28) Banquet

February 2006

20) Monthly Meeting
