



# Blue Max Aces

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*Fun-Fly June 18,  
Airplane Bowling.*



*June program: Mike  
McGee on writing a  
magazine article.*

*Future programs on  
Field safety, Hobby  
Q&A, and a  
Presentation by  
Bob Walker*



## Jim's Jabber

by Jim Janiak, President

It seems like our 15 minutes of Chicago springtime has come and gone giving way to hot and humid summer weather. The recent hot weather has helped me appreciate the shade we have by the pits. Now that we have our picnic tables back, it makes for a great place to sit and rest or tinker with your plane.



One thing I've noticed at the field and it has been going on for quite some time, is the level of teamwork and cooperation. Whether it's helping a club member get his finicky engine working,

ground checking a new members' plane or instructors working with new pilots, club members are pitching in and helping others out. It's not uncommon to see two or three guys helping someone out. It's great to see everyone working together. This is how new members learn about building and flying planes. It also teaches them, by your good example, how to act at the field in a courteous and cooperative manner. Those of us who have been around for a while see last years' "newbies" helping out this year's new pilots. This is one of the great traditions of our hobby and the club. Let's keep the spirit of cooperation alive and well.

Speaking of cooperation, I'd like to thank Bob D, Paul B, and Tim N. for volunteering to help out with an air show and R/C demo for a group of 8 – 10 year olds last week. Then at the last minute we had a date change. None of them could make the new time. Carl and Duane stepped in at the last minute to help out. They both did a great job putting on an air show and letting the kids fly on the buddy box. Threatening weather brought a quick end to the program, but everyone including the parents had an exciting time. This was a great way to expose some potential new flyers

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### Picnic

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### Program

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### Safety

Dennis Brumley

to the hobby. Look for us to repeat the same format in the September time frame for an Indian Guide group.

Don't forget about the **Fun-Fly** on **Saturday** the **18th**. We have changed the date so that you will have Father's Day open for family activity. See you at the field.

Mike McGee will be our speaker for the June 20 meeting. Mike recently had an article in **Model Airplane News**. He will talk to us about the problems and challenges of writing an article for publication.

Fly safe and have fun,

*Jim*

## Next Fun Fly: June 18th, 2005

Our second Fun-Fly was held on May 15. It was a timed **Climb and Glide**. Winners are pictured in the meeting minutes.

Our next event will be **June 18<sup>th</sup>**. **Please note, this is a Saturday**. We are scheduling the event for Saturday because Sunday is Father's Day. The event will be **Plane Bowling**. You will have 2 passes to knock down as many pins as possible towing a lightweight ball on a string.

Start time is **10:00 a.m.** and usually runs about 1 hour. The Fun-Fly is set-up so that all skill levels can participate, even if you're on a buddy box with an instructor. Every participant receives a prize for participating in the Fun-Fly. A handicap system is used to give everyone a chance at the good position / prizes.

Noise is a major concern at the Deer Grove Flying Field so, as an incentive to quiet down our planes, bonus percentages are added to your score. Planes over 100 dB are prohibited from flying in the Fun-Fly. Planes with a dB reading of 90-95dB receive a 5% bonus and planes below 90dB receive a 10% bonus. Decibel readings are taken at the beginning of each Fun-Fly and AMA cards maybe checked.

### UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

<u>June</u>		<u>July</u>	
Ken Alter	6/23	Jason Derbick	7/5
Jim Janiak	6/25	Lee Eckert	7/7
Leon Heller	6/27	Romeo Bachand	7/11
Benjamin Heller	6/29	Amy Bochenko	7/11
Stephen Tomczyk	6/29	Matt Bender	7/14
		Richard Butler	7/17
		Ira Katz	7/18

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# MEETING MINUTES

by *Eugene Kislenko, Secretary*

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

Meeting Date: May 16, 2005

Secretary: Eugene Kislenko



Tim Niemiec called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

## Cockpit Announcement

We had the privilege of welcoming new members **Ash Fodar, Scott Zeliar, Debbie and Jennie Kimball**. Most of these folks are either visited the flying field or Venture Hobbies where they were bitten by the RC bug. Most of these folks are eager to start flying and Jennie is actually flying electrics already and now is trying to get into glow flying. Welcome to The Club! You will have lots of fun here!

## Monthly Fly-in

Tonight's program was presented by **Chuck Giese** and **Mike Kellner** from Marengo Metal Works. These guys have started a joint venture to build and eventually sell large scale metal planes. Currently they have plans for a couple of warbirds and at the meeting they presented their first creation – 111" wingspan prototype of P-51D "Mustang".

## Around the Hangar

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

**Dan Deitemeyer**, Treasurer, provided an update of our financial situation. We are still financially strong. The Operating Fund is approximately \$7,685. Now you can see 3 years of complete Treasurer's is online.

**Fun Fly. Bob Davit and Don Linder**. The second fun fly of the season took place on May 15<sup>th</sup>. The day was very pleasant and the program was to take off, go up as high as possible and then throttle back to idle and perform 2 figures while gliding – loop and a roll. And of course landing – preferably within the circle.

The attendance was great and here are the results:

Solo category:

1<sup>st</sup> place – Pete Sidor



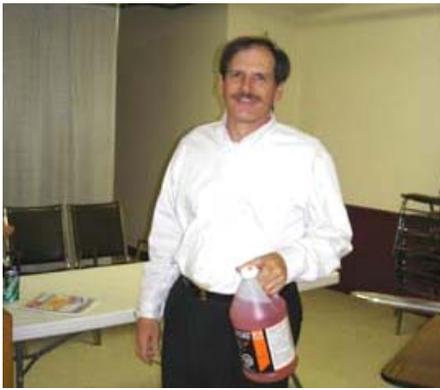
Intermediate/Advanced category:

1<sup>st</sup> place – Dan Deitemeyer



2<sup>nd</sup> place – Bob Davit

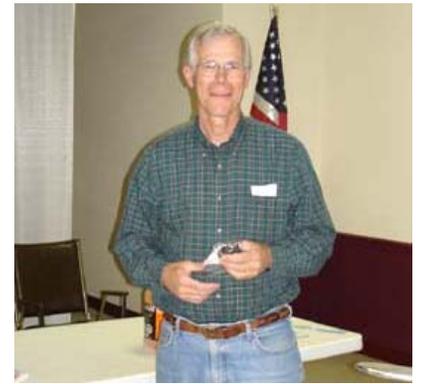




Sport category:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place – Dwayne Lang
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Paul Barsamian  
(not pictured)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Don Linder

Other participants in this category: Ron Petterec, Frank Stillson and Steve Haas



**Picnic.** The time for the picnic is rapidly approaching and **Bob Davit** is looking for help. Any assistance will be greatly appreciated.

**Noise Control.** Just keep 'em as quiet as possible!!!

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

**DVDs.** Jim Speers has them ready. Everybody who signed in and was present at the meeting got one. If you still would like to have this DVD please contact Jim Speers. [jspeers@bzprod.com](mailto:jspeers@bzprod.com)

**Dennis Brumley, Safety Director,** has not noted any significant safety issues.

**Webmaster.** Any suggestions on the web page should be forwarded to **Jeff Schulman.**

#### [New on the radar](#)

New motion has being made to pay \$150 to the G.A.S club as they are planning to roll the flying field. (The field has not been rolled yet because the ground is too dry.-Editor)

#### [Unhappy Landings](#)

**Dennis Brumley** was the proud owner of the last meeting's raffle prize as he crashed his winning - Ultra Stick.

**Josef Haas** crashed his light Elite plane. The plane went up and down – to the ground. And this whole show made Josef's son very happy!

**Pete Sidor** lost his Tiger-2.

**Chuck Giese** told everyone a story of how during one of the test flights, the Mustang, during high-speed descent, was intercepted by a tree.

**Eugene Kislenko** had a mishap with the Lancair. The plane landed on the wing. It is very questionable if it is going to fly again.

**Tim Niemiec** lost his Extra while flying at Busse woods.

#### [Top Gun:](#)

**Andreas Lindstrom** won the raffle prize – a P40E Warhawk ARF.



### Pilot's Briefing:

This month's "special guest" presentation was a 1/4 scale P51D Mustang made with aviation aluminum by Precision Miniatures Division of Marengo Metal Works Company. The plane was presented by the guys who started this venture – **Chuck Giese** and **Mike Kellner**. They presented the very first plane from the planned 10 prototypes which they hope to build before it can be sent to production.



The plane is impressive – wingspan is 111“. Fuselage length is 96.5“. Wing area 14.5 Sq. feet. Wing Load 36 oz/sq ft. Dry weight of this plane is about 33 Lb. It is powered by a Zenoah G-62 gas engine. It first flew in November of 2004.

Chuck and Mike decided to start building this plane after visiting the Toledo show. This year they are planning to demonstrate this plane there. For those of us who does not want to travel that far the opportunity to see it will be at this year's Giants Fly-In in St. Charles.

Chuck and Mike have lots of plans regarding this plane. They have a second prototype almost ready. The current plane has a fixed gear but future releases should have retracts. The plans are to sell this plane to the public as a kit or as an ARF. Each package will be built to order and the buyer will have an opportunity to pick a favorite color scheme.

Final price has not being set yet, but expectations are that the base price will be around \$7,000. You will have to add your engine and radio. To build the kit you will need pretty much the same set of tools as are required to build a custom real plane.



If the experiment is be successful Chuck and Mike are planning to start building a fleet of warbirds using the same technology.



They also brought a smaller size Zero which was one of their earlier constructions.

Anyone who is interested to find out more about these planes and the progress of the venture can visit a web site at [www.marengometalworks.com](http://www.marengometalworks.com).

Picture Gallery:



# BLUE MAX WEAR

Caps \$10  
 T-Shirts \$10  
 Sweatshirts \$22

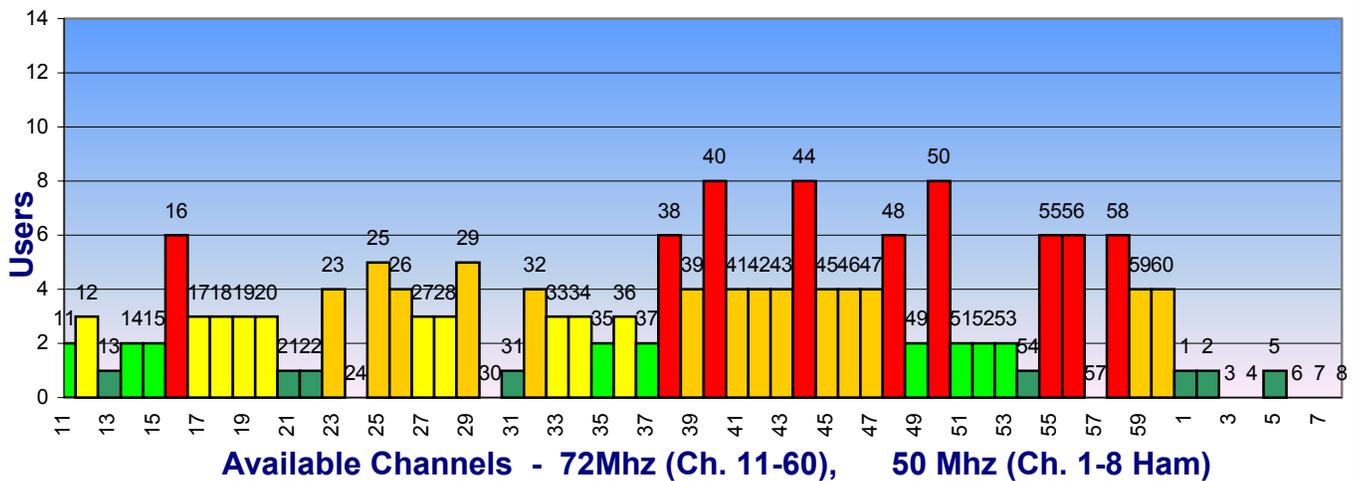
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 Get your Blue Max caps, T-shirts, and sweatshirts.  
 Available at the meetings. See Ira Katz

# FREQUENCY CHART

Blue Max Member Radio Channel Usage



Please contact Blue Max at ([Info@BlueMaxRC.com](mailto: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  
June – Aug 2005**

**June 2005**

- 18) Fun Fly**
- 20) Monthly Meeting**

**July 2005**

- 17) Fun Fly**
- 18) Monthly Meeting**

**Aug 2005**

- 14) Fun Fly and Picnic**
  - 15) Monthly Meeting**
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