



# Blue Max Aces

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**Fun-Fly May 20 at  
10:00 a.m.  
Vegas Crap Shoot**



**Next meeting May 21.  
Start time - 7:00 p.m.**



**Program will be a  
presented by club  
member Tim McKay  
with 27 yrs. in USAF.**

## Jim's Jabber

by Jim Keehan - President

I hope that everyone has been able to fly by now. The weather has been less than ideal, but we have had a few good days. If you haven't gotten out yet, plan on doing it as soon as you can. The summer is still ahead of us, so we look forward to a lot of good times.



Our Field Marshall, Gene Zerega, is working on a plan to make sure that the grass is cut on a regular basis this year. In the past we have had problems with the Forest Preserve on this issue. As a Club we could get the three necessary permits and do it ourselves, but this is an expensive and time consuming option. First, someone has to go to the proper Cook

County office three times to get the permits. The Club has to pay for the permits and the Club has to pay a contractor to cut the grass. The cost of the cut is easily \$200 per cutting. If we do it ten times over the year, the cost would be \$2000 or more, plus the permits. We all wish Gene good luck in getting the cooperation of the Forest Preserve on this vital issue.

On a related subject, I was recently questioned by a Forest Preserve Policeman while my car was sitting near the pit area. It started out to be a somewhat confrontational situation, but quickly turned in an amicable one. The bottom line is that the Forest Preserve Police get a lot of people asking them about our privilege to use the "Loading and Unloading" driveway and area near the Pits. All they are asking us is to make it easy for them to see that we are loading and/or unloading our planes and equipment. So, while your car is in that area, leave your tailgate or trunk open. As long as they can see that we are in the process of loading or unloading, we are OK. If you close up your vehicle and spend five minutes talking to someone, they will investigate. So, it is simple. When you get out of your car, open the trunk/tailgate. Leave it open until you depart.

Let's have FUN and be SAFE.

*Jim Keehan*

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#### Noise

Frank Stillson

#### Picnic

Tim Niemiec  
Carl Will

#### Program

Jim Keehan

#### Safety

Carl Will



## Sport Pilots



1. Duane Lang 2. Steve Haas 3. Don Linder 5. Ron Petterec 6. Carl Will  
4. Paul Barsamiam (not pictured)

- ✦ **Newsletter** – **Don** -Please send articles and/or pictures for the newsletter. A variety of sources will keep the newsletter interesting.
- ✦ **Noise - Frank** - Use a good muffler. Select the right prop size for your engine to reduce noise from prop tips.
- ✦ **Picnic** – **Carl Will** - No report.
- ✦ **Refreshments** - Thanks again to **Carl**.
- ✦ **Proficiency** – **Ron Petterec** - no report.
- ✦ **Program - Mike**- Next meeting will feature a talk on careers in the Air Force by **Gordon McKay**.
- ✦ **Webmaster**- The Member Roster is going to be kept up to date at least monthly. Both pdf and Excel versions are now available. If you haven't been able to get access to the members only section, send an email to Don Linder who will reply with an instruction sheet. Peter is always requesting photos to be sent in for the web photo album.

**Board of Directors** – A meeting of the Board was held.

### Old Business

**Fuel Program.** Jim said the fuel has not yet been shipped. Please pick up your fuel on the day that will be announced. Venture cannot store the fuel for us.

**Instructor Sign Up** - Venture hobbies will maintain a list of instructors so that students can call to arrange a time for instruction. While we will help non-club members, this will be limited to one week-end of instruction. All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

### New on the Radar

**Single Design Project:** Mike McGee decided to cancel for this year and try to start earlier next year.

Unhappy Landings

Gene Derbick lost a plane in the Fun-fly. "The plane went up and came down hard."

New on the Runway



**Carl Will's** Hangar9 SuperStar, powered by an O.S. 120 pumped engine which is something like a Laser.

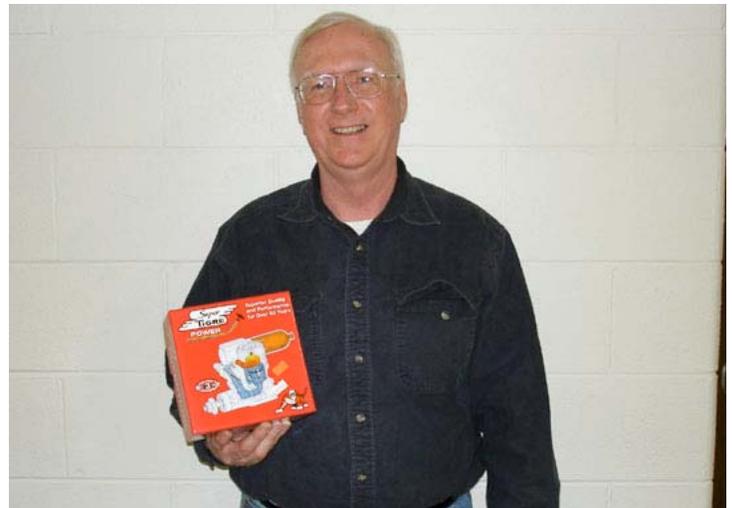


**Ryan Weinberg** shows his progress on the Gold Edition Spitfire kit.

Top Guns



**Matt Hauser** decided to finish a SIG Cougar that had been around a long time. The black paint is covered with Urethane. An O.S. 46 powers it.



**Joe Keehan** won the raffle prize, a Super Tigre engine.

Pilot's Briefing

Paper Airplane Toss Winners at left: **Frank Stillson, Robbie Theis** and **Don Elekman**. Venture Hobby gift certificates were awarded.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.





Everyone enjoyed the paper airplane toss.

## Fun-Fly – Pete Sidor, Matt Hauser

The May 20th Fun-Fly will be the **Las Vegas Crap Shoot**. You have your plane ready, but not running. Time starts when you pick the dice. You must roll a double, then start your plane, place it behind the line, take off, do a loop and a roll, land, taxi back across the line, pick up the dice and roll a 7 or 11. Then time stops.

The June Fun-Fly will be the Mail run. You put a letter on your plane. Spot take off and landing for points. Take off, do a roll and a loop, land, bring your letter to the bench. Time stops. The letter contains + and - points.

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. Decibel readings are taken at the beginning of each Fun-Fly and AMA cards may be checked.

### INSTRUCTORS Unlimited

Tim Niemiec  
Ron Petterec  
Bob Tomasulo

### INSTRUCTORS Primary

Paul Barsamian  
Ed Der  
Steve Haas  
Yohay Hahamy  
Don Linder  
Kurt Schmitt  
Jim Speers  
Frank Stillson  
Carl Will

### INSTRUCTORS Basic

Duane Lang

### GROUND CREW

Gene Derbick  
Jim Keehan

## Safety – Carl Will

As the flying season picks up steam we are going to have new people coming out to the field for their first time. This is good for the hobby, but it is vital that we keep our eyes open so that we can see them coming. New people don't have any idea of the rules of the field, and are more than likely to turn on their transmitter without regard to the frequency board. They are eager and, in many cases, unaware of the importance of frequency control.

This weekend a potential disaster for one of our club members was averted by me checking out a new guy who was about ready to turn on his transmitter. This time no harm done, but we have to be active in watching for new people showing up. We should introduce ourselves and politely run them through the rules and procedures of the field. Maybe we will get new club members and safer fly out of the deal.

Happy Flying!

**Carl**

### UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

<u>May</u>		<u>June</u>	
Bruno Ozga, Jr.	5/22	Rudy Krolopp	6/7
Robert Davit	5/25	Scott Dickes	6/12
Carl Will	5/26	Gordon "Tim" McKay	6/12
		Kyle Kueker	6/17

## IAF Spitfire – Yohay Hahamy

I wanted to share with the membership about a project that I just finished a few weeks ago. This is a classic case of ARF bashing, and the story goes like this:

The Ex President of Israel named **Ezer Wietzman** was a WW2 RAF pilot, who flew the Spitfire in the war. In the late 40's, Ezer formed the new IAF (Israeli Air Force).

Well, in the early 50's, he naturally flew a Spitfire that he painted Black with Red trim.

The plane is STILL flying today regularly and is also used for ceremonial flying displays. It can be viewed in the IAF museum in Israel in Hatserim.

Follow the Internet link, and you will be able to read about the man, and the plane. Below is the plane that I modeled.

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ezer\\_Weizman](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ezer_Weizman)

[http://www.1000pictures.com/view.htm?caircraft/spitfire+fimg\\_9442.jpg+x1024+y768](http://www.1000pictures.com/view.htm?caircraft/spitfire+fimg_9442.jpg+x1024+y768)

I took the Horizon Hanger 9 Spitfire 60 ARF, (for lack of time), stripped it, and recovered the plane in the scale colors.

I also had a hard time duplicating the IAF logo that is in the nose of the plane, so I call the IAF, send them a picture of the completed plane, and they emailed me a Hi-Res Image of the logo.



All of the decals and the logo were made by my friend, Eddie Shamo of Buffalo Grove. Eddie is the owner of a decal company for cars, trucks, and racing cars called "Advance Auto Accessories". Eddie made the decals from fuel proof vinyl, and they came out just GREAT.

If any of you would like to use his services, call me, and I'll get you Eddie's contact info.

The plane has retracts, an OS 90FX engine, and an Airtronics Vision 8P Radio.

See you next time, **Yohay**

# BLUE MAX WEAR

Caps \$10

Sweatshirts \$20

Sizes: Small to 3X

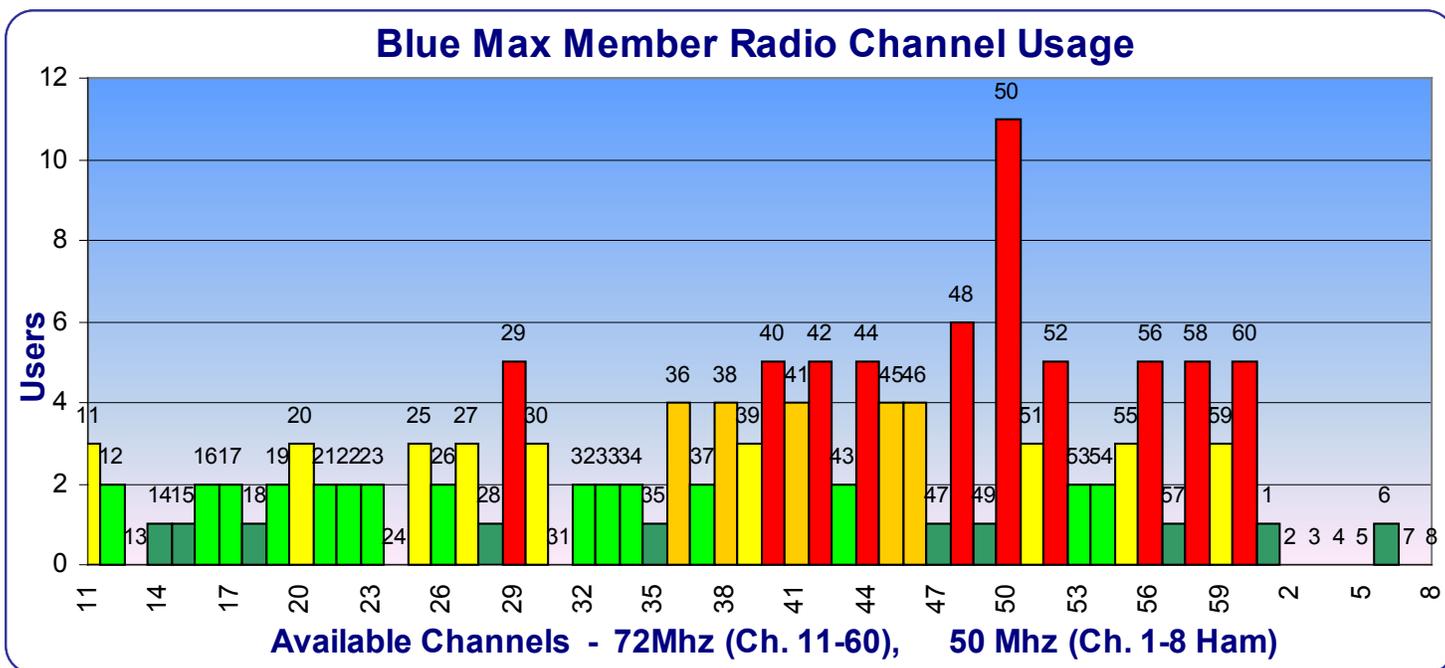
T-Shirts \$10

Available Now!



Show your Club Pride at the field!  
 Wear your Blue Max caps, T-shirts, and sweatshirts.  
 Caps and sweatshirts are now in stock and available at the meetings.  
 See Don Linder.

# FREQUENCY CHART



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.

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**Look on the web for the newsletter in color.**

**UPCOMING EVENTS FOR  
May 2007 – July 2007**

**May 2007**

- 20) Fun-Fly - 10:00a.m.**
- 21) Monthly Meeting - 7:00p.m.**

**June 2007**

- 17) Fun-Fly - 10:00a.m.**
- 18) Monthly Meeting - 7:00p.m.**

**July 2007**

- 15) Fun-Fly - 10:00a.m.**
- 16) Monthly Meeting - 7:00p.m.**
- 21) G.A.S. Club picnic**



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