



# Blue Max Aces

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**Next meeting  
November 15th at  
St. Thomas School.  
Start time - 7:00 p.m.**



**Bring your non-perishable food items for the food closet!!**



## Bradford's Briefing

by Bradford Walters

**W**inter in northern Illinois is just around the corner. A few of our snowbirds have already flown to warmer climates to continue their flying. Now that the time change is in effect, it is really starting to feel more like winter. Deer Grove is only open until dusk, so we are losing a few hours of daylight flying time. This is the time that a lot of builders go to work in designing, drawing, repairing, and whatever else this great hobby of RC modeling leads them to do over the winter months. This is also a good time to winterize your models if you are hanging up the transmitter until Spring.



Election time is here again. At our November meeting the membership will vote in the 2011 officers that will be in effect at the end of the meeting on December 20<sup>th</sup>. Let me know if you have any desire to be on any of the committees. They are Fun Fly, Program, Safety, Refreshments, Field Marshall, Flying Proficiency, Picnic Banquet, Noise Control, and Webmaster.

Before we know it February will be here and the Club's Winter Banquet. I'm asking all of the membership to help with donations of kits, ARF's, tools, or building supplies that are in new condition. Things that you've acquired and never got around to using or you bought and just didn't get to work on it. All items will be for the 2011 Winter Banquet raffle held on February 5<sup>th</sup>.

By helping to support St Thomas of Villanova's food closet, we are making a difference in the community and to those that are in need. Remember to bring in your non-perishable food items every month. See you at the field and at the meeting on November 15th.

*Bradford Walters*

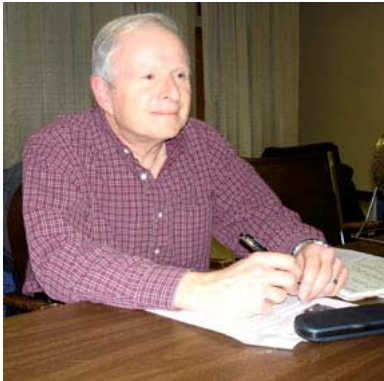
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### COMMITTEES

- Banquet**  
Tom Jetson  
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- Flying Proficiency**  
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Pete Sidor
- Ground Crew**  
Gene Zerega  
Matt Hauser
- Noise**  
Bradford Walters
- Picnic**  
Rich Blaha
- Programs**  
Bob Davit
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# MEETING MINUTES

by *Murry Randell, Secretary*



**Blue Max R/C Flying Club**  
**October Meeting Notes**  
 Meeting Date: October 18, 2010  
 Secretary: Murry Randell

The October 18, 2010 meeting of the Blue Max RC Flying Club was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by President **Bradford Walters**.

## Welcome Guests

None

## Welcome New Members

**Brad Neuman**

## Around the Hangar

**President's Report: Bradford Walters** – It has been nice to hear people outside of Blue Max talking about how friendly the members of Blue Max are to them.

**Secretary Report: Murry Randell** – Minutes of the meeting were accepted as published in the newsletter.

**Treasurer Report: Bob Wisinski** – Current balance is \$2585.29.

### Committee Reports:

- ✦ **Banquet: Frank Stillson** – Next month Frank will have sign-up forms for the banquet. Magic Dave is the entertainment.
- ✦ **Field Marshal: Matt Hauser** – We need a new windsock. **Frank Stillson** said that he has one.
- ✦ **Fun Fly: Pete Sidor** – Oct Fun Fly – Musical Planes 1<sup>st</sup> Place – **Ron Petterec** 10 pts Other participants at 4 pts. each were **Tab Battaglia, Rich Blaha, Larry Bochenko, Duane Lang, and Bradford Walters**. Pete announced that he would no longer be coordinating the fun flies. We need a volunteer for 2011.
- ✦ **Newsletter: Bradford and Lynne Walters** – No report.
- ✦ **Noise: Bradford Walters** – No report.
- ✦ **Picnic: Rich Blaha** – Rich is looking for some new ideas for next year's picnic.
- ✦ **Proficiency: Yohay Hahamy** – None.
- ✦ **Program: Bob Davit** – None.
- ✦ **Refreshments: Bob Breckler** – Thanks to **Bob Breckler**.
- ✦ **Safety: Don Linder/Sam Rimer** – Do not fly from the fence gates. Make sure you are standing on a pad.
- ✦ **Webmaster: Doug Bradbury** – Will talk to Doug about an online voting page for the officer elections.
- ✦ **Ambassador: Pete Warenski** – No report.

## Old Business

None.

## New Business.

1. **Rich Blaha** said that he would like to see more even competition in the fun flies, which brought up a discussion of competition and participation.
2. **Dan Deitemeyer** brought up additional safety rules for the field.

### 3. Nominations for 2011 Officers

**President – Bradford Walters**

**Vice President – Steve Haas**

**Board of Directors –**

**Rich Blaha**

**Larry Bochenko**

**Rudy Krolopp**

**Carl Will**

**Gene Zerega**

### Unhappy Landings

**Carl Will** – Zero ran out of gas and landed in tall grass.

**Mike McGee** – SIG Kadet Sr – elevator disconnected, hinge problem.

### October Program

**Rich Frost** gave us great ideas on how to prepare and install hinges on planes. He uses white canopy glue into a 3/32" hole drilled into the middle of the hinge slot. He punches a hole in the hinge so when it is placed into the slot the glue adheres to the hinge and the wood like a pin. Have Rich explain it to you as it is an excellent method to keep the airplane hinges in place.

### New on the Radar



**Mike Melendy** – Top Flite AT-6 Texan ARF, 9 lbs., OS .91 four stroke, 71" wingspan, retracts, flaps.

### **A Tip from Steve Haas:**

Use a piece of weedwacker line into a brass tube to bend it for the fuel tank.

Top Gun

Gene Zerega won a NitroPlanes Ultimate Bipe 40.



Lee Bergstedt won a gallon of fuel.

Meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

## Meeting Place

Meeting Room #1 (MR 1)  
St. Thomas of Villanova School  
1141 East Anderson Drive  
Palatine, IL 60074

Our meetings are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday  
of each month and they  
start at 7:00 p.m.

## INSTRUCTORS

Howard Bifeld  
Dan Deitemeyer  
Ed Der  
Steve Haas

Yohay Hahamy  
Duane Lang  
Don Linder  
Shlomo Rimer

Aviv Shoal  
Bradford Walters  
Carl Will

## GROUND CREW

Matt Hauser  
Gene Zerega

## Indoor Flying

**Lake Barrington Fieldhouse – 28156 W North Pointe Parkway, Lake Barrington, IL**

For more info and directions go to <http://www.lakebarringtonfieldhouse.com/default.aspx>

Fly every Friday 11 am - 2 pm, cost is \$10. On other days if there is an open basketball court you can fly for \$5.

**Joy Of The Game, 158 S Waukegan Rd. Deerfield 60015, Phone 847-498-6646.**

Fly Tues, Wed, Thurs from 10:30 am until 3:30 pm. Cost - \$10 flat fee. Website: [www.joyofthegame.com](http://www.joyofthegame.com)

This was coordinated by Hobbytown USA in Northbrook. They are right across the street.

**District 214 Forest View Ed Ctr Fieldhouse Flying, 2121 S Goebbert Rd, Arlington Hts.**

Course #9264 – Mondays 2:30 pm until 5:30 pm. Starts Monday Sept 13. 10 sessions \$45.

First time flyers contact Don Hooghkirk at [dhooqh@flash.net](mailto:dhooqh@flash.net) before registering. [www.ce214.org](http://www.ce214.org)



## Swap Shops

Jan 2, 2011 - Milwaukee R/C Assoc. 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Auction and Swap Shop, Waukesha, WI 9 am-3 pm.

Feb 5, 2011 – Tri-Village RC'ers Swap Shop, DuPage Cty. Fairgrounds, Wheaton, IL 9 am

Mar 5, 2011 Rock Valley R/C Flyers Swap Shop & Auction, Rockford, IL 8 am

## St Thomas of Villanova Food Closet

Please remember that each month the Blue Max RC Flying Club will be bringing non-perishable food items to assist in providing food to some of the local families. There will be boxes in the meeting room for collection. The following items have been suggested as the type of food items they would like to receive: Breakfast Cereal, Canned Meat (small ham, beef, etc), Canned Vegetables, Canned Spaghetti (spaghetti-o's, etc), Peanut Butter, Jelly/Preserves, Saltines, Macaroni and Cheese, Rice, Dry Pasta, Dry Beans, Canned Sauce, and any other canned, boxed, non-perishable foods.

## Aviation Humor from Rich Frost

Never let it be said that ground crews lack a sense of humor. Here are some actual maintenance complaints submitted by UPS pilots (marked with a P) and the solutions recorded (marked with an S) by maintenance engineers. By the way, UPS is the only major airline that has never, ever, had an accident.

P: Left inside main tire almost needs replacement.

P: IFF inoperative in OFF mode.

S: Almost replaced left inside main tire.

S: IFF is always inoperative in OFF mode.

P: Test flight OK, except auto-land very rough.

P: Aircraft handles funny. (I love this one!)

S: Auto-land not installed on this aircraft.

S: Aircraft warned to straighten up, fly right and be serious.

P: Something loose in cockpit.

P: Number 3 engine missing.

S: Something tightened in cockpit.

S: Engine found on right wing after brief search.

P: Dead bugs on windshield.

P: Target radar hums.

S: Live bugs on back-order.

S: Reprogrammed target radar with lyrics.

P: Autopilot in altitude-hold mode produces a 200-fpm descent. P: Suspected crack in windshield.

S: Cannot reproduce problem on ground.

S: Suspect you're right.

P: Evidence of leak on right main landing gear.

P: Mouse in cockpit.

S: Evidence removed.

S: Cat installed.

P: DME volume unbelievably loud.

P: Friction locks cause throttle levers to stick.

S: DME volume set to more believable level.

S: That's what friction locks are for.

P: Noise coming from under instrument panel. Sounds like a midget pounding on something with a hammer.

S: Took hammer away from the midget.

## Editors' Page



### THE ANSWER TO OCTOBER'S NAME THAT PLANE

The name of the plane is the Consolidated B-24 Liberator. Bob Wisinski was the first to answer it correctly and will receive a free raffle ticket at this month's meeting. Larry Bochenko, Dan Deitemeyer, Charlie Benedict, Bob Davit, and Jim Keehan also answered correctly. This aircraft was designed around the then-new long-span/low-drag Davis wing. The Army Air Corps was so impressed with the aircraft that it ordered 36 production examples before the prototype had flown. A French purchasing mission also committed to buying 120, these aircraft later being issued to Britain following France's capitulation in 1940. It was the British who coined the name of this aircraft. By the time production ceased in May 1945, 18,475 had been built, making it the most produced American aircraft of WWII. See picture below.



### NOVEMBER'S NAME THAT PLANE

This was the first aircraft to be designed as a radar-equipped nightfighter. Only 706 of them were ever made. Send all responses to Bradford Walters at [Bradford@thehoverzone.com](mailto:Bradford@thehoverzone.com).

**Mark your calendar!**  
**Saturday, February 5<sup>th</sup> 2011**  
**Blue Max Winter Banquet**

**Remember to renew your Blue Max membership as it expires December 31th.**

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[www.BlueMaxRC.com](http://www.BlueMaxRC.com)

(Please complete all sections)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Please Print) (Required by AMA)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ AMA #: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Required by Blue Max R/C)

City: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ (Please print clearly)

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ AOL Instant Messenger Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Family Member: \_\_\_\_\_ AMA #: \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B. \_\_\_\_\_  
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## AMA MEMBERSHIP IS A CLUB REQUIREMENT

### PLEASE RATE YOUR FLYING ABILITY:

- No Experience**
- Very Limited** (Require assistance to fly)
- Fair** (Occasionally need assistance to fly)
- Good** (Can fly alone with no problems)
- Advanced** (Can safely do aerobatics)
- Expert** (Can fly and give instruction)

The **Blue Max R/C Flying Club, Inc.** tracks member usage of radio frequencies to try and avoid overcrowding of channels. Please register the channel numbers of all **R/C aircraft radio's** you currently own:

Channel: \_\_\_\_\_ Channel: \_\_\_\_\_ Channel: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Channel: \_\_\_\_\_ Channel: \_\_\_\_\_

## DUES

<b>ANNUAL DUES: Open</b> (Age 18 – 64):	\$50.00	PAID: _____
<b>Associate</b> (non-flying)	\$40.00	PAID: _____
<b>Student</b> (Age 17 and under):	\$25.00	PAID: _____
<b>Senior</b> (Age 65 and over):	\$37.50	PAID: _____

**Make check payable to:**  
 Blue Max R/C Flying Club, Inc.

**SEND TO:**  
 Blue Max R/C Flying Club, Inc.  
 P.O. Box 7803  
 Buffalo Grove, IL 60089-7803

### ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBERS:

(Requires at least one Open Membership per family)

(Ages 13 - 17):	\$15.00	PAID: _____
(Age 12 and younger):	FREE	

**INITIATION FEE:** (One per Family/Household) \$20.00 PAID: \$20.00  
 (Covers all immediate family members under the age of 18 in household)

**TOTAL PAYMENT:** \_\_\_\_\_

Were you previously a Blue Max Member? \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Yes  
 If Yes, what was the last year of active membership? \_\_\_\_\_  
 How did you learn about this Club? \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** Membership dues cover the cost between the time of acceptance and December 31. If you join September 1 through October 31, you will pay 50% of the above dues. If you join November 1 through December 31, you will pay the full dues amount and this will cover you until Dec 31 of the following year.

**The FULL INITIATION FEE is required regardless of application date.**

We often take pictures of members and their airplanes for the newsletter and club web site. Your picture may be used in the newsletter and/or web site. Signing this application authorizes The Blue Max R/C Flying Club to use your picture or likeness in its newsletter and/or web site. All personal information such as Address, Phone Number, etc. is only available in the password protected Members Only section of the web site.

By signing this application you agree to abide by the rules, regulations and constitution of the Blue Max R/C Flying Club, Inc. and of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA).

**Applicants Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Parent or Legal Guardian for members under 18 years old)



**WANT TO SEE WHAT RC EVENTS ARE HAPPENING  
IN OUR AREA?**

**GO TO [WWW.BLUEMAXRC.COM](http://WWW.BLUEMAXRC.COM) AND CLICK ON  
"EVENTS".**

**CLICK ON AN EVENT ON THE CALENDAR AND YOU  
WILL SEE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.**

**UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS**

**From November 16th**

Hailey Matich	11/16
Lou Roberts	11/17
Paul Zeliar	11/23
James Speers	11/25
Murry Randell	11/28
Tab Battaglia	11/30

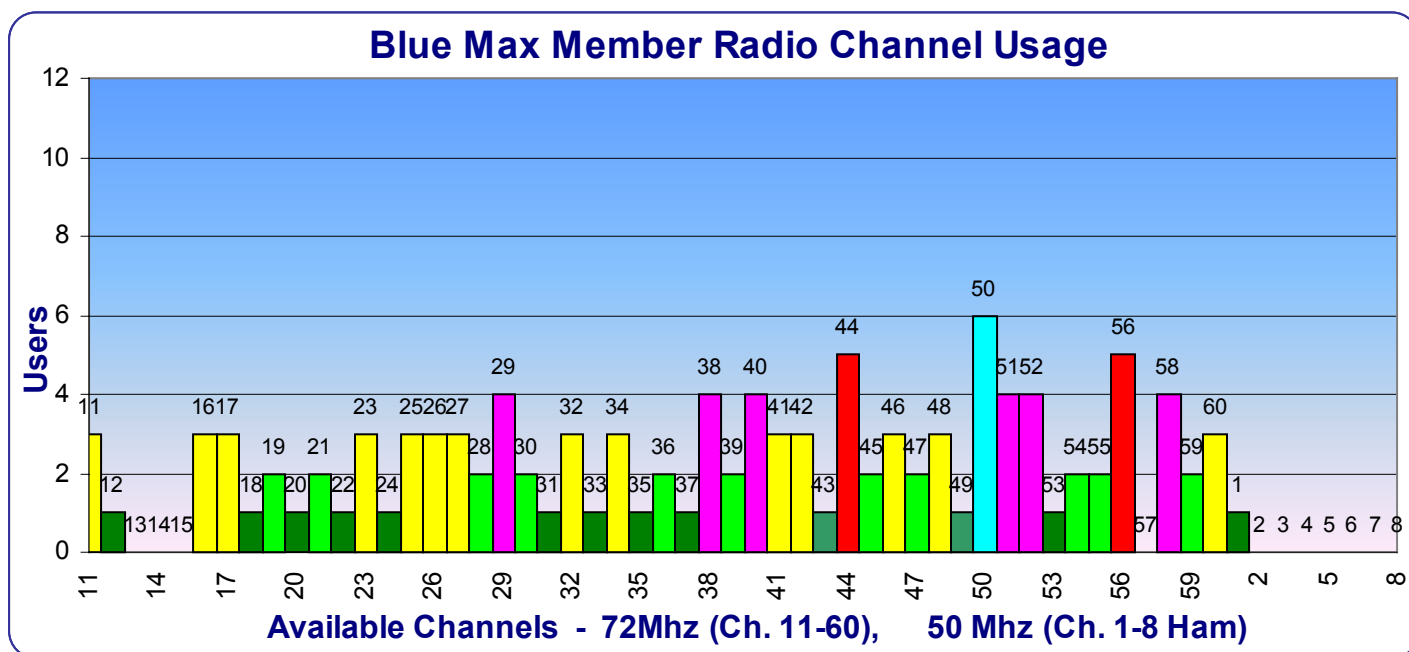
**Through December 20th**

Sam Khazivya	12/3
Don Barclay	12/10
Elvin Servellon	12/13
Greg Tomczyk	12/13
Walter Kitt	12/18

# FREQUENCY CHART

Please contact Bradford Walters at ([bradford@thehoverzone.com](mailto:bradford@thehoverzone.com)) with the following information to add or change radio channel numbers.

1. Your name.
2. All transmitter channels (example: 16, 44, 58 and 50Mhz 4).
3. Any other comments.





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

**UPCOMING EVENTS FOR  
November 2010 – January 2011**

**November 2010**

**15) Monthly Meeting – 7:00 p.m.**

**December 2010**

**20) Monthly Meeting – 7:00 p.m.**

**January 2011**

**17) Monthly Meeting – 7:00 p.m.**

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