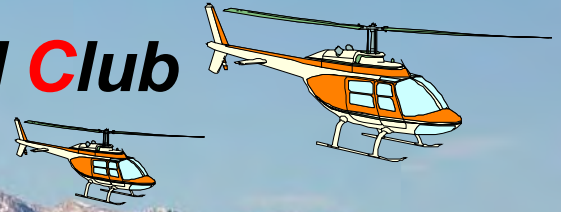


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Next PPRCC Meeting: 7:00pm / August 5th (Tue) 2014 @ Antelope Ridge Community Center	Local RC events happening this month: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PPRCC Family Day & Swap Meet Warbirds over Pueblo
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Last Month's Minutes . . . (July meeting)



Meeting Started: 7:00 pm
Meeting Adjourned: 8:05 pm
Members Attended: 25
New Members: 0
Visitors: 0

New Business:

- 1) Club President Rod Hart, spoke about the concerns of the FAA applying new rules to the AMA regulating drones, quads and general RC flying. The situation is still under review between the FAA and the AMA. We should know the final decisions in the next few months.
- 2) Club Treasurer Adam Heffington, spoke about the club's June finances. Total amounts spent & gained from the June and July club events have not come in yet.
- 3) Club Secretary Keith Davis, mentioned that he has received several emails from out-of-state visitors wishing to fly at our field sometime during the summer. Visitors are welcome and no dues are required. However, they must have a 2014 AMA card. So if you see an unfamiliar face at the airfield, be sure to welcome them!

Old Business:

- 1) Club President Rod Hart, thanked everyone that participated, volunteered and came out as spectators to the Warbirds over Pikes Peak event.
- 2) Club member Ben Woofert, informed everyone how the new flight training program was going. He stated that he, Karl and Eric have been staying busy on Sundays, showing interested flyers how to fly the Apprentice trainer.

You're Having a Bad RC Day. . .



"When the wing required six rubber bands but you only had two and you decided to go for it anyway!"

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Show & Tell

Item - I

Glen Pope's Helium II



"Glen brought in his night flyer called the Helium II. The plane is equipped with 3-foot stands of LED lights along the fuselage and the wings. The Helium II is powered by an Eflite electric motor and a 4 cell battery. Glen has already flown the plane numerous times at night."

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Name that Plane's Nickname!

By Tom McCallum and Keith Davis



Throughout aviation history, airplanes have been given nicknames from their own pilots, their friends and their foes. Some nicknames were flattering, others were not so flattering. Can you name that plane's nickname?



Lockheed SR-71 Blackbird:

- A) Black Dart
- B) Habu
- C) Speed Racer



Curtiss SB2C Helldiver:

- A) Son-of-a-Bi*ch, Second Class
- B) Too big and Too Slow
- C) Ensign Remover

Last month's answers:

- The BAE 146 was not liked by many of the pilots that flew the jet because of numerous maintenance problems such as; being under powered, oil leaks and electrical problems, Therefore it received many nicknames to include "(BAE) Bring Another Engine", "4 engines, need 6" and "Dung Beetle".
 - The German Ju-52 was constructed mostly out of aluminum. That's how it got the nickname "Iron Annie". But as the war went on and many Ju-52's were easily shot down, it was also nicknamed the "Iron Coffin".
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2014 PPRCC Electric Fly-In

By Keith Davis



Back in July, the club completed its annual Electric Fly-In with a modest turnout of pilots to include a few pilots from Pueblo and a few pilots from Denver. Even the weather was corporative, at least it was until 1:00 pm!



"Some of the electric warbirds that participated."

This was an open event, no contests, no challenges, just fly what you want, when you want, as long as it was electric powered. So we got to see an assortment of electric planes from gliders and trainers to ducted-powered jets and military planes.



"Rick lines up his speedy Habu for landing."

Pilots stayed busy all morning flying their electrics, taking pictures or talking with other pilots about their electric projects. So it turned out to be a good meeting place to learn more about the world of electric flying.



"This ASM P-61 Black Widow was awarded 1st Place Best Electric airplane."



"This German Eindecker was awarded 2nd Place Best Electric airplane."

Around 12:00 pm, the usual storm clouds began to move in and it was decided to end the event before things got worse. Pilots voted for Keith Davis' P-61 as the 1st Place Best Electric airplane and Brian Woolliam's German Eindecker as the 2nd Place Best Electric airplane. Congratulations to both of them! And thanks to all that participated. You can view the PPRCC website for more pictures.



"Joe did a fine job in building his Extra 300, powered by 12 cells of batteries."

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Show & Tell Item - II

Ben Woofter's Gee Bee Racer



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"Ben spoke about his newly acquired Cermak Gee Bee Fantasy Racer. It's a foamy Plug & Fly, 51" ws, powered by a 3-cell battery and very light-weight (53 oz). Ben has already completed several flights and he said the plane is very fast!"

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New Rules at Cherry Creek By Keith Davis



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"New flying rules posted at Cherry Creek Park."

If you haven't been to the Cherry Creek or Chatfield flying fields yet this year, be advised there are a few new rules effective May 2014:

- Both clubs now require you to have a current AMA card to fly at either of the fields.
- No consumption of tobacco, alcoholic beverages or marijuana allowed in the pit area or on the flight line.
- Cherry Creek Park now charges an additional one-time \$3.00 fee per vehicle to enter the park. The park will issue you an additional reservoir fee sticker for your windshield. The fee is for Civil Engineer water reservoir maintenance. However if you have a Disabled Vet (DV) license plate, that fee is waived.

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Do you have a story, article or a photo that you would like to share with the club? Get it to me at:

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Keith Davis - Newsletter Editor

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2014 PPRCC Scale Fly-In

By Keith Davis



One week after the PPRCC Electric Fun-Fly, it was time for the PPRCC Scale Fun-Fly. It could have been a better turnout but despite that, everyone that did participate had a good time.

The event kicked off around 9:00 am with a welcome to all pilots followed by a pilot's brief. After that, the flightline was open and it was time to fly.



"Several of the spectators and pilots took advantage of the limited shade when the sun really got warm!"

Pilots flew throughout the morning as curious passing drivers dropped in to see what was going on. They were quite impressed of the speed of the planes and jets as they flew over the runway. Several of the spectators did not realize that there was an airfield nearby until a RC jet had just flew over them!



"Kevin's F-15 Eagle begins a climb as it finishes a high-speed pass down the runway."



"This Top Flite P-47 Thunderbolt was awarded Best Scale Military airplane."



"This Balsa USA kit Citabria Pro was awarded Best Scale Civilian airplane."

Around 12:00pm it was time to wind things down and give out the two awards. Not because of incoming storms, but because it was getting hot and everyone was ready for lunch! Tom McCallum was awarded Best Scale Civilian airplane with his Citabria Pro and James Murphy was awarded Best Scale Military airplane with his P-47 Thunderbolt. Congratulations to both of them!

Even though the event was now over, several pilots stuck around to take advantage of the good weather and continued flying.

A great thanks to all the pilots that participated and to the visitors that stopped in. Plenty more pictures of the event can be viewed on the PPRCC website.

Pikes Peak RC Hobbies



Upcoming RC Events:

- **Aug 5th (Tue) 2014 - PPRCC Meeting**
- Aug 17th (Sun) 2014 - PPRCC Family Day & Swap Meet
- Aug 30th & 31st (Sat & Sun) 2014 - Warbirds over Pueblo
- **Sep 2nd (Tue) 2014 - PPRCC Meeting**
- Sep 12th/13th/14th (Fri/Sat/Sun) 2014 - Warbirds over the Rockies
- **Oct 7th (Tue) 2014 - PPRCC Meeting**

