



# Sky Writer

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## President's Message

Hello all,  
 WOW, what a week. This weekend we had 2-float flies. (*OK – so he wrote this on time... I'm the one that's late! Ed.*) Seven Lakes and Bald Mountain. Thanks to Ross Jones for putting on the Bald Mountain Float fly. Again a good time. The weather was good both days, but it was exceptional Saturday morning. Saturday morning with Chet Brady at Seven Lakes. Chet was there again as he has been for the last ten years. Usually windy but not this year, at least not until later. I was wondering if Chet was going to make it this year, as he has not in perfect health. He did make it, but due to his health he told me this was his last year to run the float fly. Thanks Chet for all the years of dedication, and for making the float fly fun. I didn't get to hear "SHOWTIME" this year. Maybe I can make it to Stoney Creek to hear it.

After the Bald Mountain float fly I had the honor, as Skymasters President, along with Gary Walling, of attending an Eagle Scout ceremony. Raymond Dezure, (Bill's Son), and Brad Buda, were presented with the Eagle Scout Rank. It was quite impressive to see some of the hard work and

dedication it took to make Eagle. Only 2% of scouts earn the rank of Eagle and this award it not given without much hard work. Raymond Dezure certainly earned it. I can appreciate a young man who is not afraid to show love for his Mother, Father and God, and not be embarrassed to share his faith in front of a crowd of friends, family, and a few strangers. Congratulations on earning the precious Eagle award, and thank you from the Skymasters for always being willing to help out. (Good food from the swap shop kitchen too).

Wednesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> was the fieldwork party. The day crew had the cement blocks moved before I arrived, and the dirt pile was gone also. I am sure you will hear more about that in this newsletter so I won't say a lot, but I would like to thank all who helped out. I saw Bob Burns cleaning out the out-house, (now that's dedication), and several other Skymasters made some real improvements. We improved safety at the field with an extension to the fence, and made the tables moveable to help the grass grow to cut down on the mud. Thanks to Mark Smith for the new pilot stations, they are great! IF you don't like the amount of space for the gate you can

blame me. I set the postholes in a way so we can get through but to protect the spectator area from any stray airplanes. (If we ever have any). We also took a look at an area at the West end of the field for helicopters to hover. We will put up a temporary area to see how it will work. (If approved by the DNR) Well flying season will be in full swing soon, (if the rain stops); I'll see you out there enjoying the field and friends.

Until then, keep it in the air and in front of the flight line.

Ross



*President Ross Hardy at the Bald Mountain Float Fly*

## 2001 Club Officers

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# Skymasters Events

*Wednesday, June 20 - 6:00 PM  
and every Wednesday till Labor Day  
Student Night—Scripps Road Field*

'Night' may be a misnomer as folks are known to be out there at 10am if the weathers good. Even if the weathers bad, we still eat at 6pm – hence the saying “we always eat, we sometimes fly.”

*Saturday, July 7 - 12:00 Noon  
Skymasters Meeting –Scripps Road Field*  
Summer meetings are short – bring a plane and come fly!

*Sunday, July 8 - 10:00 AM  
Team Fun Fly –Scripps Road Field*  
Categories to allow everyone to participate – from beginner to expert! Need a teammate – we'll find one for you...  
Contact Mark Smith for more information.

*Sunday, July 22 - 10:00 AM  
Warbirds and Scale –Scripps Road Field*  
Any scale plane – normally a wide range including warbirds and civilian models.

*Sunday, July 28 - 10:00 AM  
Harold “Big H” Maseles 4 Stroke and Majestic Flyers –  
Scripps Road Field*  
Any plane powered by a 4-stroke engine—any type of aircraft.

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Wednesdays throughout the summer are designated as 'Student Night'. It is a day of flying – weather permitting – and eating regardless of weather. Some more details:

**Flying:** Students have priority for flying. Other pilots may fly if pads are free – but please be aware of students that may be waiting. Flying starts as early as 10AM with the day shift - weather permitting. Flying goes till 8PM – with the second shift joining in when we get out of work... We always have instructors at the field to help out – and many others helping with plane inspections and making sure planes are ready to fly. It can be busy – you may not get as many flights as you might other days, but it is a great way to meet instructors and make arrangements for other days.

**Eating:** Regardless of weather, we eat at about 6PM. Dinner is provided by the participants – it is not funded by the club... Here is what we ask of you if you are going to participate in our potluck dinners:

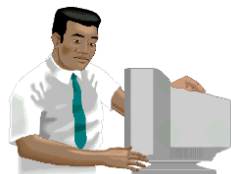
- Bring enough meat (or other) for the grill for at least you and your family.
- Bring a dish to pass – enough for others to share. Don't have time? Many supermarkets have ready-to-eat items... Salads, fruit, rice dishes, potato dishes are all good ideas. We usually have a good supply of desserts. **Note: We have a several week supply of Hot Dogs and various Chips – please bring other items...**
- As an alternative to a dish to pass – we also post a list of staple items needed on a board near the grill... If you see an item listed you would like to bring, turn it over on the board – and bring that next week instead of a dish to pass...
- Bring your own (non-alcoholic) beverage.

The more variety people bring, the better the selection for dinner. Thanks to all participants!

## From

Welcome to the June 2001 issue of Skywriter! In between the raindrops we have gotten some fling in this year... This issue is running much later than usual – been a little too busy this month.

Our event season is rolling on – By the time you read this, the Electric Fly has been held. What



a day we had!! Look for a report next month. July has three events

coming. Look for details inside. Hopefully you can join us for our student nights and pot luck dinners. See more information above.

Please send me any input you may have for the newsletter. I'll include as many as I can. Note items must be received by the 20th for inclusion in the next issue. Please send via email to [GMCardillo@att.net](mailto:GMCardillo@att.net), or by mail to my address on back cover...

## Che

Many of you know Chet Brady... He is a founding member and past President of Skymasters. He has helped obtain multiple flying sites for Skymasters and other clubs in the area... More recently, ran our Mammoth Fly In, our Float Flying at both Seven Lakes and Stoney Creek Metropark. Chet's health is failing – his cancer has returned.

A tribute to honor Chet will be held on Saturday, July 14 from 1-3pm at the Best Western on West side of Gratiot just south of M-59. Please join us to say thank you to Chet for all he has done. Contact Joe Hass at 248-601-1541 for more information.

## Kid's Day

*Gary Weaks*

One of our better-attended events was dampened this year by a breeze-blown morning drizzle. However the hardy sprits of the Skymasters were no match for Mother Nature, we were ready with instructors, training planes, cooks, and registration helpers. The grounds looked great thanks to the spring spruce-up. Shortly after 10:00 AM the rain tapered off and our first "customers" arrived. We had a slow trickle of 33 kids throughout the day who got to fly an R/C trainer from a buddy box. Add to that several parents and other "older" kids plus many who wanted a second turn so our instructors were kept pretty busy. Meanwhile, the kitchen cooked up over a hundred sandwiches. Each youngster who registered to fly a trainer plane was given a free lunch, a picture certificate, a foam airplane to take home and a raffle ticket for one of two airplane kites. The kites were won by Jeff Vail and

Carol King. At noon there were demonstration flights performed by Greg Cardillo flying his Giles 202, Paul Goelz flying a Raptor helicopter, and Ross Hardy flying a fun-fly ship. Kids day activities were closed at 2:00 PM with the final kite drawing.

Thanks to everyone who pitched in for this event. The youngsters (and oldsters) were having a great time. Even with the rain it was a successful event. I know that we are going to see many of those folks again and some will even decide to take up the hobby because of what they saw today, a safe, fun, family pastime.

*(Thanks to Gary for coordinating this important event and everyone that came out to help. Pictures not available yet— Look for them next month... Ed.)*

## Seven Lakes Spring Float Fly

In five years of attendance and four years of running this event, the weather and number of pilots was at an all time high. A slight wind from the East and mostly sunny skies made for a fun event. Most float planes were of .40 to .60 class and of the usual varying types of construction. 30 pilots were registered this year.

Wade Wiley once again saved the day with the collapsible boat. (I helped him put this thing on his van, and I'm telling you – you've got to get one of these!!!). Wade or the boat made several retrievals at the event, with most being uneventful, but two being of heavily damaged aircraft from unexplained circumstances. Oddly enough, defying predictions otherwise, no-one hit one of those 400 series stainless steel swim buoys at this event.

"Most folk were so busy flying or watching that they only

wanted hamburgers this year, unlike last," according to Jamie Wegryn-Jones, concession coordinator. Lots of hotdogs and brats were left uncooked to be used in the following week at the cleanup day. Traffic was overall pretty good there at the concession stand.

Carolynn Foss won the grand prize in the raffle, which again this year was a Sig Somethin' Extra. Most other pilots won gift certificates we had from Joe's hobby, Rider's Hobby and Prop Shop Hobby.

Thanks to Greg Cardillo for support as always at this event and again to Wade Wylie with the boat. Thanks Jamie for running Concessions...



*Bill Leppard's Cub on an landing.. Bob Burn's Falcon taxiing in after a successful flight.*

# Meeting Minutes

**Date:** April 25, 2001

**Location:** Larson Middle School

**Introductions:**

President	Ross Hardy
Vice President	Mark Smith
Treasurer	Bob
Donohue	
Secretary	Gary Weaks
Newsletter	Greg
Cardillo	

**First and Second Time Visitors:**

Steve Lane  
Tim Riley  
John Rhyndress

**Reports:**

Thanks to those who showed up for Bald Mountain Involvement Day. The DNR was very pleased 4 jobs mostly completed, in spite of the rainy weather.

**Upcoming Meetings and Events:**

Db Meter calibration next meeting

Now – End of April - Fuel Buy – Greg Cardillo and Al McGee, Morgan fuels. 10% cool power. Al fills all bottles the same day. Price for bulk 10\$/gallon (others also available) Sign up sheets at meetings. End of April is deadline.

May 9th – Heat Shrink covering Techniques – G. Weaks and Members. Last Larson School meeting of season.

May 19<sup>th</sup> – Seven Lakes Float Fly. – Chet Brady

May 20th - Bald Mountain Float Fly. – Ross Jones

May 23rd - Field Work Party: All slabs are to be removed. New pilot barricades – PVC pipe. Also tables will be removable. Fill in low spots with soil and seed and encourage grass to grow.

June 3<sup>rd</sup> – Kids' Day - Need instructors

and training type airplanes.

**Presentation:**

Bill Leppard – Indoor rubber power.

With indoor rubber power, duration is the sought-after quality that the builder/pilots try to maximize. Where store bought balsa planes may only fly for a few seconds, the high-quality designs that Bill showcased have the potential for flights well over 20 minutes. Records for some designs are over an hour! Bill showed and flew examples of each class of plane. Everyone was amazed at how slow and graceful each of the plane flew!

Bill has been involved for a couple years now and competes in one of several AMA classes for indoor rubber power. Indoor kit costs are considerably less than R/C. Some kits sell for \$10 and produce a plane that weighs only a couple grams. All classes require that the material of construction is wood.

Bill first demonstrated a Penny Plane. Penny plans are a good place to start in this segment of the hobby. A Penny Plane plus propeller must weigh less than 3.1 grams. Record flights are 16 minutes. Dimensions are restricted for the AMA class. It is constructed from 1/16<sup>th</sup> balsa, 1/16<sup>th</sup> or 1/32<sup>nd</sup> for ribs. 1/8 by 1/4 for motor stick.

Covering must be a commercially available film such as Polymicro – (Mylar) a really thin version of monocoat, but 1/70<sup>th</sup> the weight of monocoat or 1/10 the thickness of Ceran wrap. Only covered on the top. The speeds are too slow to get enough aerodynamic advantage from covering the bottom of the wings. Ultra film is available at 0.9 microns thick. The covering is applied with 3M 77 adhesive. Cut off sheet ball up to get it well wrinkled. Build a holding frame first. Tape film to frame, then bring the covering into contact with the pre-glued wing and it is covered.

Only one side is covered. Airfoil is simply an arc – 3 or 5%. Left wing is longer – Not centered because of prop torque and left-hand turn. Wing is well above the fuselage – this is so that the stabilizer is not effected by the dirty air off of the wing. Rubber motor is .04 thick cut down to desired width. Rubber motors are wound up using a torque meter. Props are high pitch – 2.2 pitch to diameter ratio. Wood is expensive because of the strength to weight ratio selected for this type of plane.

Flying sites are divided into categories (1, 2, or 3) – determined by height of ceiling.

Next class – mini sticks. Min weight is 0.42 grams, 7 inch span, 2.5 inch cord. Stabilizer is 50% of wing area. 7 inch prop. Tail boom is bent off to the left. All have airfoils – they are lifting surfaces. Center of lift is different from R/C, 70-80% of cord. Stabilizer is actually tilted to the right – again to help the turn. Prop, wings, and tail all turn the same direction (Left). Wing should not effect lift of stab. Incidence can be set because wings are removable and adjustable. Wing positive, stab negative. Rudders are mostly located on the underside; this is to facilitate the covering of the rudder without adding more weight of additional wood.

Next class – easy B's. 18 inch wing span. Stick fuselage. International class (FAI) and AMA class. Regulations are different. No length limit. CG is well behind the wing as a result of the long fuselage. 1.4 grams limit. (AMA has no weight limit) 500mg for a competitive ship. Records are 21 minutes. For easy B's

Propellers – all made of wood. C-grade balsa. Helical pitch in prop. Warp is achieved by wetting and wrapping around a form, then bake in oven. Now must be set in hub at the correct angle. Thickness 1/32 to .025 some-

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times sanded to the right thickness. 6 to 8 thousands thickness. Overall record is 62 minutes.

May 6<sup>th</sup> – Cloud Buster’s Meet. Penny planes, mini sticks,

No-cal is another class using sort-of scale looks. `

**New Business:**

**Show and Tell:**

Chris Hass, Chubby lady, electric park flier. Little hornet, 11.4 oz, 29 span. Park flier.

Bob Burns – SeaMaster, 40 ARF by Ace, this will be one of the Float-Fly super prizes built by the retirees group.

Herman Greif – Dornier 335 Push-pull twin engine German WWII fighter-bomber. 56” wing. Currently under construction. Spring Air retracts.

Wade Wiley – PBN G&P models Catalina (under construction). 2 OS 70 four strokes 104” wingspan.

*Motion to adjourn and second*

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**Presentation:**

Gary Weaks and club members – Heat Shrink Covering

Gary and other members of the club shared their expertise and experiences along with demonstrations of various techniques used to apply heat-shrink covering. Gary started with an explanation of the basic covering material and the science behind it. Afterwards, a wing was partially covered as a demonstration. Techniques and tools for making and applying graphics were also covered.

**New Members Voted In:**

Ronald Holley  
 James Falzon  
 Robert Gillespie  
 David Wendt  
 John McKeon  
 Daniel Gure  
 James Allen  
 Mark Austin  
 Garry Bowman  
 Robert Bowman

Pat Costello  
 Dave Ditner  
 Steig Ingvarson  
 Joseph Miller  
 David Palchek  
 Tim Riley  
 Anthony Rohala  
 Daniel Schulz  
 Alan Toomey  
 Ron Wehner  
 Ted Wittlesey  
 Shawn Wyant

**Show and Tell:**

Joe Rubinstein – Acronat, O.S. .25 Engine

Dick Freiwald – Sig Something Extra, Super Tigre .45 for power.

Joe Hass – Cermark 60” Pitts ARF, Saito 150 for power. Herring Aquastar with speed 400 electric for power, and a Hobby Lobby electric Spitfire.

Tim Reetz – Cricket (Mud Duck)

Bob Burns – Ryan STA ARF (The Fall Float Fly super raffle prize), O.S. 91 surpass for power

Rich – Hanger 9 Easy Fly.

*Motion to adjourn and second*

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*The fuel order has been placed.*

*Watch your email for a note when it arrives! Thanks to Al McGee for placing our order once again...*

# Skymaster's Events



## Skymasters R/C Club

Skymasters Radio Control Club annual club event

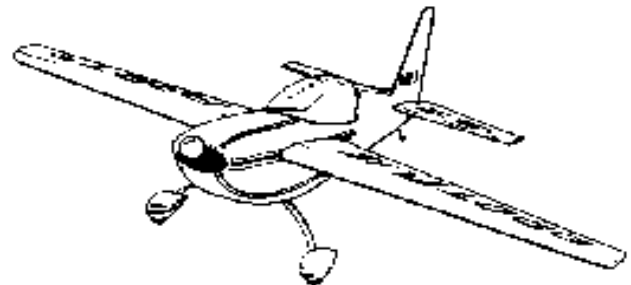
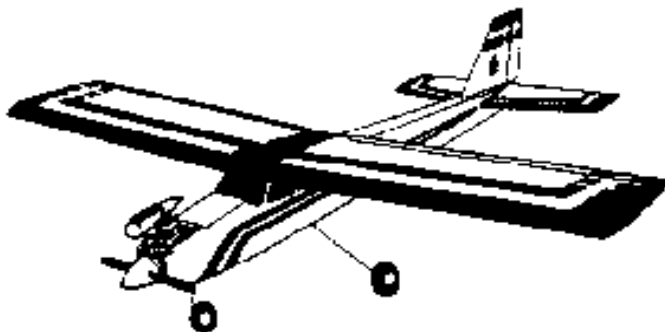
### Team Fun Fly

Sunday July 8, 2001

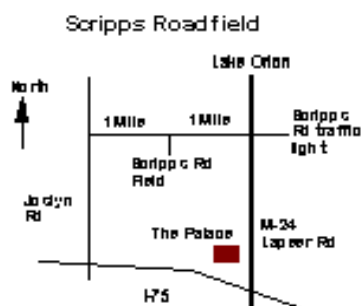
at the Scripps Road field (see map).

Event flying starts at 10AM.

Categories from Beginner to Expert  
Special "Slow Poke" one design class



Noise limit - 94Db at ten feet - no exceptions.



- \* Lots of parking.
- \* Refreshments available at events.
- \* Great chance for the public to see this exciting hobby in action.
- \* Toilet located at field.

The Scripps Road flying field is located within the Bald Mountain State Park about five miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills. All cars need either an annual or day Park permit which is available at the event.

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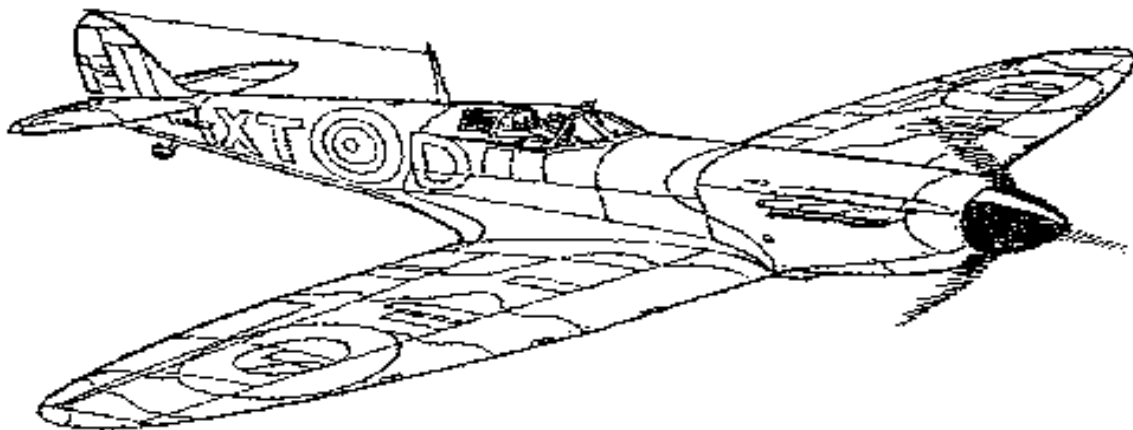


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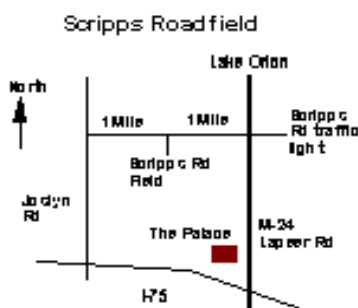
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### Warbirds and Scale Aircraft Sunday July 22, 2001 at the Scripps Road field (see map).

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# Other Area Events

# WINGS OVER WHITE LAKE

P.M.A.C. 7TH ANNUAL GIANT SCALE

*June 23, 24*



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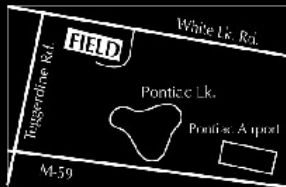


*A Great Family Event*



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Giant Model Aircraft fill the sky at the Pontiac Miniature Aircraft Club's White Lk. Field\*



- General info**
- Spectators Welcome
  - State Park Sticker Required (available on site)
  - Lunch Break at noon
  - Flying 10:00 am-6:00 pm
  - Serving up ~ Food and Fun
  - P.A. Announcer

- Pilot Info**
- Sign up and inspections start at 9:00 am
  - Reserved Pilot Parking
  - AMA Membership required
  - Free Lunches for Pilots
  - 102 db Max (AMA Test Method)

- Safety Inspection Required
- Mono Wing 80", Bip 60" or true 1/4 Scale and up
- All frequencies are OK

**For Questions call  
Frank Vella  
(248) 627-0060**

\*White Lk. Field is located within the Pontiac Lake Recreation Area, in Oakland County.

## 2001 Joe Nall Fly In

This year marked the 19<sup>th</sup> installment of what has become one of R/C's largest events, the Joe Nall giant scale fly-in. Held each year in Greenville, South Carolina, it out-grew its original location last year. The new site which includes a lake for float-flying, attracted four Skymasters to make the spring pilgrimage for 2001. Darrell Watts, Jim Held, Steve Fredericks, and Gary Weeks loaded up seven giant-scale float-planes (which filled a 20 foot snowmobile trailer) and headed south. We arrived and set-up camp for our three days of R/C overdose! The weather was wonderful for mid May, sunny and 90 each day. There were over 500 pilots registered. Many camped right at the flying site (a private airport owned by event founder Pat Hartness). Flying was allowed from sun-up to sun-down and even spilled over into the night with a few pilots lighting up the night sky with illuminated models. The pit area was huge, by our estimates it was a third of a mile long, filled with airplanes. Most models fell into the 3-D category (Giles, Caps, Lasers, etc.) with other giant scale planes making up the balance. Seven pilot blocks were busy most of each day but it was possible to get a pin and a flight, you just needed some patience. Although

the float-planes were in the minority (about 25 in number compared to an estimated 1200 conventional planes) we did attract a lot of attention. Many pilots stopped by the Skymasters' tent to find out how to fly from the water. Some we met may even show up at our Midwest Regional Float Fly. We were a hit with Vince Pettke's monocoat jobs on the Cessnas, Steve's rare Maul Rocket, and Gary's folding wing biplanes. Except for a few mishaps, the event was accident free for the most part with most pilots returning with what they brought. At noon each day the R/C action was held for a full-scale airshow which included a pair of better-than-new AT-6s and a state-of-the-art Cap 232 bearing the logos of JR, Hanger 9, Zenoah, and Carden Aircraft flown by aerobatic champion Matt Chapman. Most big-name vendors were also there prompting some to describe this event as an out-door Toledo show. The socializing and camaraderie was capped off with a Saturday night Bar-B-Q at the home of Pat Hartness. Although it is a long way from Michigan, the Joe Nall event was definitely worth every mile!



## Other Area Events

### Jun

1-2-3	Whirlybirds	Heli meet, FAI-Class 1-2-3, Scl,Free	At Grosse Isle	Roy Dietz	313 839-4143
2-3	RCCD	R/C Scale combat	Warbirds Over Lenox"	Dave Wagensomer	313 881-9967
2-3	Weak Signals	Q-500 Pylon-428	Std & Exp	Phil Smith	734 429-4707
2-3	Pontiac MAC	IMAC Meet	Big Birds Over White Lake"	Don Hines	248 681-2752
15-16-17	Bellville Strawberry Festival	Air Show & Static Display	Bellville, MI		
16	Weak Signals	Sailplane	MSL Meet	Phil Smith	734 429-4707
23-24	Pontiac MAC	Giant Scale Fly-In	80 inch monoplane, 60 inch bipes	Frank Vella	248 627-8060
30-Jul 1	RCCD	Big Bird	IMAA Meet	Rich Vukmirovich	810 468-1360
30-Jul 1	Signal Seekers	Precision Aerobatics		Bob Kane	734 281-8514

### July

7-8	UFO	12th Annual Giant Scale	Flight Of Giants"	Larry Dalrymple	734 722-2489
7	AA Falcons / EFO	Mid-America Electric Fly		Ken Myers	248 669-8124
8	AA Falcons / EFO	Mid-America Electric Fly		Keith Shaw	734 973-6309
15	Chesaning R/C	Heli Fun Fly		Michael Freeman	517 871-2673
15	RCCD	10th Great Lakes Scale Classic	Scale	Bob Chapman	248 524-0092
27-28-29	Michigan Jets	Jet meet	Grosse Ile		
28-29	Ribcrackers	Open Air Show	Lang Field	Greg Bessette	810 229-9732

*Below—the Skymasters contingent present at the Joe Nall 2001 Fly In.*

*Right—Gart Weaks and a Cap... Don't think this one will fit in your Suburban Gary!*

*Photos provided by Gary Weaks*





# SKYMASTERS RADIO CONTROL CLUB OF MICHIGAN

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### Upcoming Events:

June 20—Student Night  
(every Wed till Labor Day!)

July 7—Meeting—Scripps Road Field  
July 8—Fun Fly  
July 22—Warbirds & Scale  
July 28—Four Stroke

## Skymasters Information

Skymasters field is located within the Bald Mountain State Park on Scripps Road (see map). State Park Permits are required and can be obtained from the Park Headquarters located on Greenshield Road or at club events. Flying is permitted from 10 AM to 8 PM. The noise limit for 2001 is 94 dBA at 10 feet—this noise rule is strictly enforced,

Wednesday evenings during the summer is Student Night and there are usually instructors around all afternoon. Student night is also 'pot luck' buffet night so that

you can fly-n-feed (though not usually at the same time). Students are encouraged on other days and weekends as well. It is a great idea to come on Wednesday, meet the Instructors and arrange for more instruction time together. Our Chief Flight Instructor is Greg Brausa (248) 373-8949.

From June to August, Club meetings are held at the field on the first Saturday of the month at 12 Noon—a great chance to fly and

gossip too! Winter meetings—September to May—are held at Larson Middle School (on Long Lake just east of John R—see map) on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:30 PM. Show and Tell, coffee and donuts, and model-speak are the order of the evening. Come along—they are fun,

The Skywriter newsletter is sent to all members, local hobby shops, and other R/C clubs in the area and around the country. Any and all contributions are welcome. Please pass any articles to the Editor. If you know of anyone who may be interested in our hobby (friend, relative, neighbor, colleague or acquaintance), please give them a copy of this newsletter or a copy of an AMA magazine. It may spark their interest and get them into our hobby!

