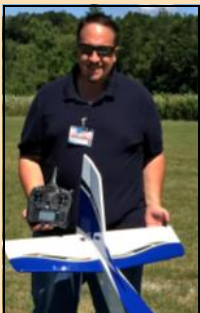


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From the President...



Indoor Flying Begins This Month

Indoor flying begins this month on the 24th. Registration is open and we have the same great prices for the best indoor flying anywhere. Join Skymasters as well as many other clubs and pilots from all over the area and beyond for some of the best indoor flying around. Thanks for all those who have been a part of our world class Skymasters Indoor Flying at Ultimate Soccer Arenas in Auburn Hills for nearly the past decade. We welcome all those who will be flying for the first time too! Go to ["register me for the best indoor flying"](#) and sign up now.

Midwest Regional Float Fly Discovery Follow Up

Last month we held the 27th annual Skymasters Midwest Regional Darrell Watts Memorial Float Fly. It was a "perfect storm" of weather and planning and everything came together for a perfect two days of great float flying. I hope

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you'll also check out this month's "**Some Assembly Required**" column by Steve Kretschmer (page 5 of this issue). If you've not kept up with these world class articles in our monthly publication you need to do so. Our club newsletter has had some of the best articles/writers over the years and Steve is one of them. I am/we are honored to have him contribute each month to our Skywriter. Anyway, check out this edition about the build and then him flying a **control line float plane** - a unique and great accomplishment that was a huge hit at this year's MWRFF. Thanks Steve!

Skymasters EOC and concerned parties held a Post Event Discovery Meeting to brainstorm ways to modify the event to keep it going... bottom line is that we are going to have to make some major infrastructure changes to the event and other yet to be announced changes. Dave Wendt, [past club president and meeting facilitator] will be developing a game plan and informing us all what will happen for the 2018 MWRFF. We look forward to the announcement of what that news will be. Thanks to all those who have been a part of the incredible event that has been a trademark event of Skymasters for 27 years

Fun Fly Carnage Fun

Last weekend our club held it's fifth annual (in a row anyway) Fun Fly. It was a complete riot as our event director Johnny "Tornado" Billinger seemingly ordered the events from the most dangerous to the least... and the carnage ensued! I did not crash my LT-40 and was quite amazed I was able to complete the limbo as well as I did, but would have laughed as much as any of those who sacrificed their aircraft at the expense of our entertainment. We were expecting maybe 4 or 5 teams and ended up with 9, that's 18 pilots and a great crowd of spectators, Skymasters and visitors alike. By the end of the event I think we were down to sharing several planes just to complete some of the events. I think everyone had a great time, I know I did and the laughs were great! I hope we keep this great event up.

CLUB MEETINGS! - TAKE NOTE

Ok, this month we resume regular club meetings, on 2nd and 4th Thursdays... BUT our 2nd Thursday is at the flying field and the 4th Thursday begins our meetings at the Orion Center for the fall and winter... Please pass the word on to other members and let each other know. Again... October 12th is at the field 6:45 p.m. and October 26th is at the Orion Center at 6:45 p.m. We will always have show and tell at each club meeting!

Upcoming Club Elections!

In November, we only have one club meeting at the Orion Center which will be on Thursday November 9th. **THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT MEETING FOR CLUB ELECTIONS AND OUR CLUB FINANCIAL REPORT.**

Time to nominate anyone or yourself for club officer or at-large positions. Here is what I and/or the EOC is recommending for our 7 - Elected Officer Positions for your votes:

President: _____ Bob Chapdelaine
Vice President: _____ John Billinger
Secretary: _____ Phil Saunders
Treasurer: _____ Jim Satawa
At-Large: _____ Pete Foss
At-Large: _____ Jon Grigsby
At-Large: _____ Paul Goelz
At-Large: _____ John Larock

I am excited to announce that we have a very healthy roster of nominees. Note: there are 3 "at-large" elected positions and we have 4 people running so please consider your candidate.

ALSO: please consider if you would like to NOMINATE someone or yourself for any of those positions listed above!

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Front Cover

Bill Brown jr. & Bill Brown sr. with their antic at the 2017 Midwest Regional Float Fly. The kit was built by Bill Brown sr.

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You are welcome to do so. You can let me know that now, or you can show up on election night and make your intentions known.

Exciting Announcements for 2018

Just to let you know what to expect if I am re-elected as president for 2018 for my fourth term. We are working on some exciting things for our club.

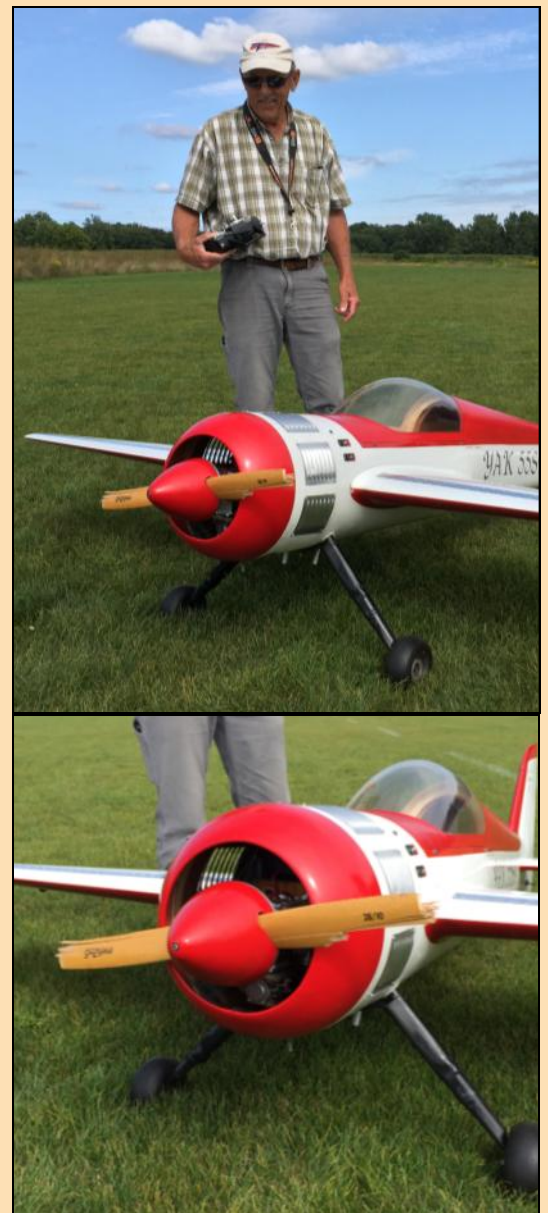
One thing that I can now announce is that we are hoping to expand the heli field further into the farmers field (where he did not plant corn) and develop about a 200 by 200-foot area of mowed grass for control line flying and to encourage more FPV (drone), multi rotor and quad usage. We have the permission from the farmer and the OK of the park manager to use this area for now with no modification to our current lease with the state. Another item that we will be looking at and probably be bringing before the membership soon is the possibility of a "fabric" or "textile" runway. Another item that we will be considering and determining is if we need to raise our membership dues for our members as I understand that our dues have not been raised in nearly a decade. Regarding this I understand that "I" will have to explain "why" and defend that reason well. I do know that over the past four years and since I've been involved with the leadership of our club I have watched just our typical fixed expenses of running the club and maintaining what we do rise, just like they do for us at home. So, whether we raise dues now or in the future it is a conversation we need to start having now so it can be a healthy and informed discussion. When I look at all that our club offers for \$70 per year, I think what a value... but, I also understand the other side of that... so I appreciate your patience and support of my position and always trying to do what is best for this club and its membership! I also hope that in 2018 we can look at all the events we hold and maybe make some adjustments to them and look at what is best for our membership and focus more on flying and less on the wear and tear on some of our core members who work so hard and just fly more! Onward and upward! I hope 2018 is a year of positive changes and great growth for our club (not necessarily in numbers, although we have had some amazing new membership enrollment too, in 2017). I want to warmly welcome all our new Skymasters and I hope you are finding a warm and friendly home in our club. If not, let me know...

Power Line Club New Inductees!

Oh yes, I must welcome two STUDENTS and Pilot to our **HIGH WIRE CLUB**... an amazing feat... Tom Guerin and Bob Heller, both joined our power line club, by hitting the power lines (with their instructors on the buddy box I may add, oh maybe not, ha-ha!) I was going to recommend their instructors for remediation to the chief but they may have been flying with our two most experienced and beloved instructors ha-ha! Hilarious. I know Tom got his punch card and one punch on his club card. Also, experienced pilot Jim McEntire (*see photo, right*) joined the club with his composite YAK, and turned his 28-inch wood prop into a much shorter prop and flew it back to the field... it was amazing to watch and I know he still needs his punch card, (Ken). I think someone also awarded him new pair of shorts too. Congratulations guys for joining a very distinguished group of Skymasters members! Hat's off! Ha-ha!

Upcoming Survey - You are Skymasters!

Lastly, considering all my above thoughts, I do appreciate your feedback. Often, I like the dialogue I get back. Confrontation...not so much! So, for feedback you will very shortly be receiving a very short survey put together by a very awesome Skymaster, Ryan Ensminger that can allow you to give your opinion on how things are going for your flying club. You are



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the most important part of Skymasters. I/we (the EOC-executive operating committee... makes us sound important, but, it's just John Billinger, Pete Foss, Jim Satawa, Paul Goelz, Phil Saunders, and Jon Grigsby and I... guys just like you, doing our best to be good stewards of our club who like to fly but often sacrifice to tend to the business of the club) appreciate your input and with this survey we can document your input. The last survey of the club was done in 1997 by then president Greg Cardillo. I will be curious to compare the answers now to some of the answers from then.

The EOC will be meeting Monday October 9th at 6:45 p.m. and will be having as part of their agenda some of the items I've shared with you above.

We've had some glorious flying days recently, I hope they continue in October. Also, we are hoping to have a **fall field prep party and night fly bonfire this month - yet to be announced** - I will keep you informed when we decide...

Oh yeah one last thing... get out and fly and [register for indoor flying today!](#) **And congratulations to Scott and Kathy (Taylor) recently married!**

Its another beautiful day at Skymasters!



Bob Chapdelaine
President, Skymasters RC

Now some practical things at the field

- Always sign in upon arrival – requirement of our lease with state!
- Always wear membership card visible, (especially when flying or in pit area) preferable on shirt or cap – visible so others can see your name etc.
- Don't run up engines for more than 1 or 2 minutes except at test stand or end flight stands.
- Always pull a frequency pin for anything other than 2.4GHz
- Always communicate take offs & landings
- No flying behind the Flight Line
- No solo flying by Students
- Only 5 aircraft in the air at one time – 1 pilot per flight station



Control Line Banshee Build

part 2

Last month we built the wing for this model. So in part 2 we will finish things up with the fuselage, covering and final assembly.

The fuselage is pretty straight forward on these profile type models. I put a little more work into mine to give it a better finished look. A profile fuselage is essentially a flat slab of 1/2" balsa cut in the side view shape you want. In this case it is intended to look like a Goodyear style racer. An issue comes up immediately. The Banshee has a very long nose which is typical of control line models. This is partly driven by the fact that the older (Fox .35 for example) engines were very light. My modern Evolution .40 RC engine with a muffler is much heavier. To deal with this I shortened the nose by 2" and reshaped what was left to keep the same general look. The 1/2" fuselage slab is reinforced on both sides of the nose by a 1/8" plywood doubler /tripler. I feathered the plywood pieces to provide a smooth transition from the 3/4" reinforced area to the 1/2" balsa slab.



Feather edge sanded on doubler



Note shortened balsa nose area



Doubler weighted and glued in place



Feathered Fuselage plywood doubler

At this time I also drilled all of the holes for the engine, fuel tank and landing gear.

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Mounting holes drilled in nose

At this point I mounted the engine and spinner and marked the area where the fuselage nose will blend into the shape of the spinner. Not absolutely necessary but it just provides a better finished look. Another thing I did was to taper the thickness of the balsa slab from 1/2" in the wing mounting area to 3/16" at the tail. This now matches up with the thickness of the rudder and looks better in my opinion.



Fuselage taper at the rudder location

The next thing that needs to be done is to provide a hole and slot in the bottom of the fuselage for mounting the tail wheel. I drilled a 1/16" hole 1-1/2" deep and used my Xacto knife to make a slot

about 1" long. The tail wheel wire will be installed and glued after covering.



Tail Wheel mounting slot

The fuselage is now final sanded. This includes rounding off the top and bottom edges to a half round shape. It just looks better that way.

Time to cover. I chose to use a single color for the film covering and I will add some bling using a silver leaf process. I have used most of the iron on film covering products that have been sold over the years. Some are easier than others to use but I recently discovered a new product that has been around for a while but I had never heard of it. I used it on my last RC model and find it to be the best stuff I've ever used. This material does not have a cute variation of the Monokote name and I've never found anyone in the club that has ever used it. When I did a Google search on user reviews for this material I did not find a single negative review...none. This stuff shrinks well, is easily stretched with a little heat from your heat gun, works at a pretty low temperature and is only 10 bucks for a 5 meter long roll. For me, the big test is how it does rounded wing tips. On this model I got tight wrinkle free wing tips in just a few heat and stretch steps...absolutely amazing. The final thing I really like is that I have not gotten any wrinkles with the plane sitting out in the hot sun. So where do you buy it? Hobby King of all places. Just search the hobby king site using "film" as the search word.

I covered the fuselage and fin in 2 pieces. The covering stretches enough to get into the tight corners at the front of the canopy and the front of the fin. Since control line stunt plane wings have no dihedral I covered the

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top and bottom with a total of 2 pieces including the wing tips. Simply cut 2 pieces of film allowing for 1-1/2" extra at the leading and trailing edges and about 3" extra at each tip.



One piece bottom wing covering

Strip the protective film off of the back of the covering and lay it on the bottom of the wing and center it front to rear and left to right. Set your iron to about 250 deg. F. Next, I lightly tack the film to the trailing edge corner being sure to not disturb the position of the film. Next I tack the covering to the leading edge starting at the middle. I GENTLY pull the film forward before each tack to minimize the amount I have to shrink later. I now seal the entire trailing edge corner and hinge line. Next I seal the entire leading edge. At this point the film is slightly loose but no major wrinkles should be present. I now take the heat gun and just snug up the film. This is not the final tightening shrink so there may be some small wrinkles. Now for the wing tip. I start by grabbing the excess film at the front of the tip and pulled down over the edge of the tip. Apply heat from your heat gun while pulling down. The wrinkles will start to disappear. Grab another part of the extra material, pull and shrink. Repeat a couple more times as you move toward the trailing edge corner



Shrinking at the wing tip.

I now do the final shrink of the whole bottom side of the wing using the heat gun working from the center to-

wards the tip. In areas where I want to have the film stick to the sheeting I use a cotton gloved hand to press the covering on to the wood while heating with the hot air gun. Now use an Xacto knife with a new sharp #11 blade and trim the excess material. Finally use your sealing iron and iron the trimmed edges tight to the surface. Use this same process to cover the top of the wing as well as all of the control surfaces.

Final assembly amounts to assembling and gluing the wing and horizontal stabilizer to the fuselage. I did the wing first by using wood blocks to hold the fuselage square to by building board and inserting the wing through the wing opening. Use a ruler to center the wing and a square to assure that the trailing edge is 90 deg to the length of the fuselage. When you are satisfied that the position and angle is correct, check it one more time. Take a marker and mark the wing covering at the wing to fuselage intersection on all four corners. Remove the wing and cut the covering at the marks and remove the material at the wing/fuselage joint to expose the wood center section sheeting. Now reassemble the wing to the fuselage as before. **Make double darn sure that everything is aligned.** Mix about 1/2oz. of 15 minute epoxy (don't use 5 minute for this) and using a small stick apply the epoxy to the wing to fuselage joint on both sides. Use your finger to force the epoxy into the gap. Dip your finger in some denatured alcohol to smooth the epoxy into a nice small fillet. Check the alignment again...in 15 minutes any error becomes permanent.

Do this same process on the horizontal stabilizer. When the epoxy is fully cured flip the model over and do the epoxy joint on the bottom side. Using a hinge slotter cut flap and elevator hinges and CA the hinges in the slots. On this model I decided to keep the trim design simple but using a silver leaf process. The process is the same as I used on my John Player Special full RC Accentor a few issues back so I'm not going to cover the whole thing again.

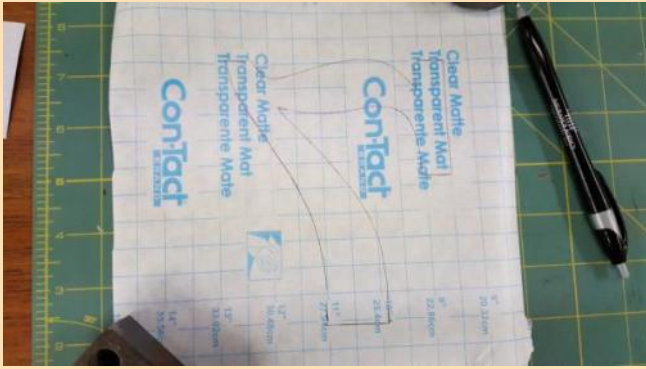
Just a few pictures to highlight the process.



Graphic printed on paper

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Graphic traced on clear contact paper



Cutting the contact paper mask



Mask ready to use



Placing mask

When the mask is placed, apply the silver leaf contact adhesive according to the instructions on the bottle. Then apply the silver leaf material using a stabbing motion with a stiff artist brush.



Silver leaf being applied



The final look ready to fly

I mentioned last month that there would be an unexpected surprise with this model. I received this Banshee kit in a pilot drawing at our control line event this past spring. President Bob C. said hey Steve why don't you put that thing on floats and fly it at the Midwest Regional Float Fly?!! So I said yeah, sure, OK. Later I started looking on line for examples of control line flying on floats. I found one video and nothing else. I later found out that my Romeo Skyhawks friend Jim Held did it when he was a kid. So not unheard of but certainly unusual. So I downloaded the Chuck Cunningham easy float design guide

<http://www.swarms.org.au/hintstips/howtobuildfloats.htm>

and cut a set of foam floats out of some Home Depot pink foam I have in my shop. I covered the floats with the same Hobby King film as I put on the Banshee.

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Pink foam floats for Banshee



Banshee on her floats

At the MWRFF I found that I could stand about 40 to 50 feet from the shore and the water was just at the tops of my thighs. So, at the appointed time the RC flight-line was shut down and I started up the Evolution 40 for a flight. Jim Held did the release of the model and Skymaster Ted Labe made the video. The Banshee was off of the water in 6 feet and flew perfectly. I was able to keep my footing on the soft lake bottom and all was well. I did some mild aerobatics and after maybe 4 minutes I throttled down and landed. The engine quit as a result of spray from the floats going down the intake. I simply towed the plane back to the beach using the control lines. Definitely a fun flight and I think those watching enjoyed the show. Here are a few pictures from Ted's video:



Banshee circular and level



Banshee in the middle of a lazy eight

Closeup of Banshee with floats

That's it for this month. Hope you enjoyed the build.

Next month we will be starting a more ambitious project. It will be a scratch build of a vintage RC pattern plane that won the World Championship and the AMA Nationals along with many local and regional championships. It is a gorgeous airplane and I expect it will take 4 articles to do it justice.

Steve

Midwest Regional Float Fly

Photos by Bill Pesch and Hong Yin

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Scouts and Rockets

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More from the Pontiac Airport Open House

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2017 Skymasters FunFly

Photos by Paul Goelz and Bill Pesch

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Five Minutes on Safety

Random Thoughts

Range check

- It is a good idea (that many of us ignore) to do a range check before each new flying session. A known good radio system can fail, and you never know when that might happen.

Prop safety

- ALWAYS treat the propeller on an electric aircraft like a loaded gun whenever the battery is connected.
- ALWAYS treat the propeller on a fuel powered aircraft with extreme respect when the engine is running. Take extra time to think it through when making any needle valve or engine adjustments with the engine running.
- ALWAYS make sure that any cords or cable (like remote glow starters and starter power cords) are well clear before starting the engine.

Throttle Hold switch

- ALWAYS program, understand and USE a throttle hold switch on your transmitter if the transmitter includes that function. A THROTTLE HOLD switch is different than a THROTTLE KILL switch and is useful on both fuel powered and electric aircraft.
- The THROTTLE HOLD switch locks the throttle channel to idle (fuel powered) or zero throttle (electric) and prevents the throttle from advancing unless the switch is placed in the "non-hold" position.

Battery disconnect

- Electric aircraft are MUCH safer if they are equipped with a master battery disconnect switch, accessible from the outside of the aircraft with all hatches closed / in place. The disconnect usually takes the form of a shorting plug that can be seen and when NOT inserted, you know for sure that the motor is disabled. This is even more important if the battery plug is not easily accessible in an emergency.

Taxi safely

- It is good practice when taxiing not to aim directly at an opening between flight stations. When taxiing back to the pits, I angle towards a flight station until I get close and then I taxi parallel to the flightline until I reach the opening where I am standing. While still aiming east or west (ie., NOT towards the pits) I shut the motor down and then carry or tail walk the aircraft back to the pits.

Help Wanted



Skymasters RC Club is looking for people to fill several positions. Some long term some short term. Please see where your talents and gifts can help your club. Open positions available are:

Website Calendar Editor: We are looking for someone to help keep our on-line calendar updated. We also need someone that can work with the webmaster in updating the look of the website. (CSS & HTML)

Staff Photographer/Videographer: work with Webmaster, Newsletter Editor and Club President to photograph/video club Events, Meetings and submit for publication and upload to the club website and archives.

Staff Writer: need individuals who attend the many various Skymasters events, and document the event by writing an article for the club Newsletter the Skywriter. Writers don't need to attend everything and are welcome to contribute by writing some general interest articles also.

PR/Promotions: looking for Skymasters to help on promoting our upcoming summer events in various ways, such as distributing flyers and brochures in the local and surrounding communities or writing press releases if you have the time we have the information.

Grill Chef/Food Service: we are always looking for help to perform one of the most important tasks of our club... keeping us well fed. We are always looking to fill these key positions for some of our big events. Shift work available and you can eat for free. Your help is appreciated.

Sanitation Engineer: keeping our flying field looking nice involves everyone's hard work, constantly picking up around the field. We need every member to take it upon themselves to help keep the field and grounds clean and in order. Don't walk past trash or garbage on the ground. Don't assume we have a cleaning crew, because it is YOU. Our flying field is so nice because we have so many great members who care... LIKE YOU!

Watch for more Job Postings in the Skywriter.

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Saturday Fall Seminars are BACK!
Join us for Coffee and Donuts
11AM



Oct 14th - "Soar to New Heights"

Barney will present an awesome power point presentation explaining the different aspects of model soaring. Worth the visit.



Oct 21st - Airbrushing w/ Joe and George

A yearly seminar season favorite. The boys "Spray that again"



Oct 28th - "Gotcha Covered"

The basics of Iron on coverings with John. We will explore different iron on coverings. Finishing up a wing during the seminar and use the electric hinge slotting tool.



Nov 4th - "Positive Spin"

Brian will talk about electrics. Battery care and feeding of electric models. This seminar is very informative. We had a great turnout last year.

Hope you can join us each week. We start by 11:05 and try to be done by 12:30 give or take. Everyone is invited. Come on in, share, learn and by all means; have a doughnut!



2017 CLUB EVENTS

SKYMASTERS RC CLUB – LAKE ORION, MI



April 2017

Saturday April 22 — **Involvement Day** – Bald Mountain, Scripps Road Field; Lake Orion

May 2017

Saturday May 13—**Field Opening/Work Day** – Scripps Road Flying Field; Lake Orion

Sunday May 21—**Spring Float Fly [Chet Brady]** – Bald Mountain Trout Lake; Lake Orion

Wednesday May 31 – **Student Flight Training & Potluck** begins – Scripps Road Flying Field; Lake Orion

June 2017

Wednesday June 14—**Fish Fry Dinner & Member Appreciation** – Scripps Road Flying Field; Lake Orion

NEW! Saturday June 17—**Control Line Fly In** – 12- 5 p.m. – Scripps Road Flying Field; Lake Orion

Saturday June 24-25—**Electric & Night Fly In** – Scripps Road Flying Field; Lake Orion

July 2017

Saturday July 15 —**Open House Air Show 2017 - Recreation 101**– Scripps Road Flying Field; Lake Orion

August 2017

Sunday August 6—**Warbirds and Scale Fly In** - Scripps Road Flying Field; Lake Orion

Sunday August 27—**Corn Roast and Top Gun Flying** - Scripps Road Flying Field; Lake Orion

September 2017

Sat & Sunday September 9-10—**Midwest Regional Float Fly** – Island Lake State Park; Brighton

Saturday September 23—**Skymasters Fun Fly** - Scripps Road Flying Field; Lake Orion

October 2017

Tuesday October 24—Indoor Flying Season Begins – Ultimate Soccer Arenas; Auburn Hills

November 2017

December 2017

Thursday December 7—**Christmas Party** – Orion Center; Lake Orion

Sunday December 31—**Krazy Snow Fly** - Scripps Road Flying Field; Lake Orion



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Skymasters 2017-2018

Club Meetings

Orion Center - 1335 Joslyn Rd, Lake Orion, MI 48360 - Room A

2nd & 4th Thursdays of Month – 6:45 – 8:45 p.m.

October 2017

12th – Club Meeting – Scripps Field

26th – Club Meeting – Orion Center

November

9th – Club Meeting – Orion Center - (financial Review & Elections)

December 2017

14th – Club Meeting – Orion Center - (Christmas Party)

January 2018

11th – Club Meeting – Orion Center

25th – Club Meeting – Orion Center

February 2018

8th – Club Meeting – Orion Center

22nd – Club Meeting – Orion Center

March 2018

8th – Club Meeting – Orion Center

22nd – Club Meeting – Orion Center



ON THE WING

Skymasters Breakfast

(Everyone is welcome)

First and Third Monday of each month
through the summer... and beyond!

9AM

Red Olive restaurant

In the strip mall on Walton
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Rochester MI

Skymasters Indoor Flying

Begins Tues. October 24th

We'll be flying every
Tuesday through April

10AM to 1PM (Yes, three hours) at
Ultimate Soccer, Opdyke and South Blvd

Pontiac, MI



Other local area indoor flying sessions

Premiere Sports Center

14901 23 mile, Shelby Twp, MI
(northwest corner of 23 mile and Hayes)

Every Thursday, 9AM to 3PM

Beginning Thursday October 19th

Electric planes and helis (separate heli space)

\$10/session, AMA required

Info: Steve Durecki 586-246-4203 (text or

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9299 Goble Dr.
Brighton, MI 48139

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Rd. and M23)

Wednesdays 1PM—3PM November through
March

\$10/session

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October 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Skymasters Breakfast 9AM Red Olive, Rochester Hills	3	4	5	6	7 Saturday Breakfast 8:30AM Iris Cafe
8	9	10	11	12 Skymasters Meeting 6:45PM Scripps Field	13	14 Saturday Breakfast 8:30AM Iris Café Flightline Seminar "Soaring" 11AM Flightline Hobby
15	16 Skymasters Breakfast 9AM Red Olive, Rochester Hills	17	18	19 Indoor Flying 9AM—3PM Premier Sports Center Shelby TWP	20	21 Saturday Breakfast 8:30AM Iris Cafe Flightline Seminar "Airbrushing" 11AM Flightline Hobby
22	23	24 Indoor Flying 10AM-1PM Ultimate Soccer, Pontiac	25	26 Indoor Flying 9AM—3PM Premier Sports Center Shelby TWP Skymasters Meeting 6:45PM Orion Center	27	28 Saturday Breakfast 8:30AM Iris Cafe Flightline Seminar "Covering" 11AM Flightline Hobby
29	30	31 Indoor Flying 10AM-1PM Ultimate Soccer, Pontiac				

Skymasters Information...

[The Skymasters field is located in Lake Orion, within the Bald Mountain Recreational Area](#) on Scripps Road, between M24 and Joslyn (see map). A recreation passport or sticker is required and can be obtained from the Park Headquarters located on Greenshield Road or you can check the box on your tab renewal for a "Recreational Passport".

Flying hours:

QUIET ELECTRICS ONLY from 8AM to 10AM and 8PM to 10PM. **The noise limit is 80dBa at ten feet.** Regular flying is permitted between 10 AM to 8 PM. **The noise limit is 94 dBA at 10 feet.** These noise limits are enforced.

Student Instruction & Pot Luck

Every Wednesday, May through September. Flying any time but we eat at 6:00 p.m. - rain or shine, literally!

For those participating we ask that

you bring something for the grill - enough to feed (at least) you and your guests -OR- bring a dish to pass -OR- bring your own (non-alcoholic) beverage. **Something for the grill:** The obvious choices are burgers, sausages/brats and hotdogs - but other alternatives are welcome. If you bring it we will cook it! We've cooked pork tenderloin and chops, salmon, venison burgers, steaks and more. Don't forget the buns.

We start cooking about 5:30 p.m. - having grill items by then helps us get everything ready on time.

Potluck dish to pass: Don't know what to bring, working late? Each week we'll let you know what is needed for the next week from plates to condiments, charcoal, etc.

Pick one of the needed items to bring instead! Not one to cook? A quick stop at local supermarket deli

for a side salad, or bakery for dessert always works!

From June through August, club meetings are held at the field, on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 8 PM. A great chance to fly and socialize. **Winter meetings (September through May)** are held at the Orion Center, 1335 Joslyn, in Lake Orion. Bring a model for Show and Tell, enjoy coffee and donuts and listen to the speaker of the evening.

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