

## **EAGLES' NEST**

**RIVER DISTRICT R/C EAGLES**  
Remote Control Model Aviation Club  
St. Clair County, Michigan

**CHARTER MEMBER No. 1185 SINCE 1975**  
**ACADEMY OF MODEL AERONAUTICS**  
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## **OCTOBER 2011**

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### **Club Meeting**

First Wednesday of each month at the Marysville Library,  
1175 Delaware Blvd. @ 7:00 p.m.

Please try to attend the meetings if you can. We need your  
input and suggestions. Besides, it's a great way to stay in  
touch with what is going on in your club.

### **Instructors**

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Dave Waldecker: (810) 765-3041

Gary Wilkerson: [eaglesnest106@yahoo.com](mailto:eaglesnest106@yahoo.com)

### **Upcoming Dates**

#### **NOVEMBER;**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Club Meeting at 7 pm  
(Nomination of Officers)
- 5<sup>TH</sup> Annual Dinner at Junction  
Buoy Restaurant at 6 P.M.
- 16<sup>th</sup> Breakfast at Big Boy

## **CLUB DUES NOW \$60**

A motion was made and passed at the October meeting increasing club dues to \$60 in 2012 to meet costs for developing the new Ravenswood field.

This increase did not require a Constitutional change as reported in the September newsletter in error. A revised membership application form is included in this newsletter.

## **ANNUAL DINNER**

The membership at the October meeting elected to continue having the annual club dinner (formerly known as the Awards Dinner). It will be held at the Junction Buoy Restaurant (on the St. Clair River in Marysville across from the Park) on Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. Attendees will be responsible for their own dinners and tip. You will have a wide choice of meals ordering from the menu. Drinks are available.



**River District R/C Eagles**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**October 05/2011**

**Meeting called to order:**

- 7:PM by Gary W., Pledge of Allegiance recited by membership

**Officers in Attendance:**

- Gary Wilkerson, President; Jack Delisle, Vice President; Bill Welsler, Treasurer; Archie Kammer, Secretary;

**Members in Attendance:**

- 10

**Treasurer's Report:**

- Read by Bill W., motion to accept by Al H., seconded by Maynard F.,-passed
- Motion to accept September meeting minutes as written in newsletter by Maynard F., seconded by Sam G.,-passed

**Field Committee Report:**

- Gary W. reported on the work being done around our flying field. This work being done consist of removal of trees and brush being cleaned off in preparation for farming the land. Gary W. stated that the new grass on the additions to our flying field, seeded this spring, is growing and looking very good.
- Archie K. stated that with the three locks now on the gate cable, you could mistakably lock out the other parties or the Club members could be locked out.

**Unfinished Business:**

- Sam G. made a motion that the Club membership dues be increased from \$40 to \$60 a year. After much discussion on the motion, it was seconded by Bud J.,-passed

**New Business:**

- A motion was made by Jack D. that as long as Al H. is the Club newsletter editor he should not have to pay Club membership dues, seconded by Dave W.,-passed
- A motion was made by Jack D. that Gary W. should have a life time Club membership starting now. Jack D. stated that without the help of Gary W. the Club would not have a flying field. The motion was seconded by Dave W.,-passed
- Bud J. mentioned that Archie K. should be recognized by the membership for Club work

that he had done, this was acknowledged with applause.

- Gary W. asked if the Club was interested in having the annual Club dinner which has been in November. After some discussion a motion was made by Sam G. that we have the annual Club dinner, seconded by Jack D.,-passed. It was decided that the Club would have the dinner at the Junction Buoy; Gary W. will confirm this on the date and time.
- 50/50 drawing of \$5.00 won by Dave K. was donated back to the Club.
- Motion to adjourn by Maynard F. seconded by Sam G.,-passed

Submitted by Archie Kammer, Secretary

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**RIVER DISTRICT R/C EAGLES**  
**FINANCIAL REPORT ENDING**  
**OCTOBER 31, 2011**

**Due to technical difficulties the October financial report will be read at the November 2<sup>nd</sup> club meeting.**

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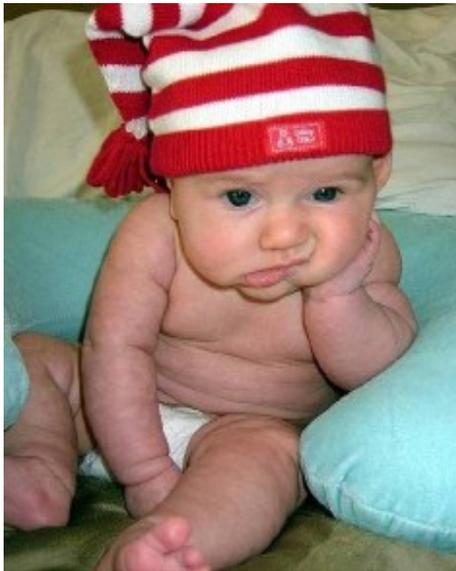
## **NOMINATION OF OFFICERS**

**The annual nomination of officers will take place at the November 2<sup>nd</sup> club meeting. Please plan on attending as we need to consider who will be running our club in 2012. If you would like to be considered for one of the positions, or know someone you think would make a good officer, please plan on attending. Officers are necessary for the club to continue operating. Thank you.**

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# Stuff



So I'm sitting here wondering what my fingers will do when they start typing?

Our new field, that I will call Eagles Field, is done and the new grass is so well along I wouldn't be surprised if it got mowed yet this year.

If you don't already know, we voted at the last meeting to raise our dues by about \$1.67 a month from 40 dollars to 60 dollars a year.

We did this because we had completely depleted our treasury and went in debt about 1,000 dollars to finish Eagles Field.

The well has run dry for 2011 but, if we have enough dedicated returning members, by the time the snow has gone in the spring of 2012 the River District R/C Eagles will have enough money in the treasury that the past due loans will have been paid and we'll have money to maintain Eagles Field and our equipment and handle most emergencies too.



One argument we hear every time a mention of dues increases is that we will lose members and I suppose that is true because one member quit when he saw that the dues could be raised. That was before the vote was even taken at the meeting of October 5.

In the long run the club will exist because of our dedicated members so I thank you.

Boy Scouts Honor, This is a true ongoing story and I hope it is finished with an OK by the time you are reading this newsletter.

I ordered a couple of items from Hobby King's USofA's warehouse and neither were on backorder. When I didn't receive the items as soon as I thought I should I went to their website and signed on and went to my account where I found that one item was on backorder even though, at the time I sent in the order, it wasn't.

I then tried changing my order and wasn't allowed to do that because that box was dimmed when I clicked on it. Failing that I tried calling the phone number posted on the web site and that didn't happen. After 10 rings it just went dead.

I then e-mailed Hobby King with my problem and they said their phones were discontinued because of the workload but "Ken" was happy to help so I wrote him that I wanted to change my order and get the item that wasn't on back order.

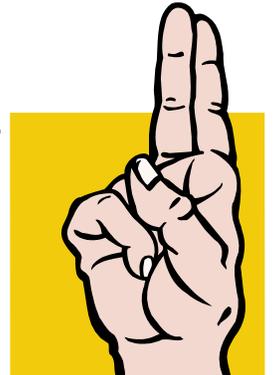
Ken e-mailed me back a few days later and said he did that and it would be three or four weeks until I get my order.

The moral of the story? If you want something soonest check out American sources and order from them. It will cost more but the service and piece of mind is worth every penny.

What did I do? I asked Nancy if she wanted to go to the Prop Shop and have lunch out and that's hard to refuse so she said yes.

We got in the car and went down to Van Dyke between Nine and Ten Mile in Warren and bought the items I wanted.

Has Hobby King ever cheated me? No, but their service is getting poorer it seems so I'm checking out better sources right here in the United States of America. Ed Olszewski suggested HobbyPartz, heh !



Jack DeLisle

# Dinner at the Junction Buoy

**Hi Eagles and Guests,**

**The annual River District R/C Eagles dinner is being held at the Junction Buoy again this year.**

**The Junction Buoy is in Marysville on the river road and across from the Marysville city park.**

**Dinner will be from an open menu so you will have many good choices and the food will be warmer then with a buffet if you like your food nice and warm.**

**The prices are reasonable for the food and service you will get too..**

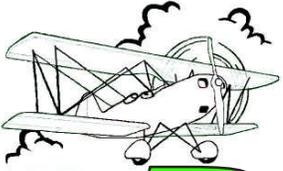
**Last year we had the South half of the room to your right as you enter pretty much to ourselves so we can talk airplanes or whatever else tickles your fancy without disturbing other customers.**

**The Date is Saturday, November the 5th, 2011**

**The Time is set for six in the evening**

**The dress is casual so bring you and yours and a big appetite and we'll see there. The dinner was tops last year and, with you there, probably better this year.**

**River District R/C Eagles**



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**R/C MODEL AIRCRAFT CLUB PRESENTS:**



**OUR 13<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL**

# **R/C SWAP MEET**

Open to  
The Public

**SUNDAY - DECEMBER 4th, 2011**

**9:00 am to**  
**1:00 pm**

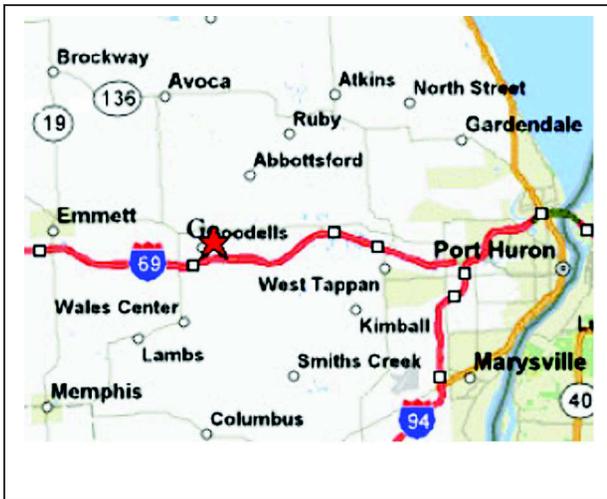
**FREE TABLE SPACE - \$3.00 ADMISSION**

If you have something to sell that is R/C related,  
Call Sheila O. at (810) 367-6367 to reserve a table today.

Vendor set-up will begin at 8:30 AM.

**Pancake Breakfast at 9:00**

Come early for the Pancake,  
Sausage, and Coffee Breakfast!



# **R/C MODEL SUPPLIES**

# **OF ALL TYPES - NEW & USED**

PROPBUSTERS SWAP MEET IS LOCATED  
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# Classified Ads

## Local Hobby Shops

### PASTIME HOBBIES

710 Huron Street, Port Huron, MI 48060  
Hours: Monday – Saturday 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
(810)-982-2874  
Toll Free: 1-(888)-475-0640

### PROP SHOP HOBBIES

23326 Van Dyke, Warren MI 48089  
(586)-757-7160

### AMSOILS

For your Pre-Mix 2-Cycle oils and all  
AMSOIL oil products, call Archie Kammer,  
your Independent AMSOIL oil dealer  
H-(810)-329-3276 C-(810)-300-2214

### Wise Do It Best Hardware And Hobbies

1309 Clinton Ave, St. Clair MI. 48079  
(810)-329-3141

### FOR SALE

Zlin 46 size, with almost new ASP 91 glow,  
has 14 flights on it, \$240  
Stinger 10, ready for motor and radio \$25.00,  
Uproar 60, ready for motor and radio, covered in  
fabric, \$80  
Call Gary at 810-841-2342

### FOR SALE

### Hats – Hats – Hats

The River District Eagles has a new batch of hats for sale. You've seen those fancy caps the members wear at the field and wondered where to get one. Well, the secret is out! See Bud Joachim at the next meeting and he will gladly present you with a brand new cap (choice of black, green, or dark red bills) all for the low, low price of \$13.00! Hurry, supplies are limited and sales are on a first come, first served basis.

Classified ads are free and will be removed after 3 months unless notified by the owner the items are still available. Please notify the editor either by telephone or by e-mail if the items are no longer available. Thank you.

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## THANK YOU

Jack DeLisle; Archie Kammer;  
Tim Toutant; Bill Welser;  
Gary Wilkerson  
For contributing to the October  
Eagles' Nest

## TIM TOUTANT IN TUCSON

Received an E-Mail from our ex President, Tim Toutant who is now residing in sunny Tucson, Arizona and his latest bird, a magnificent P-47 Jug.

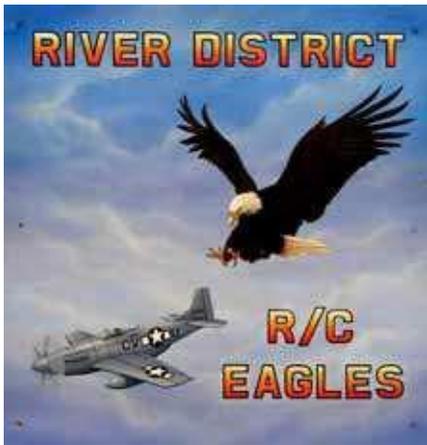


*Tim & the P-47 with P-51s In background*



*Nice 3/4 side view of Tim's P-47*

Well, needless to say, it is now starting to be flying time in Arizona. Keep us informed of your activities, Tim. Thanks.



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## 2012 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Membership period from January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012

Memberships approved after September 1, 2011 are valid through December 31, 2012

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_ (        ) \_\_\_\_\_

E- mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Would you prefer to receive the monthly newsletter by:

(    ) e-mail (no charge)        (    ) US Mail (\$5.00 charge)

There is an additional charge of \$5.00 per year to receive the newsletter by US mail

R/C flight experience

(    ) Instructor, (    ) Pilot, (    ) Beginner- *Instruction is provided free by the club.* (    ) Associate- No AMA

Membership in other R/C Aircraft Club(s) \_\_\_\_\_

In order to belong to THE RIVER DISTRICT R.C. EAGLES Inc., you must agree to abide by the Club's Constitution, Rules and Fees. In addition, the privilege of flying solo requires that you have a valid **Academy of Model Aeronautics** (AMA) Card/License, and have certified "pilot" status, by a River District R/C Eagles instructor. Be sure to include your AMA number in box above.

Member's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

I have read and understand the Eagles Constitution and Field/Flight Rules.

<p><b><u>DUES and FEES</u></b></p> <p>Junior.....no fee</p> <p>Initiation (new members only) \$25.00</p> <p>Yearly Dues.....\$60.00</p> <p>US Mailed newsletter .....\$5.00</p> <p>For dues paid after 1/1/12 to 3/31/12</p> <p>Late fee.....<b><u>WAIVED</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>( ) JUNIOR MEMBER</u></b></p> <p>19 years old or younger, on December 31, 2012. Please list date of birth for junior members only</p> <p>____/____/____</p>	<p>Checks can be made out to the <b>River District R/C Eagles</b> and mailed along with this form to the President:</p> <p><b>Mr. Gary Wilkerson</b> 1219 Minnesota, Site 106 Port Huron, MI 48060</p>
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