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The Really Big News

Well, if anyone hasn't heard... It's official. We have our own piece of land for a flying site. The first of several service projects was completed last Saturday. Another is planned for this weekend, but you probably won't have a mailed copy of the newsletter by then. Here are some of the official reports on our new site:

First up

The honor of being the very first to fly at the new field fell to Dave Stack on Saturday.

He flew his GWS Corsair on that first flight.

There were others that flew that day.

They included:

Randy Holt

Mike Passey

Matt Barnson

Steve Wilson

Hopefully, I haven't forgotten anyone.

They all put in a hard day's work and deserved a chance to fly for a little while.

Thanks to everyone that helped clean up on that first day.



Field day – or Clean up Party?

Saturday we had our first clean up day at the new field. Thanks to all that showed up to help out.

A total of 18 club members showed up with gloves, trailers and a good working spirit. It was actually fun and we did get a lot accomplished. We put in a total of 51 man hours or just over one fourth of our commitment to clean up the field.

The “Clean Up Day” notification was put out by e-mail, so those that receive their newsletter as a paper copy didn't get a chance to participate. Not to worry, there will be other days to help out the club with our responsibilities and you will be given an opportunity to participate.



Collected Junk at the Field

a guy almost forget to mention that he went home and left Harley – his helpless little dog there all alone – almost – but not quite!

We started at 9:00 and worked until noon. There were at least 6 trailer loads and several truck loads of trash and debris that were moved to the “burn area” for later disposal. We found some amazing things there – things that I can't mention in print. You'll have to work the “grapevine” to get that dirt!

At noon, we called it a day and were treated to another of Steve's wonderful lunches. Barbeque Pork, Cheese Burgers, Country Style Potatoes, Corn Dogs and all the fixing's. That certainly brought a smile to everyone's face and happiness to their stomachs.

Thanks Steve!!!! It was so good that it makes

Keys to the lock on the new field were passed out to all those who were in attendance and helped out with the clean up. The insurance is in place, and the rules are being formalized, so the field is now officially available for flying.

Please treat the use of this field as a privilege and let's all do everything we can to be good citizens and protect the field so we can be allowed to use it for at least the next ten years.

A couple of things to always remember:

1. The Main and Secondary gates are to remain locked at all times even when you are on the property flying.
2. Do not go into, on or around the derelict buildings.

Either of the above conditions could loose us the use of this field, and fields are very hard to come by – trust me.

The “Rules Committee” will have ready by the next regular club meeting a set of rules for you as a club member to ratify or offer your input.

After the rules are voted on and accepted by the club members, they will become the official rules that govern the use and activities at the flying site. Please plan on attending and exercising your options for input into these rules.

At the next meeting we will have a presentation from Mike (club secretary) that will show the actual costs and expenses of the club operation. Most likely, there will be an increase in club dues next year, but you will be able to see exactly how your money is being spent.

Name That Field Contest

Now is your chance to become famous!

Bring your ideas to the next meeting & let's see if we can come up with a great name for our new field.

Warbirds Event

Well as most of you know the Warbirds Event got blown out for the second year in a row.

The pilot turnout was very good. The guys really did show up to fly and brought many beautiful works of art. Too bad that the weather kept most of them grounded. There were a few pilots that flew, but the major portion stayed on the ground.

There were a few hardy souls from the public that showed up. Some were huddled under blankets & some just plain froze. The total paid cars into the park was only 44 and we think that weather was the major factor in keeping the attendance low. Even at that, the parking lot was full most of the morning.

Once we saw the circumstances, we changed the rules. We didn't take any pilot registration fees and just gave all the kids the little planes and items donated by the local hobby shops for their entertainment.

At noon, Pat from SomeDudes bought lunch for everyone including the pilots all the public members in attendance. Pretty nice of him I have to say.

There were hamburgers and chicken sandwiches for everyone. Macey's donated the soda pop and chips made up the “free lunch” that everyone received. There are rumors that some had 3 or more burgers – but no names were taken.

Thanks to the local hobby shops for their support. We gave away over 50 prizes with the raffle / drawings.

Thanks to the club members that came out to support the event and help with the duties of such an event.

Even after all the bad luck, the clubs will each benefit to the tune of \$113.50 for their club's participation.

Thanks all

Hopefully, next year will be better. It can't happen to us 3 years in a row! Can it?

Meeting Program Assignments

Wade gets questions all the time about when it is time to do the club meeting assignments.

Here is a list of the people who “volunteered”.

Thanks very much to those who have already performed their duties.

Here is a list:

- Oct. Dick Osborn / Dave Keachie
- Nov. Terry Toone / ?

Please remember that you are free to ask anyone you want to help and that the club “Officers” are here to help with any logistics that you may need. Check in with us at the officers’s meeting the first Tuesday of the month or by contacting one of us so we may help you with your planning and presentation.

Calendar of Events

Thanks to our Fun-Fly coordinator Mike Walkenhorst for planning our years worth of activities. Here are the dates (all times 10:00 A.M. unless otherwise noted):

- October 14th Egg Drop #2, at our new field?
- November 18th to be determined
- December 12th Christmas Dinner (Tuesday Night) no Fun Fly

Training Night

Training nights are Wednesday evenings. I'm not sure, but these will probably be ending for the season soon. Probably after the time change for sure.

Our Local Hobby Shops

MRS HOBBY <http://www.mrshobby.com/> 9445 South 690 East (801) 572-6082

WEST VALLEY HOBBIES <http://www.wvhobbies.com/> 1765 West 5400 South (801) 964-1700

Some Dudes Hobby Shop <http://www.somedudeshobbyshop.com/> 7664 South Redwood Road (801) 233-6565

WORLD CLASS MODELS <http://www.worldclassmodels.com/> 411 East 1400 South, Orem (801) 235-1869

Ultimate Hobbies - 588 West 800 South, Bountiful (801) 298-5664

R C Evolution 966 North Main, Tooele 435-882-5527 Toll Free 877-882-5527 (Todd Wilcox)

Regional Supply Inc *Coroplast 2mm and 4mm* -3571 So. 300 West (801) 262-6451

Way to go inc. *Pneumatic retracts* - Ron Jones (801) 975-7500

Norma's Custom Crafts *Custom wing covers* - Norma (801) 973-7804

Club Leadership

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Club Meetings:

Club meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month. The meetings are held at the Spring Meadows apartments on 4115 S 430 East starting at 7:00 (or whenever we can get a key). I'm told that you can enter from 500 E. but the driving directions talk about 300 E.

Club Website

Matt Barnson has asked that I put a blurb in to get some interest in the Club Website. It can be very useful, but it will only be as good as we make it. It takes a little getting used to, but once you know how to use it; it's great. Please use it as much as possible. Let's reward Matt for his work by showing our interest. The website can be found at:

<http://uterc.org> (or any combination thereof www etc.)

President's Message

The UTES have a field!

Well guys,

It is finally a "Done Deal". The Lease for the Salt Point Property flying site has been signed, the rent paid and the insurance is in place.

I don't know for how many years the constant mantra of the UTE R/C Club has been "we have to get a field of our own". Well, that is finally a reality and now the work begins.

We have a 10 year Lease for 20 acres of land with a lot of options. We were given pretty much everything that we asked for. It is going to cost us a bit of work and money, but for the first time we will actually have control of a site and a restroom when we are flying in the desert. Along with the privileges come further responsibilities, but that is the way life works. It will also cut 30 miles off the Grantsville #2 trip for everyone that is used to making that trip.

You as members voted into existence a "Rules Committee" a few meetings ago. That committee has met and is now working up a set of rules and guidelines covering the use and care of the new site.

These new rules are critical in order to protect the privilege of using this property for a flying field. It will only take one individual doing something stupid to set back the work of many and loose the privilege for the all of us. It is therefore vitally important that we have an outline of what is expected of us as Ute members.

The committee will present the proposed rules at the next club meeting. You will all get a chance to vote yes, no or input any changes that you feel are needed.

I have sent message to several clubs asking for a copy of their field rules so that we can get a feeling for what is necessary.

A secondary reason for the rules will be to insure that all club members that want to fly there are treated fairly and evenly. The object will be to see that everyone contributes to the upkeep in a fair and equal way. We don't want to see a situation where a few do all the work and the rest just show up to take advantage of others efforts without contributing.

Please make it a point to make it to the next club meeting to give your input and information about this exciting development.

Now go teach a kid to fly.

Wade

Editors Note: Way to go Wade. I know what an accomplishment this is. Thanks.

Safety Officer Message

This month I would like to use the safety notes to put in some ideas for the safety rules at the new field and I highly encourage all of you to give your feedback on the new field and any ideas you have to our field committee. One thing I know we have to do is a lot of cleanup. This means dressing appropriately. There will no doubt be some heavy and sharp items to be thrown away or burned. Don't try to be a hero and lift something heavy by yourself get some help. Steel toe boots would be a wise choice as well. It's quite amazing how many new words you can teach your child after dropping something very heavy or sharp on your toes. Work gloves would also be an excellent idea and can be found very cheap at Harbor Freight Tools on State Street around 3450 S.

As for rules at the new field I'm sure they will be in accordance with AMA regs and will require things such as a frequency board. No flying over the pits or into parked vehicles. Perhaps we will even do what I have seen other fields do and have a separate area for starting our engines for testing and such. This way if something should go wrong there aren't as many people around to get hurt by the flying prop or spinner. One rule I know will be a biggie is locking the gate every time you go through it. If we mess this one up and leave the gate open we are guaranteed to loose our field. The owners are very nervous about anyone on their property. Another must will be that you are a current member of the AMA otherwise the insurance we carry on the field would not cover an accident. To protect the club and the landowners we must make sure we all pay our dues. No doubt our membership price in the club will have to go up a little bit to cover our cost of the field but after looking at some other clubs our \$25 a year is very low anyway. One member I talked to of another club said there fees are \$60 a year and a one-time fee of \$150.

Thats it for now. Know that any of the rules I've mentioned don't exist yet they are just ideas and probabilities. Lets all hear your input so we can make our new field a safe and fun place for everyone. After all it would be the Toole ambulance that comes to get us if we are hurt.