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NEXT MEETING

**Thursday
February 2
Brentwood Library
2114 S Brentwood
located on the
corner of Seminole
and Glenstone**

From The President

by Doug Bennett

It's never much fun to have to share bad news with you, but in case you haven't heard we have lost one of our faithful members. Harold "Doc" Wessels passed away this last week after a long illness.

Doc was one of a kind and he stood out in a crowd anywhere he went. He was outspoken to say the least, but always had the good of his family or the club on his mind. I think his Grand Daughter summed it up best in her eulogy when she said he was a sheep in wolf's clothing. She said he was like a firecracker, one loud pop and it was over. If you knew Doc, you know what I mean.

I knew Doc for over 20 years and had my run-ins with him, but



Members at The Chili Funfly

we also had some pretty good times. He and I would always laugh about the time when the plane got past the safety fence and was heading straight at us. You never saw too bigger men move as fast as we did and get so close to the ground. Or the time he thought that I'd spent too much club money on ribs for a club fun fly. He made sure he got his moneys worth when he came through the line and when his plate broke in two and his food hit the floor, well lets just say he was a little embarrassed.

Doc loved to fly. Doc was also a veteran of the Air Force and a full-scale pilot. He loved to take Marjorie his wife, and Sparky flying on Sunday. He started flying R/C only after his health would not let him fly anymore. He and Sparky were always at the field

together. He also loved to build. You would never know what he'd show up with next, but it was always different. It was a good thing for Sparky too. Doc would build and repair all week and on the weekends Sparky would make sure his dad had something to do all week.

Although Doc hadn't been an active member for the last year, he would make frequent trips to the field to make sure we had it under control. He continued to stay in touch with what was going on and would make every flying event he could. I'll miss Doc as a friend and will always remember him for the fun and good time that we shared.

Doug

Springfield RC Club Minutes for January 2006. Don Bordwell, Secretary

On Thursday, January 5, 2006 the January Meeting of the Springfield R.C. Club was held at the Springfield Public Library South Center at 7:00 P.M. The minutes were as follows:

President Doug Bennett brought the meeting to order shortly after 7:00 P.M with 21 members present. A greeting was given to the new members in attendance who were asked to stand and introduce themselves and what they flew. The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as posted in the newsletter. Treasurer David Campbell gave a treasurers report including an enlightening 4 year profit and loss statement for the club. A motion was made, seconded, and carried to accept the report as read.

Old Business: Doug brought up the need for corrections to the proposed event calendar for 2006. Due to various conflicts the Fun Scale Fly was tentatively moved to Saturday June 3, and the Fall Rotor Finally was rescheduled for October 6, 7, and 8. Discussion was made regarding fees for Junior membership and officers/ board member's dues. It was accepted without motion or vote to leave the Junior membership

dues at \$50 and to increase the officer dues to \$50. No opposition was voiced. David Campbell questioned the need to address whether to move club funds into a C.D. or other type of account. General discussion leaned to tabling the item until April and seeing how the 2006 membership renewals turn out. It was pointed out that the 2005 membership mailing list would be used for newsletter circulation through March at which time all non-renewed members would be dropped from the list.

New Business: President Doug Bennett brought the club up to speed on the Springfield Parks Public Flying Site Initiative. Prospective locations were discussed and Doug asked that any suggestions for items that would be desirable for the project be forwarded to him via note or e-mail. Doug requested a third representative to assist himself and Russ Rhodes in representing the club in this matter. Jeff Schmidt volunteered with Mark Copeland as an alternate. David Campbell brought up the need for courtesy in "right of way" encounters in the air. Don Bordwell presented the need for frequency pins for the 27mhz channels and Doug volunteered to make them. Some discussion

was brought up regarding the approved flying times at the field and whether they applied to small electric airplanes as well. Doug suggested putting the issue in the newsletter and voting on it in February which was accepted without motion or vote.

David pointed out that a donation had been made to purchase another refrigerator for the hangar. Jerry Kutz said he knew of one we might purchase very reasonably and was instructed to check into it. Field Marshal Mark Copeland cautioned that we need to make plans for how to secure it against the frequent thefts we experienced last year.

Doug informed the club that the officers and board members had decided to provide a board member or other designated person to handle money taken in at all sanctioned club events. This person would be responsible for the entry fees and monies collected for food and will provide a detailed report to the club treasurer immediately after the event. This will also allow the CD's to focus on the running of the event and making sure the participants needs are met and that everyone has a good time.

2006 Events Calendar

- Jan 1 Annual Chili Fly
- Apr 22 Field Day
- Apr 29 Alternate Field Day
- May 15 Swap Meet and Fun Fly
- Jun 3 Fun Scale Contest
- July 29 Float Fly Practice, Lake Springfield
- Aug 12-13 Annual Float Fly, Lake Springfield
- Sep 9-10 Annual Pattern Contest
- Oct 6-8 Annual Heli Fly
- Dec 7 Christmas Party

Springfield R/C Flying Club Fun Scale Contest

SPRINGFIELD MO

June 3, 2006

Registration at 9:00 a.m.

Static Judging at 10:00 a.m.

Flight Judging at 11:00 a.m.

- ◆ AMA Sanctioned
- ◆ 2 Classes Military & Civilian
- ◆ Plaques through 3rd place in each.
- ◆ Food and Refreshment on site
- ◆ Due to noise restrictions gas engines are prohibited
- ◆ Landing fee \$5

GPS Coordinates:

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Directions to field:

From I-44 & 65 take 65 North approx. 7 miles to Highway KK, turn left. Go 2 miles to Farm Rd. 189, turn right and go 1/4 mile and your there.

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It was a mostly cloudy windy day with gusts well over 30mph, but warm for the most part, certainly mild for the first day of 2006. The first to fly in the very stiff wind was our new President, Doug Bennett. Second to brave the wind was Mike Howard flying a trainer. Around 1pm, the crowd begin to

get heavy and the eating began. Josh Campbell and Charlie Conlee provided entertainment with a couple of R/C trucks drag racing on the runway. Lanora Campbell (Dave was ill) took in dues money and even signed up some new members! Several others flew, but models better suited for the wind. It was

a great day for visiting with fellow members. Now if Doug, Josh and Charlie hadn't broken their landing gear, and Jeff (Schmidt) could have just found that muffler that fell out in the field, it would have been a better day.

Barry Harper



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 • club cards
 • are now
 • available,
 • send for yours
 • today, don't delay"
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 February 11, 2006
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This is Forest Wilhite's first pattern ship that he built. I here it weighs in around 10 and 1/2 pounds and he flies it with a YS160. Yup it has unlimited vertical.

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