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Blacksheep and the Scouts!

The Springfield RC Club aka the Blacksheep Squadron. Participated in the Boy Scouts Pathfinder event June 16th. Sam Tillery did all of the leg work in getting this set up. His work paid off with a really good event, one which the boys and the Blacksheep members enjoyed.

We had 25 RC airplanes and 2 Helicopters on display for the boys to look at. Rick Sackman had also brought a large screen tv and a flight simulator for the boys to try. This was a great idea as the boys were lined up to take turns.

The following Blacksheep were kept busy answering questions and helping on the simulator.

Sam Tillery, Rick Sackman, Butch Scott, Caden Hendee, Diane Hendee, Ron Hargrave and Kirk Nelson all assisted in staging this outing with the scouts. The event ran from 8:00 AM until 3:00 PM. I did not get an official tally for the number of boys there but would estimate it at 400 to 600 kids. . Kinda hard to tell since they were all running most of the time usually in different directions!

Caden flew some of his park flyers for the guys and Kirk Nelson put on one of his fantastic helicopter flying demonstrations for the troops. At the end of the flight he got a great round of applause and a stampede of boys who wanted to

talk to him and see the helicopters up close and personal. Some even posed for pictures with the helicopters. The flight simulator was a big success with the interest divided between trying to actually fly the airplane and seeing who could create the most spectacular crash! It was a good event for us and I feel certain that we generated some interest in some of the boys.

Sam did an excellent job in putting this together and following through on it. Cadens mom Diane was a great help and also provided us with lots of photos.





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Whee it is getting HOT!

The temperature is climbing and I wanted to remind all of you to be safe and drink plenty of water at the field. Sun screen is also an excellent idea.

Mystery plane from June Newsletter.

Well I was pretty confident that the mystery plane in the June newsletter would go unanswered. Instead Butch Scott emailed me within 2 hours with the correct answer.

Bellanca crusiair 14-9! Congratulations Butch you are the only one to get it correct!

Now here is the next Mystery airplane. This one is a little bit easier to I.D.



Email me your answers! Ron

Aviation Quotes!

1. I wanted to go back for another 50 missions, but they ruled it out because I had a case of malaria that kept recurring. So I had to stay in the States and teach combat flying. In short I was shot down by a mosquito! Frank Hurlbut, P-38 pilot.
2. If Black Boxes survive air crashes - why don't they make the whole darn plane out that stuff?
3. What is "Dead Reckoning" asked the student. The instructor replied "You reckon correctly or you're dead"!

That's it for this month guys. Stay cool and enjoy the summer.

See you at the field.

Ron