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Hello Blacksheep, well it looks like spring 2018 has finally arrived. The work day at the field went really well and we got quite a bit accomplished. Thanks to everyone that turned out to assist.

I was at the field last Saturday and the work that was done was obvious, the rollers did a great job of smoothing out some of the bumps at the end of the runway. One of my landings went a little bit long and to my surprise the airplane did not hit a bump and jump up into the air. Thanks George for pulling that big ole roller all over the field. George also has been mowing the grass really low for an area of approx.. 20 feet all around the paved runway. Works out really well.

Dennis got the flagpole painted and it looks good with the new wind sock. We can be very proud of this field. Be sure to load up your planes and come on out and put some air under their wings.

Dons first of the month coffee fly was a big success, we had 14 flyers in

attendance. Lots of airplanes in the air and on the ground. Doughnuts went away fast, the coffee was excellent. Nice way to start a weekend. If you have not yet attended one of these first of the month coffee flies, put it on your to do list for the first Saturday of each month.

I recently was in Houston and had a chance to visit my old field with a longtime friend. Mr. George Lumpkins is the gentleman that got me involved in RC airplanes and to say that he comes up with some "Unique" airplanes is to say that Trump is a shy retiring individual.

When he originally told me of his latest plans I assured George that he had indeed gone over the edge, that it would never work, and it was simply crazy. Naturally that was all he needed to spur him on to create this monster.

Here is the recipe, take one electric powered stick.

Remove original motor, install 4 pusher motors on the wings.



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Oh by the way he mounted the motors on the ailerons. He did all this and had to extend the nose to so he could put some lead in there to get it to balance.

I got to see this thing in action, now it must weigh close to 12 pounds and it is not pretty.

But it flies like crazy, take off acceleration is like the proverbial scalded cat. Vertical climb is unlimited except for George's eyesight

The roll rate is very quick and he has the ailerons set up as flaperons so the thing lands great.

I have included a photo so you can see what this beast looks like.



Well guys that about wraps this edition of the newsletter up. Except for a few aviation quotes that I found and got a chuckle or two from. Hope you enjoy them.

1. Flying an airplane is no different than riding a bicycle. It's just a lot harder to put baseball cards in the spokes.
  2. Death is just nature's way of telling you to watch your speed.
  3. I never liked riding in helicopters because there's a fair probability that the bottom part will get going around as fast as the top part. See you at the field.
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