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## Coming Up In March and April

January 13<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting, 7:30pm, Bloomingdale Library

January 27<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting, 7:30pm, Bloomingdale Library

February 10<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting, 7:30pm, Bloomingdale Library

February 17<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting, 7:30pm Bloomingdale Library

## Farwell Lou!

Lou McDonald attended his last club meeting this month. Lou is moving away and we wish him all the best wherever he goes. Hopefully everything will be as good if not better for him as it was here in IL. We all want to thank Lou for all his tremendous support of the club over the years. Lou has helped many students learn to fly, always showed up to help at events and always had cheerful and amusing things

to say at the meetings. Lou had a Do-It-Yourself Swap Show at his warehouse in Elk Grove Village to shorten up his fleet for his move which was a success. Take it easy, Lou. We will miss you. On behalf of all the Suburban R/C Barnstormers Officers and Board, We wish you all the best and blue skies wherever you are.

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## Indoor R/C Flying

What a blast!! I think everyone who attended the past two indoor flights at the White Pine Gold Dome would agree that a great time was had by all. There were a few mid-air crashes, one of which made everyone's head turn. Let's say one survived and the other.....RIP. All in good fun though. No hard feelings!?! Everyone flew safely and we would like to extend our thanks to Jay and Mike at the White Pine Golf Dome for allowing us to throw sleep out the window and have a great time. In the words of Steve Dietrich, "Sleep is overrated!". Attached are a few photos of the misadventures of the Suburban R/C Barnstormers.

## Member Aircraft

**Ron Hilger** brought in a plane he built from 1968 Model Airplane News planes that was called a "Backyard Canard". Ron installed a GWS electric motor in this plane and wired it to run backwards, since it pushed rather than pulled.



**Scott Hurley** showed an improved version of the Pizza Box flyer. Among the improvements were a lighter/shorter fuselage

and wing stiffeners. The club will hold a make and take session for these Cool huh??



**Bob Elsner** showed off his new Great Planes Slow Poke ARF. He had read a couple of articles and reviews on the plane. The information from these he used to make several improvements. These included Saito 50 power, fuel proofing inside the fuselage, drain holes, and 1/4" tape over seams. Most significant was the removal of the tail post to allow the tail to be installed from the back rather than from the side.

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## NOTES OF BARNSTORMERS MEETING OF February 10, 2003

### ATTENDANCE

Thirty-one members were present including new member Rich Forsberg. Welcome Rich!

### OFFICER REPORTS

**President: John Howe** welcomed the membership and asked new comers to identify themselves. John also said raffle tickets for our April swap were available for members that hadn't gotten theirs. All other members would be mailed.

**Treasurer: Bob Elsner** reported a balance of \$2512 in our treasury and that all permits had been applied for. Also, our State of Illinois non-profit organization registration was submitted.

**Vice President: Scott Hurley** said they had explored renting a golf dome one evening during the week. He didn't have a firm price but thought the cost would be around \$100 for several hours. A number of members were

interested and he said he would get additional details.

**Secretary: Scott Taylor** said the newsletter was a little late but promised it would be worth the wait. Thanks again to Mike Bargman for taking on responsibility. Next month we will make sure it gets out a week earlier.

## COMMITTEES

**Fun Fly: No Report**

**Safety: No Report**

**Flight Instruction: Jim Scahill** said he plans to get back to basics with flight instruction this year. He will be certifying flight instructors and intends to be present to judge student solo performance. Jim showed the members the new solo certificate he will be awarding to all new pilots this year.

## OTHER

**Fuel Order: Bob Elsner** spoke to Cindy at Al's Hobbies and they are offering us a significant discount on fuel again this year. The price will be the same as last year, but there are three price levels depending on the number of cases ordered. Last year, we sold enough fuel to get the greatest discount. Fuel comes in cases of 4 gallons and we can purchase any mix of cases, but we cannot mix gallons within a case. More details will be in the newsletter.

**Health and Welfare: Jim Paroline** had heart bypass surgery on January 8th. The surgery went well and Jim is home and moving about. We expect to see him soon. Feel better soon, Jim!

**Do It Yourself Swap:** Lou McDonald planned to hold one more swap on February 15<sup>th</sup> before moving to Florida. The event will be over before these notes are published, but details were in the last newsletter. *The Suburban RC Officers and Board would like to thank Lou for his tremendous support of our club over the years. Lou has helped many students learn to fly, always showed up to help at events, and always had cheerful and amusing comments to make at our meetings. We will miss seeing Lou at our meetings but wish him well where he will now be flying year 'round.*

**RCHTA: Scott Taylor** passed along some information provided by **Hugo Mosquera** about this year's Remote Control Hobby Trade Association (RCHTA) show. Katherine Racine, RCHTA Show Director, had contacted Hugo. They are hoping to find an RC club to sponsor the Airplane Make and Take this year. Our club has done this in the past, but in the past two years we had not been contacted early enough to plan and organize manning the event. The last time we participated, we enlisted the help of the Lisle Aero club. At that time we split the \$300 payment received from RCHTA. If we were to do the same this year, RCHTA would pay each club \$300. There seemed to be enough interest in the event but it was agreed help would be needed. The Board will be making contacts for help.

## **PLANES**

**Keith Egging** brought in a couple of low cost electric powered planes that can be purchased at toy stores and discount stores such as Wall Mart and Target. Some of these planes can be modified for RC flight or the components used for other electric aircraft.

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**Jerry Jeske** brought in a plane he built that was similar to the SR Batteries QT (Cutie?). His was Cox .079 powered.

**Ron Hilger** brought in two planes for show. One was a 56" high wing Lithium Polymer electric he picked up at a swap show. The other was a plane he built from 1968 Model Airplane News planes that was called a "Backyard Canard". Ron installed a GWS electric motor in this plane and wired it to run backwards, since it pushed rather than pulled. **Scott Hurley showed** an improved version of the Pizza Box flyer. Among the improvements were a lighter/shorter fuselage and wing stiffeners.

## **ENTERTAINMENT**

**Scott Hurley** had prepared parts for a number of "Pizza Box" flyers, which we intended to build. However, the meeting ran long due to a number of interesting topics, so this was postponed until the next meeting.

## **RAFFLES**

There was no winner in the rollover raffle, but **Jim Scahill** took home the Hitec Multi Charger II door prize valued at \$90.

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## SWAP SHOP

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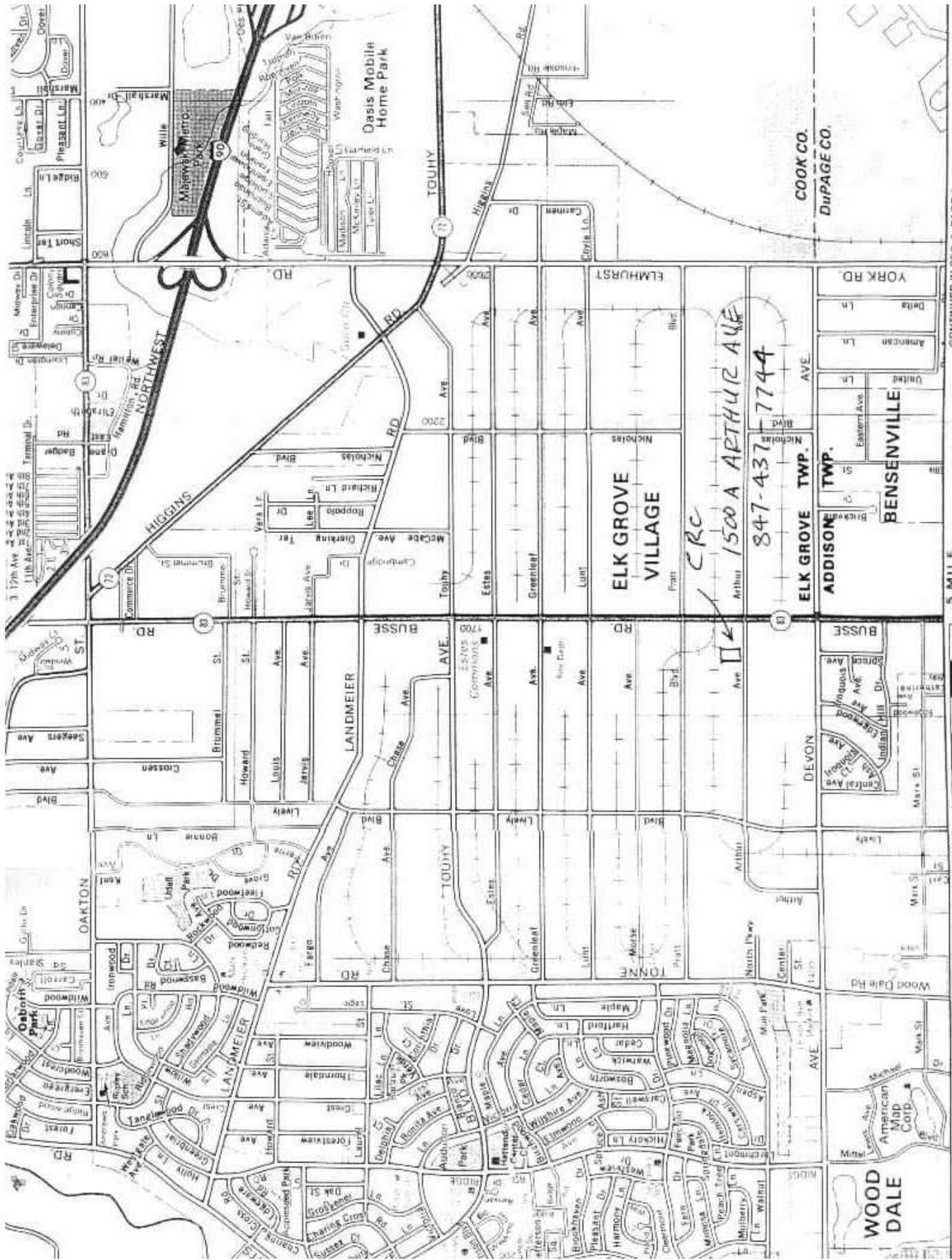
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