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## AGAIN, THE MASTER BUILDER...

Last month we saw some of the wiring diagrams and systems Jim Goodemote put in his current project, the Vought Corsair. This month we'll take a look at two of the warplane's hatches.

The top picture is labeled "*This hatch for switches and retract air*"

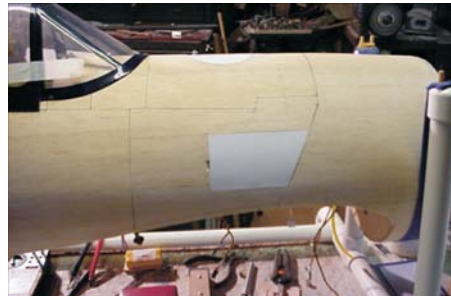
The second is labeled as "*top hatch contents*".

The third picture is "*side hatch for other switches*"

The bottom photo is labeled as "*side hatch contents*".

As I'm sure Jim would agree... this level of competence and expertise is only achieved the same way one gets to Carnegie Hall- "practice, practice, practice!"

Next month we'll take a final look at the Corsair, & see the wingfold mechanism and wing center section.



### CLUB BIO OF THE MONTH



This month's interview will take us to one of the newer members of the club, Denny Bleyker.

Denny has worked as a carpenter and as an offset printing press operator, the latter for 22 years. However, with the introduction of laser printing and computing, a lot of printers went out of business. This new technology reduces the time and cost of doing printing. Also, the advent of email and electronic media contributed to its demise. Denny has also worked at Crown Printing in Olean for about two years. After all this, he then got a CDL and drove truck for about a year.

Due to a job-caused disability, Denny is not involved in any other clubs or associations, and his other in-

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MODEL AVIATION PRINCIPLES 101: Truly superior pilots are those who use their superior judgment to avoid those situations where they might have to use their superior skills.

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terests and hobbies are very limited. However, at one time he snow skied, and also sky dived quite a bit in his early years.

What/who got Denny interested in flying? He grew up in Florida and was on the track team...running, and working out. Later on he went to California

and had a fight with his roommate, and lost! He then got back into fitness and running. While running out there, he saw R/C planes flying. After seeing a P-51 Mustang at an airpark he thought about getting into the hobby. He always felt

he was an artist/craftsman, and had done models as a kid. He modified a rubber band plane kit, and that got him hooked. He then bought a Snark RTF and began flying it. That one lasted about a week, the next about a month. The name of the kits out there were QBs for "Quick Built".

I asked Denny about his favorite plane to fly. "I love the Super Skybolt by Great Plains", he answered. He put the 70 O.S. in it and it flies scale...flies so perfect when up.

Denny relates his best flying experience to me: "There is nothing that jumps out at me, but I have good memories of Balboa Park in California. I was in my prime and those were the fondest of years. My skills were at their peak at that time."

And, like the rest of us, he also has a worst flying experience,



and that would have to be the dreaded mid-air collision. The most recent was at the Hamburg Park. "There were three of us in the air," he said. "We were all in the same East sky, I made a left turn in the pattern, came in low and the others were right there."

My next query was Denny's opinion on glow vs. electric flying. "I like the power of the glow, especially the 4-stroke," he said.

"Well, it's not real. I'm a scale pilot," he said of 3D flying. "Now you get into it being

a toy...it's just not real. I've always flown scale."

Denny feels he is a good craftsman. "I have a high level of mechanical aptitude."

His advice for the rookie/newbie pilot: "Build an airplane. That's the best advice for anyone...just build one. You get a better understanding of the plane. Most of the booklets are self explanatory, and you develop a good knowledge of both airfoil and the control surfaces. You'll be a better pilot and be able to maintain it by building one."

Until next month-*Jim*

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# More Pictures of Winter Party fun!



## STARS

**Minutes of the General Meeting of: 02/10/10**

### Attendance:

Gary Baker, Dewey Barron, Jamie Bowen, Bob Bush, Clark Follett, Dick Say, Ed Flicker, Brad Davis, Dave Pratt, Gary Fitch, Jim Goodemote, Keith Miller, Dan Razey, Gene Hickey, Randy Bittinger

Motion to accept January's meeting minutes by Gary F. seconded by Dick S. All were in favor.

### Treasurers Report:

Nothing to report.

### General:

Gary F. spoke about recent club member correspondences during the past

month and wanted to communicate to the group present that experienced club members are only trying to act in the best interest of the club. Let's just have fun again.

### Membership:

Motion by Ed F. to have Keith Miller as an honorary member and seconded by Gary B. all were in favor.

### Website:

Bob B. reported more activity has been taking place on the web. Winter party pictures have been posted. Added a pilot's page for Dan R. Club Yak-6 project has also been posted.

### Rally:

Trans-AM is once again willing to have an ambulance

available for the Rally but we will need to obtain a volunteer or pay for a paramedic. It was noted Ida H. has a nursing licensing and maybe the club could request her services. Olean may also be able to supply an ambulance. Ed F. volunteered to check and see if Olean could supply this service.

Camping fee - During the past few weeks it was noted Rally pilots felt an increase in camping fees is something the club should reconsider. Ed F. asked members present if someone could explain why we charged campers in the first place. After several discussions, it was identified the campers have typically used the services of the dumpsters and

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**HAVE YOU EVER... LANDED YOUR PLANE TO FIND YOUR MUFFLER HANGING ON ONLY BY THE FUEL PRESSURE LINE?!?**



*"Both optimists and pessimists contribute to society.  
The optimist invents the airplane; the pessimist the parachute."  
George Bernard Shaw*

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felt this would be a way to help offset the cost, being as campers usually had more trash than a typical spectator. Dick S. suggested camping fees should be setback to \$10 per camper, and raise parking fee an additional dollar. Gary F. said other clubs do not have a camping fee. Ed F. also said we depend on fliers and spectators to make this event happen. Suggest we leave the fees the same and make this up on the food tent. Motion by Gary B. to remove the camping fees altogether second by Dewey B. all were in favor. Dave P. volunteered to mail previous Rally pilots the news about free camping. Dave P. also stated Lee Pirby was willing to obtain food for the event and will check on prices. Randy B. suggested the possibility that each person is charged \$5. Then if a pilot registers, the \$5 fee would be refunded. Randy B. once again volunteered to work the flight line.

#### **Cuba Gym:**

Dave P. reported Mike Pilon

came to the gym and had interest in our club.

#### **Pavilion:**

Dave P. reported Jim K. had a quote for \$2800 to pour and brush the floor.

Gene H. also reported a quote for \$2300 to pour and brush the floor.

Gene said two pours of 4000# mix at \$114/yard for around \$1200 could also be achieved if several club members could help with the pour. Gene was also willing to have some of his business workers help as well. Several members volunteered to help pour the floor. Dave P. reported on behalf of Jim K. that the club would not require a building permit. Keith M. suggested additional forms be made where we want to level the mower deck as we may have extra concrete from the floor pour. Motion by Dick S. to have club pour the floor seconded Dewey B. all were in favor. Ed F. said at one point garage doors would be installed and possibly have panels that could swing out. Brad D. suggested the pavilion be lockable so members could leave

their planes. Keith M. suggested we install poly-film type roll-up sides as another possible option to consider.

#### **Club Project:**

Russian Yak-6 twin electric Dick S. brought a hard copy of the plans made by Staples. Bob B. also provided CD's in which to take to Staples to have them print you a set of full size plans for \$20. Dick reported the plane can be built in modular sections and will be taking photo's and posting on web.

#### **Winter Party:**

Expense and profit was discussed.

#### **President's Corner:**

Dave P. suggested we should have an open house for spectators and beginners. Randy B. said Bradford has an outdoor show at the mall in two weeks and maybe we could display our planes. Typically in the past, this event has drawn 3-4,000 spectators. Keith M. suggested schools and colleges could be contacted like science teachers to tell them

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about our club. Challenger learning space center is also another possibility. Dick S. suggested we contact BO-CES and have them advertised on local channel 6 news. Keith M. volunteered to

draft a letter and send to area schools. Walt H. is in the process of redesigning the open house poster. Gary F. also suggested we contact

human resource departments at companies like

Dan R. presented his FRB 600 scat cat made in late 80's to early 90's.



*It sounds like the club project is coming along quite well. Dick Say is an invaluable asset to our club- thanks for all your efforts Dick!*

**Meetings:**  
Next Regular STARS general meeting will be at JCC, March 10th starting @ 7:00PM. The next planning meeting is 2.22 at Kip's house at 7:PM.

Dresser-Rand so new and existing employees are aware of our club.

**Show and Tell:**

A motion to adjourn was made by Gary B. and seconded by Brad D. All were in favor.

# FROM THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR'S DESK...



It's another month of big "thank yous" from me. Thank heavens I have you fellas- you keep this job interesting and fun!

Thank you Jim K., not only for your excellent club bios that keep coming every month, but also for taking so many (and so well-done) photos at the Winter Party.

Jamie, as always... great job on the minutes (and I know Clark F. appreciates it too!- thanks for filling in, Clark).

Jim G.- I've enjoyed your Corsair pictures. We'll finish up the series next month; unless you have more pictures you can send- (hint, hint, hint).

I'll be looking forward to seeing many of you this month. As I've done the past two years, I'll be coming to the March meeting.

And... thanks to so many of you who asked about Ruthie. She had a successful operation, and the doctor says she's be fine after six to eight weeks of recuperation.

until next month then... *Tad*

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Next Regular Meeting @ JCC  
Olean, Wednesday, March 10th

Next Planning Meeting @ Jamie  
Bowen's house, Monday, March  
29th, 7:00PM

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