

Upper Valley Fun Fliers
May 2009www.uvffpiqua.comAMA
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may be submitted to
doyle@uvffpiqua.com**Next Meeting is**June 1st meeting will be held
at our field**Upcoming Events**On May 30th will be a Friends
Of Flight Picnic and fly in at
our field. Come out and join
the fun!**From The Flight Line****May 2009 Meeting Notes**

The May 4th meeting was called to order, roll call taken, and April minutes read. Jim Crowell made a motion to accept the minutes; seconded by Lee Vestal. Motion passed. 16 members were in attendance.

The Treasurer made his report and the Safety Officer reminded us to fly within the boundaries.

After a discussion on whether or not to allow alcohol at the field, it was decided to allow it only after dark and zero tolerance on the field during daytime. Also to post a sign saying "Visitors welcome during daylight hours. No trespassing after dark." We will not change the by-laws.

Ken Henkaline will notify Pat Jenkins before Terry Hahn practices at the field using fireworks.

Todd Walker suggests bigger planes set up further east on the field in an effort to help eliminate flying over the road. Joe Hahn suggested making up a map with "Fly" and "NO Fly" zones.

Terry Hahn suggested allowing members to vote on line on important issues. Ballots could be attached to the newsletters. Also e-mail "meeting" reminders a couple days in advance.

Joe Hahn reported he received the sanction for our Fun Fly. Sat. May 30th is our Friends of Flight and Spring Picnic. Everyone should bring a covered dish, a 6 pack of soda or water or ice tea, and a package of hamburger buns. Lee Vestal will get the chicken and Pat and Duaine Campbell the hamburgers.

May 24th is a Fun Fly at Marysville, Ohio on Springdale Rd. On Monday June 8th some of our members will put on a demonstration at the Poor Farmers Campground from 12:15 to 1:00. We are in need of a few more pilots. Set up is around 11:00. Contact Lee Vestal if interested.

Lee Vestal told us about the Midwest region of *Angel Flight*. A group of volunteers that provide transportation for sick children to get their needed surgeries or treatments. He suggested we incorporate a collection to help this organization at our Fun Fly. The members agreed.

Daryl Grossnickle made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Ken Henkaline. Meeting was adjourned.

Special Note

Starting this month members who have registered on our website will receive email reminders of club meetings and other club events. If you have not registered on the web site please do so to receive these reminders. If you have any trouble with or logging on to the website please contact Doyle directly at doyle@uvffpiqua.com.

Flying Field News

Below are photos of Joe Hahn rolling the field and another photo of the mighty fence builders.

Help with the Website

If you would like to submit photos for the Photo Gallery please email them to doyle@uvffpiqua.com. Please put "Photos for Gallery" in the subject and note which gallery you think they will fit in best. You may also include captions for each photo. If there is a photo in the gallery without a caption and you have one let me know, I have photos from over the span of 5 years and I cannot remember them all! See the full Gallery at photos.uvffpiqua.com

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time the newsletter saw
Three Pages!**

**Do you have a story you
would like to share?**

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A Day With Don

By Doyle Stradling

On a recent beautiful spring day I got a chance to spend some time with a remarkable man and long time RC pilot and builder. We talked about various subjects including dancing, Piqua area flying clubs histories and how he was dealing with the conversion to electric from small glow engines.

We chatted as he flew his well used powered sailplane and I sunburned. He told me stories about 1 channel RC, once to go left, twice to go right, I would have crashed a lot of planes in those days! And he talked about his children and I could tell how proud he was of them. We even bantered a bit about politics and complained about the crosswind.

I learned a lot that day about the history of the hobby and our club. I learned a few pointers about flying and I learned a bit about Don, and I am glad to call him my friend.

The flying field is about more than just flying, it is about good times and good friends. It is about helping others and finding help when you need it! Sometimes it just about BSing and getting sunburned.



**See you at the field!
(Bring sunscreen!)**