



## Westside RC Newsletter

### August 2022

Flying Field Location :420 W Wagner Rd, Yukon, OK  
73099 Membership Meetings on the second Monday of  
each month at the flying field in the warm months as  
announced in the cold months



I was lucky enough to see this model in the  
UK. It has 8 jet engines – It flew a few  
successful flights, but, I heard that the crash  
was spactular and started a grass fire.  
Fortunately, the fire truck was standing by.

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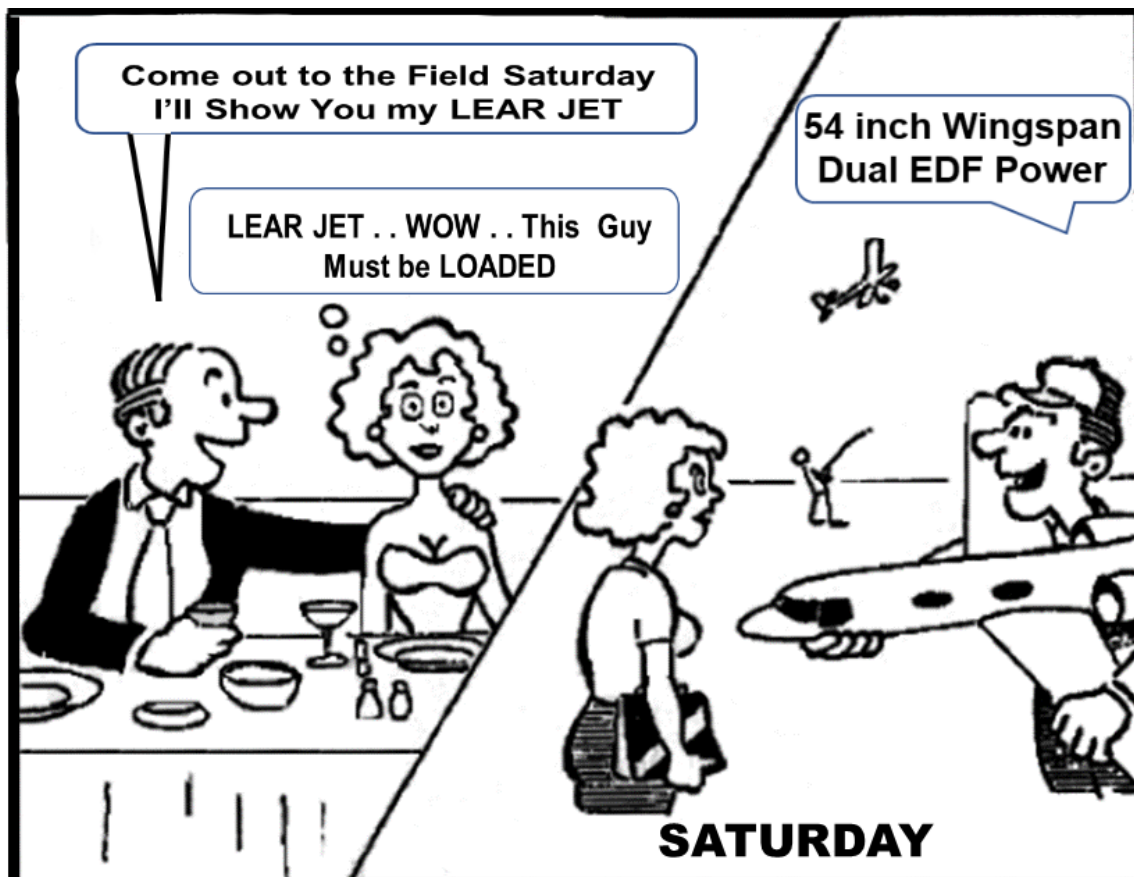
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### RC Humor



# **President's Notes**

Keith Gorrell

The August meeting turnout was about the same as the other meetings this summer, not large. The weather wasn't bad not too hot, and the wind light. Three of us, including a new student, managed to get quite a few flights in before and after the meeting. The new club trainer was utilized and made numerous circuits before darkness stopped the flying. Thanks to Tyler for helping with training.

As a reminder the AMA has announced dues are increasing next year. Dues are going up to \$85.00 for Adult and \$75 for Senior. They are again offering a multiyear discount for dues paid in advanced. More information can be found on the AMA website.

On August 28<sup>th</sup> the club will be holding a Fun Fly for members. We will be starting around noon. We also plan on having some pylon races that day. The idea is to be racing flite test bloody wonders and bloody barons, but if you have a different plane you want to try racing bring it out and give it a go. It is a lot of fun. We will be burning hot dogs so come on out and have one. Let me know if you have any questions about the racing.

On September 24<sup>th</sup> the club will be hold it S.A.D. event. This hasn't been done in the last couple of years due to Covid but it is time to bring it back. For those who don't know S.A.D. stands for scale aviation day. The idea is to bring your scale/semi-scale models of civilian or military aircraft out and fly. The only requirement scale requirement on the aircraft is that it must be a model of an actual aircraft. All field rules are in effect for the event, i.e. no engines larger than 55cc permitted. Watch for flyers on the forum and club Facebook page.

The last item to bring up, please make sure you pick up all your equipment and trash when you leave the field. Please make sure if you have an incident on the field, try and get all the pieces picked up. Anything left could damage a mower or someone's aircraft. Thanks.

That's it for this month. Hope to see you at the field and the next meeting.

Keith

## **From the Vice President**

Clayton Crabtree

We have a few events on the calendar.

August 28<sup>th</sup> Westside R/C Flyers Club Fun Fly. Flying starts at noon. Electric Pylon racing scheduled. Bring your foamy out and join the fun. Watch for an email with additional information.

Tulsa Glue Dobbers War Birds over Tulsa September 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>.

Collective R/C Flyers 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Heli Fun Fly September 10<sup>th</sup>.

Westside R/C Flyer Scale Aviation Day September 24<sup>th</sup>.

Event Flyers can be found at the end of the newsletter.

## **From the Treasurer**

James Thomas

Westside has added one returning and one new member in the past month, bringing our total membership up to 46 for this year.

As always, if any of your contact information has changed, please reach out via email at [westsidercyukon@gmail.com](mailto:westsidercyukon@gmail.com) and let me know your new details so that we can keep our club records up-to-date.

Thanks! James

## From the Safety Officer

Tyler Young

This month we have a club member submitting the safety discussion.

August 2022 Model Aviation magazine had a great article to read  
“ELECTRIC FUNERAL: DISPOSING OF YOUR LIPO BATTERIES” ...  
Great read, if you have time check it out!

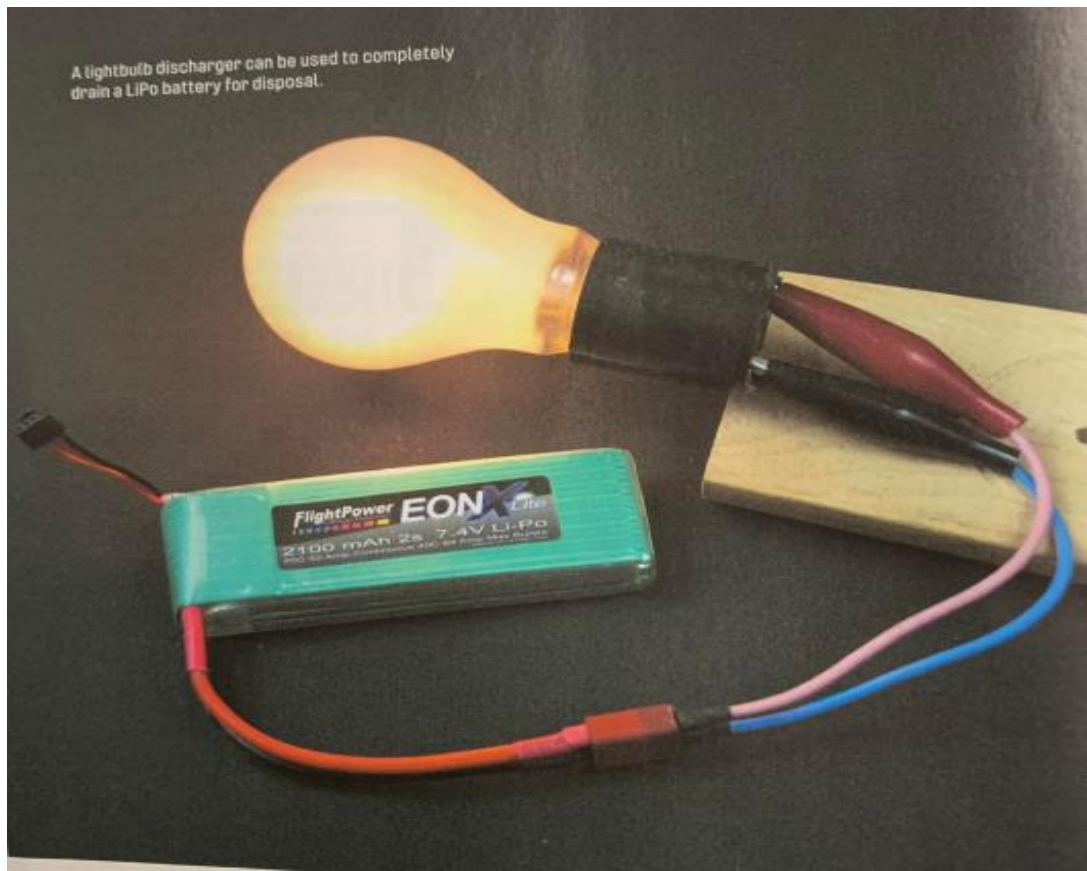
From the newest of RC hobbyist to the most experienced RC pilot this quick read offers us all a friendly reminder how to properly dispose of your LIPO battery after it's been damaged or been deemed bad for whatever reason.

What will you do with your LIPO battery after a crash and battery shows signs of physical damage, over discharging, swelling, puffing or any other reason battery may be deemed bad?

Quickest solution is to drop the defective battery off at Lowes or Home Depot into their battery recycling metal bin. That's it, you're done!



Secondly you can discharge LIPO battery and dispose with your normal household trash. This solution takes a little more effort but still an easy way to safely dispose of any LIPO battery. (youtube.com has several good videos on “HOW TO” properly discharge LIPO battery if needed or contact a club member.)



### **Last couple thoughts...**

If your LIPO battery pack is visibly damaged, it is recommend discontinuing use, even if it is still holding voltage. The internal components are likely compromised. One more hard hit (or even just charging) could be the final straw that causes the battery pack to short out and cause a potential fire.

Whatever you choose to do PLEASE never dispose of a LIPO battery that still has a charge of any kind into the trash. The battery can short out and cause a fire potentially causing damage to someone or something.

**Safety First!**

Mike Hankins – Westside RC Flyers Club Member



## From the Field Marshal

Kip Rackley

Guys here's a recap of my August officers report:

It was discussed that due to the extreme heat and limited rainfall we have elected to skip several weeks of mowing. On the positive side the heat has killed the clover and is also limiting wear and tear on the club's equipment not to mention the money we've saved on gas!



The back ordered materials will be available in the next few weeks for our road sign that Dick Russ and Ron Brown have worked on.

I mentioned that we could have a work party in mid-September once the temperatures cool off. I'll get with the board to talk about a date that doesn't interfere with other functions.

# **For Sale by Members**

Please list

your Name to be used when contacted by a potential buyer

a brief description of the item for sale

the sale price

your contact information

a photo if you have one in .pdf or MS PP format

You must relist each month you wish it to be included in the newsletter

Send this direct to the newsletter editor email: [jimkale@pldi.net](mailto:jimkale@pldi.net)

The subject of your email: WESTSIDE RC NL FOR SALE

As a Senior Citizen, I will do my best, however, I will likely not remember your name on the email. When it is published depends on when I find the email, when I compos the NL, and when I submit the NL to the President. He is the final NL approval authority; he forwards it to the membership.

## **LAUGH OR CRY – REAL ACCIDENTS**

I am not trying to take over the SAFETY OFFICER position

There is some value in reading these accounts

Editors note: I saved these stories from the -now defunct- **RC MODELER MAGAZINE** safety column a long time ago. So long ago that they were in MS OFFICE 95 format, which is no longer supported by Microsoft. I spent some time figuring out how to get them re-formatted to put in the NL. This is a real-life accident. Laugh or cry, you decide

**True Passion:** A man and his wife were flying separate airplanes at the same time. His wife's model went dead-stick and he began talking her in for a landing. He totally forgot he was flying his own airplane until he heard an engine stop abruptly upon impact.



# **Warbirds Over Tulsa 2022**

**Sept. 9-10-11, 2022**

**AMA sanction 13197**

**Grant Wilson Field,**

**2817 South Lynn Lane, Tulsa, Okla**

**\$20 Landing fee AMA required for all pilots**

**All Warplanes of any era welcome**

**Classic aircraft, prior to 1945 welcome, as well**

**All powerplants, including turbine**

**Lunch available for donation, Friday and Saturday.**

**Electric outlets available**

**Spectators welcome**



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# 13th Annual Heli Fun Fly



**When: September 10th at 10:00 a.m.**

**Where: Collective R/C Field**

6500 SW 15th St.  
OKC, OK 73128

**Landing fee: \$20 - Lunch will be available for purchase**

Donations accepted and appreciated! All proceeds will benefit the c

Everyone is welcome - fly what you bring.





# Scale Aviation Day

**September 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Bring your scale civilian or military aircraft and  
spend the day flying with us.**



**Park flyers to Giant Scale**

**Gas engine size limited to 55CC**

**650'X150' Grass Runway**

**Lunch Provided for Pilots**

**No Landing Fee - Donations Appreciated**

**Hollman Field 420 W. Wagner Rd. Yukon, OK**

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