



Westside RC Newsletter January 2023

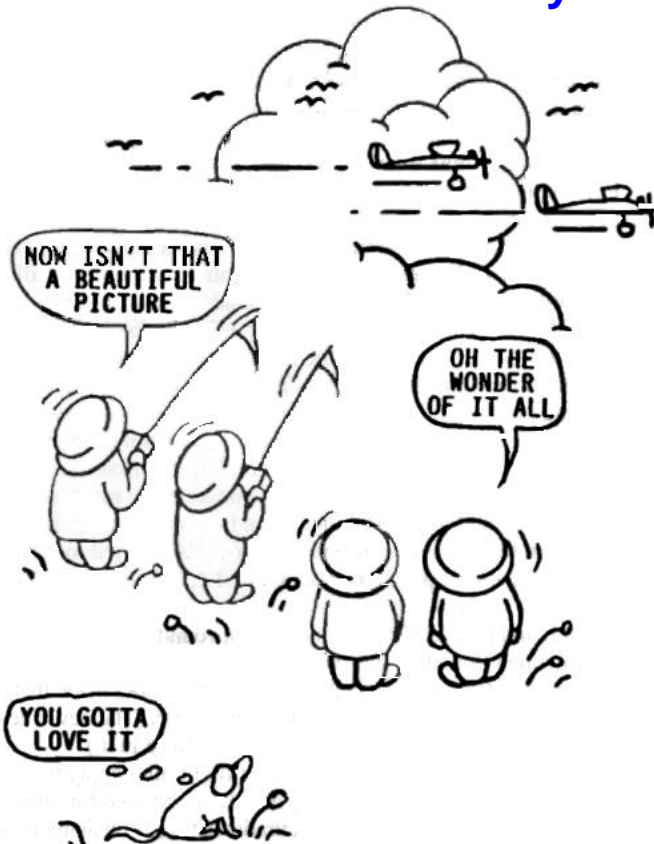
Flying Field Location :420 W Wagner Rd, Yukon, OK
73099 Membership Meetings on the second Monday of
each month at the flying field in the warm months.
Location as announced in the cold months

Next Meeting

Next Meeting
February 13 7:00 PM
Resurrection Lutheran Church
675 W. Vandament Ave.
Yukon

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The Jan 1 Chili Fly



Model Engine Demonstration:

A modeler started an engine on a test stand and began pointing out features to a non-modeler friend. While he was pointing, he stuck his finger through the prop arc-. . . Ouch! Trying to stop the engine by disconnecting the fuel line, he somehow got his knuckle in the arc. 'Nuff said.

NL Editor. . . . Laugh or Cry Safety Comment From
the old RC MODELER magazine safety column

President's Notes

Keith Gorrell

Happy New Year! Hope you enjoyed the holiday season. The 2023 flying season at Westside started out in a great way on New Years Day. The weather was great, warm temperature and winds that behaved themselves. We had 19 members come out for flying and chili, the best turnout we have had in years. 13 members got their first flight of the year in.

Not only did we have a good turn out for the Chili Fly, but the January meeting also had a good turnout. We had 12 members in attendance and one guest who has since joined.

Here are a few of the items discussed at the meeting.

We are planning on more club events for the year. We will be having Fun Fly's, a Night Fly, Scale Aviation Day, the Black Friday Swap Shop and we will be working on having some pylon racing too. Watch for more information in the future.

As discussed at the last meeting and in the December newsletter, there was a vote on changes to the club bylaws, which passed. The biggest change was adding the ability to hold club votes by email. This change will help the club to be able to react to issues in a timely fashion. The updated bylaws have been posted on the forum welcome page under the PayPal join section. Make sure you review them when you have a chance to help you better understand how the club operates.

We also discussed the FRIA (FAA Recognized Identification Area) program and where the club stands in the process of getting approval. The AMA has requested information and a contact from each club to help in getting FAA approval for our flying site. The information has been submitted and we are waiting to see what the next steps will be. I will keep everyone posted.

Ron Brown, Kelsey Doughty and yours truly received recognition for obtaining the All Season Flyer recognition for 2022. This was the third year in a row for Ron and Kelsey. A big thank you to Kip for the making the nice plaques. We have started again for this year. I know quite a few people already have a flight in on the 1st. Just go to the forum and list your flight for the month under the All Season Flyer post and that starts the process.

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

From the Vice President

Tyler Young

As we get into 2023 I find myself back in the Vice Presidents spot. Not a ton of stuff going on this time of year. I will try to keep you guys up to date on everything going on. If you see or hear of anything don't hesitate to send it to me. My email is quailplazabarbershop@yahoo.com and I will get it out to the club. I will list the events that I am aware of at the end of the newsletter.

Happy flying

Jan 21 – Shawnee Thunderbirds Swap Meet 1319 Westlawn Lane
Prague OK 74864

Feb 18 TRCFC Swap Meet 2905 Leopard Dr. Texarkana TX
Liberty- Eylau High School

March 30 - April 2nd Fly the River 23860 N 29410 Rd Terrell OK 73569

May 13th Mike Pennell Memorial Fly-in 2817 S 177th East Ave Tulsa OK 74134

From the Treasurer

James Thomas

I am excited to announce that we have had a great start to the New Year with 28 members already signed up. Remember to tell your friends that the additional \$10 penalty on renewals begins in February. Also, going forward we will no longer be mailing membership cards. Instead I will send a text message to each renewing member with the new gate code and a picture of your card. Your physical card will be locked inside the frequency box at the field. On your first visit of the New Year please retrieve your physical card from the box.

If any of your contact info has changed, please send me an update email to: westsidercyukon@gmail.com

On the treasury side, our club funds have seen a boost from the new dues and recent swap meets, putting us in a strong position to make some important purchases this spring. We are planning to invest in a shipping container to keep our equipment safe and organized, as well as a new mower to ensure we can reliably and more easily maintain the field in top condition. I would like to thank our members for their continued support, and I look forward to another successful year for our club.

From the Field Marshal

Kip Rackley

Fellow Westside Members, just an update for those that were unable to attend the January '23 club meeting. I basically recapped several projects that are in the works. Here is the short update on the list of projects underway:

- ***Spring cleaning in the winter??***

Well first I'm typically late on getting things started or maybe it's just the fact the weather is so warm that I'm getting things completed that I planned to get accomplished next Spring. Of course, I'm sticking with that latter statement!! The smaller storage shed has been cleaned up and some new tubs were purchased to project our club's items for the future. We also put down mouse / rat killer in case those pesky guys want to come back for dinner!



The big steel mower shed went through phase one of a serious makeover on January 6th but much more needs to be accomplished to bring it up to par with the smaller shed. I'll report next month on the success / failures of that endeavor!

- ***WSRC Field Equipment / Mowers***

During the weekend of the 15th the mowers will have the batteries removed and they'll be put into hibernation for a few months. During this time new front wheels will be purchased and installed on the craftsman mower. Also, the building will have poisons put down like the other shed so we can fend off the little guys from dining on the mowers electrical systems, they wouldn't do that would they?

- ***'23 Field Repairs / Upgrades***

More on this topic over the next few months, stay tuned!

INTRODUCING THE NEW CLUB SAFETY OFFICER

Mike Hankins

Hello to each and everyone of you that is taking a few moments to read our 1st 2023 Westside RC Flyers newsletter!

As your 2023 Safety officer I would like to THANK YOU for the votes, trust and confidence in me as your safety coordinator for the upcoming 2023 season!

First and foremost, I would like to say JOB WELL DONE to Tyler Young for serving so well as our Safety Officer for the last couple of years and now Vice President! WSRCF has become a safer club because of Tyler and his excellent leadership in safety. Again, great job and from the entire club membership THANK YOU for the countless hours you severed to better our club!

Secondly, I would like to share a few details and information about myself, Mike Hankins.

Getting to know your 2023 safety officer...- Married to Tammy for 34 years, 5 kids, 4 grandkids and countless foster kids and babies over the years.

- Hobbies include fishing, motorcycle drag racing and of course flying RC planes and helicopters!

- Owner of Mike's Appliance Repair... you'll often see my white van at flying field.

- Live in Mustang, Oklahoma

Please feel free to SCAN below QR code or manually add below contact information in your cell phone and text, call or email me anytime.



Contact Information

For Sale by Members

Please list

your Name to be used when contacted by a potential buyer

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 remind me to relist each month

Send this direct to the newsletter editor email: 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 and he forwards it to the membership.

FOR SALE ITEMS

T45 Goshawk 45" (90mm EDF) \$425

This has a fiberglass fuselage with built-up balsa wings, electric retracts, pilot and 20 channel receiver. It comes with two HRB 6S 5000mA batteries and the plane has never been flown.

Desert Aircraft DA-100 \$500

Picture is an example only. Motor will come from Extra 260 as I will part out.

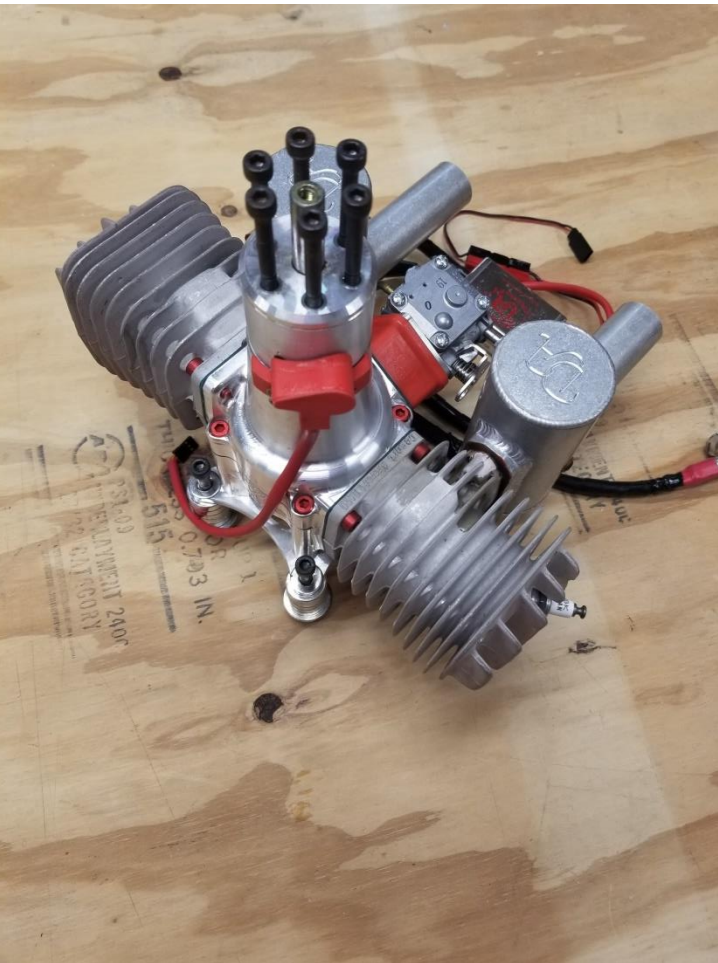
Pilot Extra 260 107" \$2000 As seen in picture.

If you're interested, please give me a call and I will try and answer any questions you may have. **Phillip Owens**

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If you're interested in fuel reach out to Kip L84golf@cox.net or by that really new cell phone technology (405) 202-7357



Fellow Westside Members,

I purchased several (16) gallons of Morgan Fuels Cool Power GLO fuel today and wanted to make the extra available for all WSRC members. The pricing I'm offering isn't that much better than buying from the local shop (which I did in bulk) but I thought this would save all a 45-minute trip) I have invested \$7.89 per quart of fuel. Do the math yourself on local pricing but the listing below is what I'm selling it for! I'm not making a fortune on this purchase as you'll find out yourself with a phone call or two, Thanks!

Option 1: The price for 1 Quart jugs is **\$8.50** each...You'll get a small break if you purchase 4 quarts at one time or one gallon. Since they're in Quart containers it will be better for long term storage plus you get all those cool jugs!!

Option 2: The price for 1 Gallon is **\$32.00** which will be in (4) Quart jugs

Fuel Manufacturer: Morgan Fuels

Type: Cool Power

Nitro Content: 15%

Oil content: 17%

From the Safety Officer
Mike Hankins

Annual Chili Fun Fly Almost Ended Badly for the Extra 300!

It's way too easy to ignore your pre-flight check list especially after your last successful flight went "just fine".

After eating chili and tummy full I completed a quick pre-flight inspection, took off and quickly heard the prop vibrate and plane was hard to control. Brought the Extra 300 down safely as it headed towards the fence line and stopped. After inspecting the plane, it was totally fine but then I thought to myself as I was walking back... I did a pre-flight inspection, but I failed to run the motor and prop at a high speed for a couple seconds to test so in fact I failed to properly do my pre-flight check list and was in a hurry to get flying.

Truth be told many of us have probably been in a similar situation. Self-check for myself, complete a pre-flight check list properly without getting in a hurry.

Extra 300 wood prop cracked... looked fine on one side but cracked on the other side.

Have YOU had a similar experience or does this story remind you of something that happened to you in the past? [Email](#) me and share your story so we all can learn from each other and spend less time repairing and more time flying in 2023!

Looking forward to your story and well share in one of our future newsletters!

2023 Safety Officer
Mike Hankins

Ignoring your Pre-Flight Checklist could cost YOU time and money!

- seconds now can save you hours later
- save money
- reduce risk
- increase safety
- uncover surprises early



Make Pre-Flight Checklist a Priority

OH SAY CAN YOU SEE YOUR AIRPLANE

Information in this article is from a modeler friend who is an Optometrist
and has made a study of how visible different colors are

If you are a modeler who builds airplanes . . . you will soon be faced with the age-old question about "What color should your new creation be?" If this is a scale representation of a full-scale airplane, then the color scheme is predetermined. Some builders, though, want a really snazzy looking airplane, then the color is chosen more on the basis of aesthetics rather than visibility.

However, if our eyes aren't quite as good as they used to be, then the color needs to be such that you and the others also flying can see it better. The following colors are listed here –from top to bottom -- to indicate the colors that are easiest to see when watching your model.

Luminous Orange	100 Percent
White	90 Percent
Light Yellow	80 Percent
Light Orange	75 Percent
Dark Yellow	70 Percent
Light Grey	66 Percent
Light Blue	60 Percent
Light Red	58 Percent
Light Brown	55 Percent
Light Green	51 Percent
Dark Grey	51 Percent
Dark Red	50 Percent
Dark Blue	50 Percent
Dark Brown	50 Percent
Any Black	50 Percent

What does all this mean to modelers? It means that International (luminous) Orange is the most visible under most light conditions, The disclaimer is that there is always the possibility of unusual backgrounds that could change how we see things.

Many of us modelers these days get foamy airplanes to avoid all the tedious building process. It might be wise to consider spraying some luminous ORANGE colors on the bottom of the wings. **WARNING:** Be sure to dab a paint sample in a safe area to make sure it won't melt the foam before spraying it on the model
Us modelers shouldn't cry.