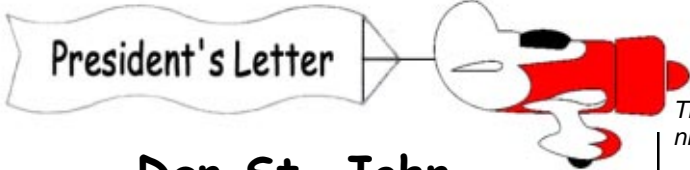




Rocky Mountain Modelers

Merry CHRISTMAS

Smooth Landings
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President's Letter

Dan St. John

Well, this is it, my final column. It is hard to believe that it has been two years since I took over from Fred Damm. It has been an honor to serve as president of the club, and I enjoyed it. I do have to admit that I am looking forward to getting back in the shop and finishing my Dauphin helicopter model, plus a couple of others I have waiting for me.

I know Jim Brink will do a great job as president. With his background as an educator, he will keep us all in line. I just hope he doesn't start making us go to detention if we are late to a meeting!

See ya at the field,

Dan

Merry Christmas!

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**Just Soloed:
Bo Viger
Congratulations!**

Editor's Column

17 ways to kill your club

The following list was obtained from a leading national community service organization. We can all learn from it.

1. Don't attend meetings, but if you do, arrive late.
2. Be sure to leave before the meeting is over and make sure everyone hears you leave.
3. At the meeting sit in the back so you can talk with other members.
4. Never have anything to say at meetings; wait until you get outside, then always be negative.
5. After meetings, find fault with club officers and fellow members.
6. Hold back your annual dues as long as possible, or better yet, don't pay at all.
7. Never accept an office or serve on a committee. It is much easier to criticize than to do.
8. When everything else fails, abuse the club's officers.
9. Don't bother enlisting new members; let the others do it all.
10. At meetings, agree to everything, then go home and do nothing.
11. Don't tell the club how its policy can help you, but if it doesn't help you, tell everyone else it's useless.
12. Do nothing more than what's necessary, but when other members roll up their sleeves and willingly use their ability to help matters along, complain that the club is being run by a clique or dictator.
13. Talk cooperation but never cooperate.
14. Threaten to leave the club if something isn't the way you want it.
15. If you're asked to help, always say you don't have time.
16. Never read any mailings or seek information. You might find out what's going on.
17. If appointed to a position, never devote any time to it. Let someone else do it all.

from *Smoke Signals* - Meroke Radio Control Club
Joe Di Prima, editor - Franklin Square, NY

Next Meeting -- December 7th, 7:00 P.M. at Jax's Conf. Room

Minutes of the November Meeting



Minutes of Monthly Meeting

Rocky Mountain Modeleers
November 2, 2004

Jax Conference Room, 1200 North College Ave, Fort Collins 80524

President Dan St. John called 14 members to order at 7:00pm.

Announcements:

1. Garret Hultgren's stellar efforts as the new newsletter editor were applauded by several members.
2. The Portalet at Modeleers Field will be cleaned and locked down for the winter season soon.
3. Fred Damm noted that the Longmont auction will be held on Saturday, November 6.
4. Clint Hultgren announced that the Rocky Mountain Aeromodeling Exhibition will be held Saturday, November 20, at the Wings Over the Rockies Air and Space Museum (7711 East Academy Boulevard, Denver, on the former Lowry AFB) from 10:00am - 5:00pm.

Treasurer's Report: Loren Deines reported that the club checking account balance is \$1938. Dan noted that the balance will rise soon as annual club fees start to come in. Loren's report was approved.

Minutes for October were approved.

Old Business:

1. No recent information was available on visitor Don Hoag's recovery from a recent finger-in-prop accident. (Secretary's note: Don relayed this information recently: "The hand is not too bad. The index finger is still swollen and very stiff, but I am hoping to get my hand in mittens in time for the ski season.")
2. Name tags are now available for \$6.25 each from Craft Trophy (202 Air Park Dr., Fort Collins, 482-1158), thanks to Vice President Bill Tuttle's efforts.
3. Fred Damm reported that cross braces for the shade structure at Modeleers Field are now installed for a mere \$30.

New Business:

1. Officer nominations: Jim Brink agreed to stand for the office of club president. John Streit and Ken Gillpatrick were nominated for treasurer. (Bill Tuttle and Dave Sampson agreed to serve again as vice president and secretary, unless members come to their senses.)
2. We discussed editorial policy for the club website and newsletter. Members agreed with Fred Damm, who noted the club's need to control what is posted on the website. As an example, Fred cited a recent post (noted in the September minutes) that was inappropriately critical of the club president. We agreed that editorial control resides with the webmaster, with final authority held by the club Executive Committee. The same line of control applies to content of the newsletter through its editor. An additional issue raised was whether the club needs a procedure to reprimand members short of dismissal. These issues were tabled until club officers draft written policy on these matters for approval by the membership.
3. Jerry Roesch is selling his LT-40 trainer, complete with engine, radio and field supplies for \$300. Jerry is "getting out

of the slimer business" (as Tom Keller so graphically put it) in favor of electrics, which he can fly closer to home as he cares for his ailing wife.

4. Improvements to Modeleers Field: The windsock has gone belly-up, and must be replaced. Members approved a sealant for the runway, which Bob Hultgren noted is on sale at Home Depot. Carl Cary, under duress, volunteered to expedite this. Jim Brink wondered if a picnic table might be available from some member.
5. Karl Hill has stepped down as club historian.

Show & Tell :

1. Clint Hultgren presented an outstanding slide show of the club's 50th anniversary event, complete with music by Aaron Tippin.
2. Greg St. John reported on his acquisition of a Composite-ARF 2.6m Extra 330 that he plans to power with a BME 110 Extreme. This 30% aircraft is described on the manufacturer's website as "the best flying IMAC airplane on the market." See the following websites for more information: <http://www.composite-arf.co.uk/Other/2.6mExtramannual.pdf>, <http://www.chiefaircraft.com/cgi-bin/rcm/hazel.cgi?action=serve&item=/Models/Engines/BME/BME.html>.

Next Meeting will be December 7th, in the Jax conference room, at 1200 North College Avenue in Fort Collins.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:57pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Dave Sampson, Secretary

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Try to find the following words!

Tailwind
Flatspin
Airplane
Flap
Pushrod
Helicopter

Crosswind
Servo
Receiver
Controlhorn
Balsa
Clevis

Meet the Member



Rich Krzyzkowski

Born/raised: Red Bank, NJ, and came to CO after college in 1994.

Married: Yes, to Kathy for 7 years.

Children: Brandon (6), Arianna (4), and Sage (1) (plus their evil twins that show up just before bed time).

Occupation: IC design engineer for Agilent Technologies.

Years in hobby: 2

Member since: 2003

Planes/ helis owned: Hanger 9 Advance 40 and a couple of Hobby Zone park fliers

Favorite plane/ heli: My Advance 40 — it takes a lickin' but keeps on tickin'

Worst crash: Spring of 2003: After an aborted landing attempt, I turned my slow-moving plane to travel in the same direction as the cross wind. The effective air speed suddenly dropped, turning the plane (in a nose-down posture) into a simple physics experiment with gravity as the only acting force...

Something you may not know about me: I built R/C boats as a kid and just recently restored a 20+ year old Deep Vee 10.

Classified Ads



For Sale: Kadet LT40, Saito .65 four-stroke -- 1-1/2 hours running time, voltage meter, auto pilot.
 Field box with: battery, fuel pump, glow starter, prop wrench, reamer, four propellers, and fuel.
 Glow plugs for Saito and O.S.
 1.40 O.S. engine and a few extra items.
\$300.00 FOR ALL!!! Call Jerry Roesch at (970) 224-5414

PHOTO OF THE MONTH



Mayor Ray Martinez on the "buddy box" with trainer Don Vagge during our 50th anniversary fun fly, September 18th!

Thank You Trainers!

As the year ends, we don't want to be remiss in bestowing proper gratitude to all of those who selflessly give of themselves in the area of training. We recognize and appreciate the dedication with which trainers serve. Many of us, after making a substantial investment, look to our trainers for their wisdom and years of experience. Comments from trainees remind us how important and valuable this service is. It is in sharing one's expertise, knowledge, and experience that this sport thrives and continues to progress. With deep sincerity, we THANK OUR TRAINERS for another year of work well done.

Club Trainers:

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| Fred Damm | Mike Lohr |
| Larry Grover | Don Botteron |
| Don Vagge | Loren Deines |
| Dan St. John | Greg St. John |



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Membership is open to all RC model airplane enthusiasts who are members of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA). Activities of the club include all phases of RC modeling: instruction, sport flying, contests, etc. A monthly newsletter is sent to each member.

Current membership is required for flying at any club field. A nonmember who is an AMA member may fly two days as a guest.

New members are welcome!

Ask any member for information.

Our meetings are held on the first
Tuesday of the month at 7:00 P.M. at
Jax's in Fort Collins.

(Call an officer for directions if necessary.)

Officers:

President	Dan St. John	223-0849
Vice Pres.	Bill Tuttle	484-8378
Secretary	Dave Sampson	223-9088
Treasurer	Loren Deines	494-1117

Editor	Garret Hultgren	224-4350
Webmaster	Ryan Korzynowski	231-1857
Weather Station		568-3203

Flight instruction is offered during Daylight Savings Time at no charge to members. The flying field east of Jax is reserved for beginners each Thursday evening after 5:00 PM. Other instruction times may be arranged by appointment with an instructor.

**Instructors:**

Mike Lohr	221-5278
Fred Damm	221-4457
Loren Deines	494-1117
Larry Grover	224-5124
Dan St. John	223-0849 (Helicopters)
Greg St. John	223-0849 (Helicopters)
Don Botteron	223-8050 (Adv., by Apmt. only)
Don Vagge	223-1169

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