

January, 2007



*Greetings Modeleers,*

These are the times that try men's souls. I've got planes to fly and the weather stinks. Florida looks better and better.

This is the time of year to renew your club membership. Those dues are the primary financial support for our organization, so it is important that we get these funds in on time. The easiest way to pay is to send a check to Gene Burmeister at 1533 Wedgewood Ct., Windsor, CO 80550, but you can also hand the money to any club officer. Remember that you must also be a member of the AMA.



Does anyone know of a venue we could use to fly foamy electrics indoors at a reasonable price? I'm keeping my eyes open for such a place. It would improve our club and be a real hoot.

January's club meeting will feature a slide show of our club activities throughout the year set to music by Garret Hultgren. This should be a wonderful show and of interest to all our members. In addition, he has a copy of the finished DVD that was filmed a year ago about aviation which featured our club. The RC segment is brief and professional. I look forward to seeing it, too. Don't miss it.

I know of several new aircraft in the club which might show up for show-and-tell.

If you know anyone who is interested in aviation, this would be a great meeting for invited guests. We have a fine club, and we are the best promoters of our hobby. Bring a friend, and see what happens.

*Wheels down landings,  
Jim Brink*



*Smooth Landings*



Some years ago, I wrote a column about winter flying. At that time, most flyers would hang up the old sport pattern plane and start building a new (hopefully better) job from a construction kit. (Remember them?) Flying below 60 degree temps, and worse yet, snow, didn't appeal to most. Now, with nearly all new planes being ARFs, we free up a lot of spare time for other pursuits.

I would hope to get a few converts to ski flying and cold weather fun. We have had little snow and moderate temps for the last few winters, but do not be discouraged, as Old Man Winter usually cooperates with a few weeks of usable snowy weather. If you've got a taildragger, trainer, or sport plane, it will usually be great on skis; it will also sharpen your skills on landings and touch-and-goes. The Love-Air club has had an informal January 1st get-together which has had some attendance in the past. We might be able to do the same.

**Next Month: "How to Make Your Own Skis" by Randy Treadwell**



Special thanks to Fred Damm who has replaced the shredded wind sock at Modeleers Field. Thanks, Fred!

**Next Meeting - Tuesday, January 2nd, 7:00 P.M. at Home State Bank - 303 E. Mountain Ave.**





"Flying Pics"



Ken Gillpatrick "back at the sticks" with Don Vagge. Ken's father is in the background. (12-10-06)



Clint Hultgren's U-Can-Do ski-flying at Clifton (12-7-06)



Jerry Craig's electric Cub on skis at Clifton (12-7-06)



Jerry Craig and Jim Brink with Jim's new Composite ARF Extra (12-10-06)



Elliott Ray and Carl Cary with Elliott's airplane on skis.



Carl Cary (R) and Loren Deines (L) preparing Carl's Buzzard Bombshell for flight. (12-10-06)



The "ski flyers" at Clifton on 12-8-06!



# MEET the MEMBER



Joe Wilson



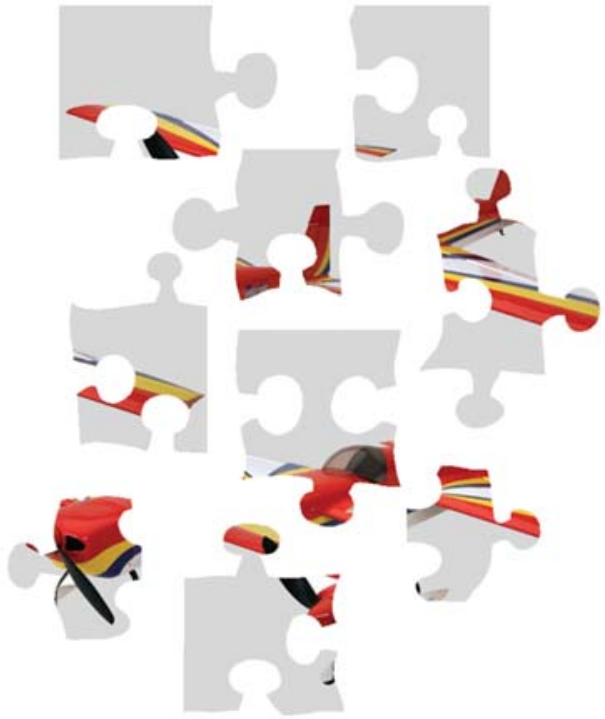
**Born/raised:** Roseburg, OR, left in 1973 to Join the USAF

- Married:** Wife Lindy for 20 years
- Children:** Monica - 19 and Sterling - 16
- Occupation:** United Airlines Captain on 767/757 Boeing for 18 years
- Years in hobby:** 40 years, part-time, started in '66 with control line
- Member since:** August '06
- Planes/ helis owned:** Nitro .40 trainer, Go stick, .40 Kaos, 2 meter glider, Warbird P38, Sport Pitts Special
- Favorite plane/ heli:** WarBird P38, Sport Pitts Special
- Worst crash:** Junior Falcon flew through a chainlink fence when the escapement ran out of rubber band power. Anybody remember escapements? (I salvaged the Golden Bee and the receiver.)
- Something you may not know about me:** I wanted to be a pilot ever since I was a little kid of 4 years. To become one, I flew anything that had wings over all kinds of terrain and for way too many strange bosses. My other hobbies include woodworking and target shooting.

## "Scrambled Plane Game"

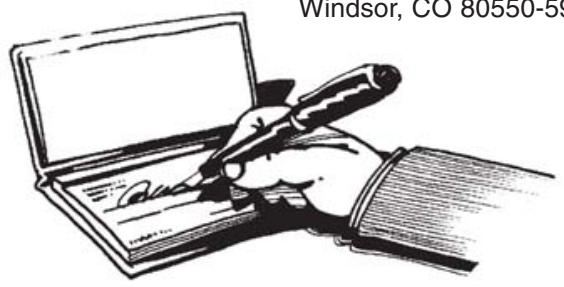
Below is a scrambled picture of an r/c airplane. The first person to email or call me the correct name of this plane is the winner and will be announced in the next newsletter! Please email me at [garret425@frii.com](mailto:garret425@frii.com) or call at 224-4350. Good Luck!

The winner this month will receive a \$5 gift card, courtesy of HobbyTown USA. Everyone has a chance - the mailed newsletters are sent out one day prior to the email copies.



### Remember to pay your 2007 dues!

Send your check and your AMA number to: Gene Burmeister  
1533 Wedgewood Court  
Windsor, CO 80550-5974



Great Planes Ultimate 3D ARF *Last Month's "Scrambled Plane"*

Congratulations to last month's winner of the "Scrambled Plane Game"

**Sam Kotby**



*Better late than never, Sam!*



**Annual Dues:**

**Adult: \$60**

**Junior: \$30**

**Family: \$70**

**Half price after July\***

**(\*Only for new members!)**

**One-time runway fee: \$50**

**AMA Charter  
#1824**



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 non-member 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 at  
7:00 P.M. on the first Tuesday of the month at  
Home State Bank, 303 E. Mountain Ave. in Ft. Collins.  
(Call an officer for directions if necessary.)



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Flight instruction is offered during daylight savings time at no charge to members. Flying instruction is available on a first-come basis on Thursday afternoons at Clifton Field in Fort Collins. (Call an officer for directions) Other times can be arranged by appointment with the individual instructors.

**Instructors:**

Mike Lohr	221-5278
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