



# Rocky Mountain Modelers



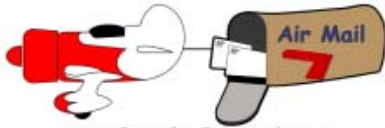
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Smooth Landings



September, 2006



Jim Brink, President

Greetings Modeleers,

We're getting into my favorite flying season with more settled weather and cooler days. Many of us spent the weekend at the Big Bird Festival, and I, for one, had a great time. The quality of the flying and the scale warbirds were the hits for me, but the burgers were a close second. Thanks, Love-Air.

The news about Ken Gillpatrick seems encouraging. Cheryl reports that he is standing and walking a bit and is regaining some control in his left (throttle) hand. His rehab will be difficult, but we all know that Ken is the guy to get it done. His rehab hospital is on on the south side of Hwy 34, 1/2 mile east of I 25. He likes guests.

Our next meeting will feature some important business with the election of club officers. I think there will be changes in some positions, so if you have any good ideas and want to put your hat in the ring, now is a good time. Other business will include making plans for the annual fall picnic/fly-in. It usually happens in October.

Also, some of our members and I would like to see the Independence Day Airshow put on the calendar now so plans can be made. A club discussion of those events and a sharing of ideas would be appropriate as well.

As most of you know by now, our club was robbed of the most valuable contents of our equipment shed. We have no insurance, and Don Vagge says that our chances of seeing that stuff again are minimal. We lost our riding mower, the large wheeled string trimmer, a trainer airplane with its transmitter, and the trailer the thief used to haul all the stuff away. The total value of these items exceeds \$1000. We need to make plans to replace the field maintenance equipment at least, so if you have any ideas, bring them.

Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to long-time member Larry Grover who lost his daughter to long-term illness last Saturday night, August 19. A celebration of her life is detailed in this newsletter.

Wheels down landings,

Jim Brink

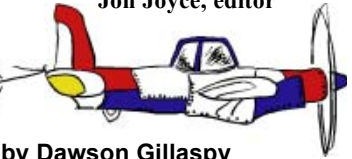
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From the Lewes RC Club, Lewes, DE

Jon Joyce, editor

## How To: Tricky Decals

by Dawson Gillaspay



Have you ever wanted to place a graphic or numbers on your model but find cutting them out of MonoKote is just too much effort? Try tracing paper available at craft or office supply stores.

Here's how to do it with a computer and scanner.

1. Scan your artwork and save it.
2. Print it on thin tracing paper.
3. Cut it out and stick it on your plane by spraying the back of the tracing with adhesive.

If you like to fly in the rain, you can waterproof the finished product by spraying it with clear spray paint before you place it on your plane.

Unlike a commercial decal with a totally clear background, the tracing paper will be barely visible, but it's not that noticeable.

**Below is an email update on Ken Gillpatrick's condition from his wife Cheryl after he suffered a stroke in the middle of July. Our thoughts are with them both:**

"Guess what Ken did today? He walked across the room and sat in a regular chair. He was working with the physical therapist and had his left arm resting on a tray table on wheels. He moved his left thumb and fingers slightly on Wednesday (8-23-06) while I was there. I saw him do it again tonight. We are scheduled to work on transfers in and out of the car next Wednesday. Hopefully Ken will be home in the next week or so. When he is, I will get him out to the field for about an hour at a time."

-Cheryl Gillpatrick



## Pictures from the 13th annual Big Bird Festival



Fred Damm and Loren Deines relaxing at the 2006 Big Bird!



The Modeleers' tent at the 13th annual Big Bird Festival at Drake Field

### Photo of the Month



Loren Deines, Elliott Ray, and "Jojo" watching the show



See, Jerry Craig, Fred Damm's Gee Bee does fly!



Jim Brink fueling his 33% Extra, which he flew at the show



### **NEW MEMBERS -**

**Randy Treadwell**

**Herb Cantor**

**Paul Nebel**

***Welcome to the club!***



## Meet the Member



Carl Van Hess

**Born/raised:** I was born in Port Arthur, TX, in 1944.

**Married:** I've been married to Leslie for 41 years.

**Children:** I have a son and a daughter and 4 grandkids.

**Occupation:** I worked for Dupont for 36 ½ years as an instrument and electrical supervisor.

**Years in hobby:** About 4 years

**Member since:** 2002

**Planes/ helis owned:** I currently own a Four Star and a Big Stik.

**Favorite plane/ heli:** I enjoy flying the Big Stik the most.

**Worst crash:** Too many to pick out my favorite!

**Something you may not know about me:** Fellow club member Guy Tritico and I went to high school with Janis Joplin and Jimmy Johnson, the NFL coach.

## 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. God 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.



## In Memory of...

We think of Larry Grover, one of the club's active members, who lost his daughter Deandra on Saturday, August 19th, due to liver complications. All of us who know Larry appreciate his help and presence at the flying field, and our thoughts are with him and his family during this trying time.

A celebration of Deandra's life will be held from 1:00 to 4:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 5th, at 6321 Carmichael St. in Fort Collins.

Anyone who would like to attend is welcome. Bring a dish to share for a potluck dinner.

Please call Larry for information or directions at  
224-5124

### Last Month's

### "Scrambled

Plane" Great Planes  
Super Chipmunk



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

### Guess Who?

Congratulations to NEXT month's winner also???, Don Vagge... Congratulations to 2nd place Don Botteron and 3rd place Sam Kotby.





**AMA Charter #1824**

**Annual Dues:**

**Adult: \$60**

**Junior: \$30**

**Family: \$70**

**Half price after July\***

*(\*Only for new members!)*

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



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  
10:00 A.M. on the first Saturday of the month at  
Modelers Field in Wellington.

(Call an officer for directions if necessary.)

**Officers:**

President	<b>Jim Brink</b>	<b>223-3975</b>
Vice Pres.	<b>Bill Tuttle</b>	<b>484-8378</b>
Secretary	<b>Dave Sampson</b>	<b>223-9088</b>
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<b>Weather Station</b>		<b>568-3203</b>

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
Fred Damm	221-4457
Loren Deines	484-0407
Larry Grover	224-5124
Garret Hultgren	224-4350
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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