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Kris Johnson's Corsair at last month's meeting. Darrin Nesmith photo.

President's Corner

Greeting members, hope you are having a great year!!! Our January meeting is this coming Sunday, the 17th, at Bob Longyear's place in the basement at 2:00. We will be having our drawing for a \$20 gift certificate to Dee and Mee Hobbies after the meeting.

Welcome new vice president Mark Davidson and club field safety officer Don Regier!!! Less than 40 days until spring!!! Aaron and Darrin are heading up the swap-n-shop registration for this February 6th. Make sure you get with them if you want early entry to the event (cost is \$5.00) - the deadline is almost here. We hope that all our members will have their dues paid by this month.

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Several of us have registered with the FAA and some are waiting to see if AMA will work out a deal before February 19, but don't hold your breath!! I noticed that on the printed form we get from FAA it says :

- *Fly below 400 feet.*
- *Never fly near other aircraft*
- *Keep your UAS within visual line of sight*
- *Keep away from emergency responders. Never fly over stadiums, sports events or groups of people.*
- *Never fly under the influence of drugs or alcohol.*
- *Never fly within 5 miles of an airport without first contacting air traffic control and airport authorities*

We have had some discussion on how high we can fly, so this answers that!!

Wayne has printed out some cards for all our members with the phone number of Forbes field. We are to call when we are going to fly and call also to let them know when the last one is done flying. This is for now and may change later on. Each member should get 2 cards. One for our wallet and one in our flight box.

Kris Johnson brought a warbird that he is building and it looks awesome!!! Can't wait to see this baby fly. Someone took some pictures of it and I hope it shows up on our newsletter.

Remember that this is our newsletter and we need to give John pictures and something to put into our newsletter.

See you at our meeting this Sunday!!!

Vernon Nelson

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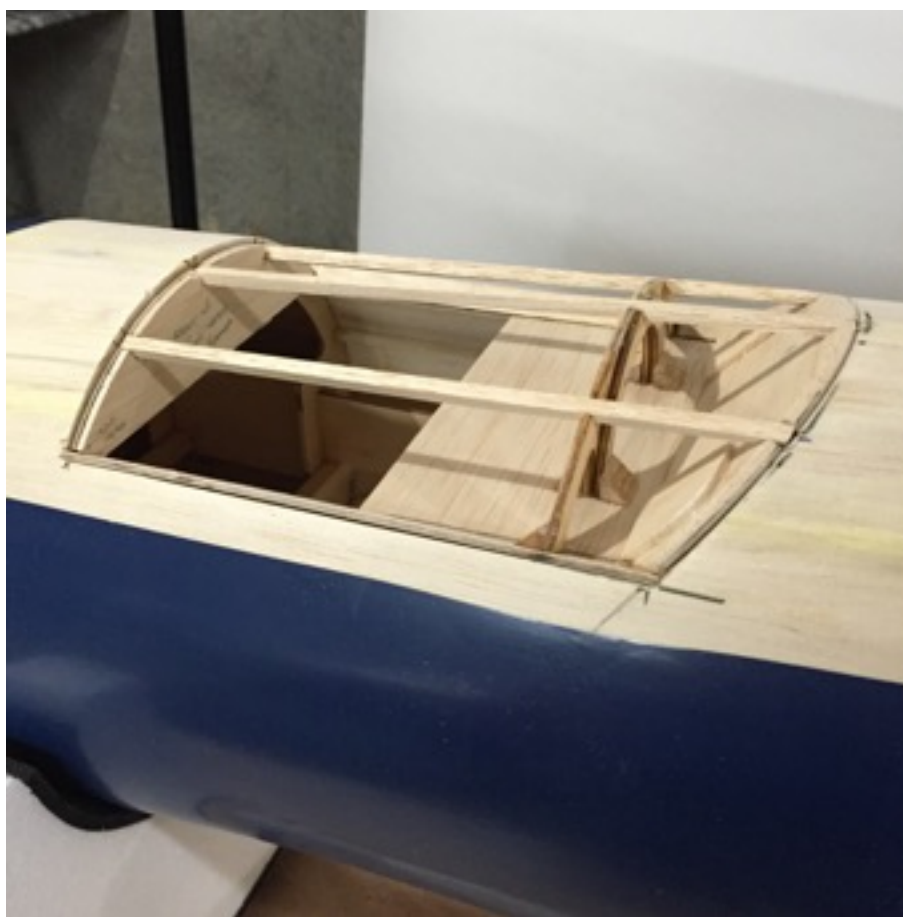
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Editor's Column

Well, 2016 is going to be the year of the Corsair. I know Kris has been working on his for a while, and it looks like he's doing a great job on it. I've got one in my shop now as well, although I took the quicker route to completion and bought an ARF. I'm converting the Top Flite Giant Corsair to electric power this winter, and so far it's going well. Here's a photo of the hatch construction in progress.



It's always hard to cut into a perfectly good completed fuselage, but there has to be a hatch.

What other winter projects are in progress out there? Send me a photo or two and a short description so I'll have something to put in the February newsletter.

John Kauk
Editor