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President's Column

Greeting fellow pilots, our spring fly-in will be here in a few weeks. The field is looking good with the fences repaired and painted. Our mole is back. If the far south flight station would be number 6, then the mole has reappeared between flight station 5 and 6. Anybody has any experience on how to get rid of him, please do so.



The Lawrence fly-in was Saturday, May 9th and the weather was great. There was a gentle breeze from the east so using the east-west runway made flying fairly easy. We had about 8 members present with about 6 of us flying. There were all types of planes from small to one that ran a Desert Aircraft 150 in it. This Saturday (16th) is the Lawrence Model Master's electric fly-in.

I won the drawing last month so I gave it back so someone else can win it at a later meeting. We should have a spot on Channel 13 this Saturday with some of our planes on display and John Dalton talking about our club and the upcoming fly-in. We all should spread the word out to our friends and the public about our fly-in.

Sunday, June 7th is the Manhattan fly-in. It would be nice if we can get a few more pilots to go with us on these. This is a good way to get the word out about our fly-ins.

Remember, if you have something you would like to share in our newsletter, send it to John Kauk and if you have anything to show or tell, bring it to our next meeting. That meeting is **Sunday, May 17, at 2:00 at the field.** Until then, hope to see you out at the field flying.

Vernon Nelson

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There's not a lot for me to write about today, but Vernon is certainly right about the field looking great. This time of year is great for grass but not always great for flying. We have had some really good days, though. This photo was taken May 12, as Vernon assembled his Cub, and John Dalton and Bill Miller were prepping Bill's big Spitfire for a flight. That was really a great day for flying.



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Here's our Vice President, Jim Eastburn, assembling his big P-47. He had a good flight shortly after this was taken. It's good to have Jim back from his winter digs in the Sunshine State.



And finally, photographic proof that my 1/5 scale P-51B actually, finally, flew a couple of weeks ago. Damaged after a near miss with the accursed power lines and pole, it was good to see it in the air after about four years of trying.

