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Hello to All Members:

Our President, Vernon Nelson, asked me, your humble Vice President, Jim Eastburn, to write something for the President's Corner of the club newsletter and I jumped at the chance!

What a great month we've had for flying! Kinda hot but no too bad and very light winds on many days! There has been very little sitting and waiting for good flying days. In fact, I've had to pass up some really nice days simply because I had already flown a couple days in that week and had other things that had to be done.

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Our field has benefitted from all of the rain earlier this spring! The bumpy ends of the runway have filled in nicely and the entire runway is smoother than it has been in several years. Of course, the weeds have also enjoyed all the rain and we have some work ahead of us this fall to take care of them.

We've had some busy members, too! Thanks to Bud Park for spraying and burning the parking lot! Ongoing thanks to Bill Miller and his crew for continuing the work to get both cameras working at the aerodrome. I think that the windsock/camera tower has been up and down about as much as one of those turnpike gates...but we're making headway! We have an outstanding club, field and website and thanks to everyone who makes it so!

We just had a busy weekend of flying, with three local fly-ins taking place at the same time at Hillsdale Lake, Perry Lake and Clinton Lake. I know we had members attend at least two of the events; the Barnstormers fly-in at Hillsdale Lake and the Capitol City fly-in at Lake Perry. My apologies if anyone attended the Lawrence fly-in and I missed it!

Vernon and I attended the Hillsdale fly-in and had a great time! Vernon did a great job of inviting the attendees to our event in September. They gave out four awards for Best of Show. One for best WWI aircraft, one for best WWII aircraft, one for best civilian aircraft and one more for best scale aircraft. Vernon's Carbon Cub won the Best of Show award for civilian aircraft and my Rearwin Speedster won the Best of Show for scale! We will be glad to autograph your planes!

I'm sure that we will get full reports for the other fly-ins at the board meeting next weekend! And remember, that meeting is this Sunday, 2PM, out at the beautiful Blue Sky Aerodrome. Bring a plane if the weather is good.

We all share a great hobby! What makes it so great for our club is that our members share their time, expertise, knowledge, support, humor and friendship! It doesn't get any better than that!

Jim

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Editor's Column

Jim mentioned the Hillsdale Scale Fly-In in his column, and I'd like to congratulate Vernon and Jim for their awards, certainly well deserved. Vernon sent along a link to a slide show he put together of the event so I'll include it here. You may have to type it into your browser to see it - if so, type it exactly as it's written, the link is case-sensitive.

<http://youtu.be/pMjzswxcggl>

I don't have a lot to add, so I'll throw up some photos from the field and one golden oldie.



Here's John Shewanick assembling a really nice old EAA Biplane.

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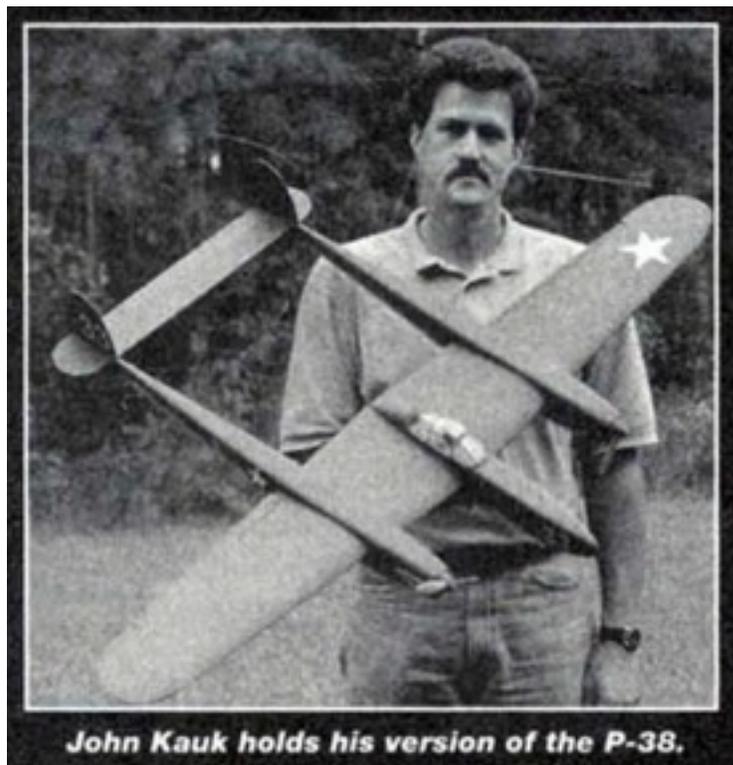
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Bill Miller and his nice Stearman, showing how it's done.



John Kauk holds his version of the P-38.

And to close, this is me in about 1996 from Model Airplane News, looking really grumpy. Having a bad day, I suppose. That was a nice little P-38, designed by Jim Ryan, powered by two cheap little Speed 400 motors.