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SMRCC - SHAWNEE MISSION RADIO CONTROL CLUB
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From your Club President

I would like to take this time to thank everyone for supporting the club and for all the help you gave me as your President. We had a great year for flying and for training newcomers to this terrific hobby. Congratulations to everyone who soled this year and to those who haven't soled yet, keep coming out to the field. I will try to be there if the temperature is above zero and the wind is below 20 mph. I will be glad to take you up on the buddy box. I hope other people will help the new flyers, as that is how I learned. Thank you very much to everyone who volunteered his or her time to come out on Tuesdays to help on training night.

We had some great events this year, from the weekend fun fly events, the float flies, the City Wide, the Swap and Shop and the Boy Scout Camporee. None of these events would have been possible without your help.

At this months meeting we will be having our Christmas party complete with hotdogs, pop and Pizza so make it a point to be there. Don't forget to mark your calendars for the Freeze Fly on New Years day, be there no matter how cold or snowy!

Also since this is the 100th Anniversary of the Wright Brothers first flight, I have been volunteered for yet another presentation at the Oak Park Library to speak to

kids about flight and shamelessly promote the Shawnee Mission Radio Control Club!

I have enjoyed serving as your club president this year and two terms as 1st vice president of dirt. I keep trying to escape into anonymity as a regular club member but it looks like Rich Wealterman and myself will switch positions for next year. And thanks to all of you, we have a great club and a great field, So I'll see you at the meeting and Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of you! Have a great holiday season and thanks again.

James B. Overesch
President



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- **Treasurer—**
Dennis Lindell
- **Secretary—**
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Mark Smith
- **Historian—**
Frank Hass
- **Newsletter Editor—**
Shane Sternecker

2003 Swap and Shop Report

Well, we put another successful Swap and Shop under our belts this past month. I have been coordinating this event for the last couple of years and it goes without saying, that each year, we get better and better...and you folks are the reason for our success! Never before have we had such fantastic turnout of volunteers. Seen elsewhere in

this newsletter is a listing of all who helped. Besides being very financially successful, I think one of the big benefits of this event is pulling together the membership to accomplish a common goal...and you folks really did it in style!

While those of you who gave of your time are all to be congratulated, I want to especially thank the committee chairs for their tire-

less work:

Craig Brown-Security

Mark Dennis and Phil Abbedessa-Table registration

Jim Overesch-Concessions

Don Arth and Ken Hursey

Mark Smith

Next Meeting:



Thursday, December 11th, 2003

MEETING PLACE:

Lenexa Community Center

TIME:

Beginner's Corner

7:00 p.m.- 7:20 p.m.

General Meeting

7:30 p.m.- 9:00 p.m.

Shawnee Mission Radio Control Club Membership Form



Shawnee Mission Radio Control Club

2004 MEMBERSHIP FORM

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State: _____

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Model-plane enthusiast to help library mark aviation centennial

BY NATHAN DAYANI

SUN STAFF WRITER

One hundred years ago the Wright brothers proved that man could fly.

Today Jim Overesch, president of the Shawnee Mission Radio Control Club, teaches youngsters how flight is possible.

In celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Wright brothers' historic flight, the Johnson County Library will sponsor a presentation by Overesch at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 16 at the Oak Park Library, 9500 Bluejacket. During the presentation, Overesch will use some of his model airplanes to illustrate the principles of aviation.

"What I want to do is give the children a rough idea as to how an airplane flies. Most kids see an airplane in the sky and don't know how it stays up there or what keeps it up there," said Overesch, a Lenexa resident. "Hopefully, they'll be able to look at an airplane now and know what makes the thing fly."

The principles of flight are similar for small, model airplanes and large aircraft alike, Overesch said. To achieve flight, both small and large planes must have their combined forces of lift and thrust be greater than their load and drag.

"A model airplane flies exactly the same as a full-scale jet aircraft," he said, "except you're doing it from the ground instead of from a higher elevation."

In addition to explaining how airplanes fly, Overesch plans to discuss the significance of the Wright brothers' achievement.

"One of the things that I've always admired about the early aviation pioneers was that they were putting themselves in a



Jim Overesch takes model planes, like this one of a RV-4, around the area and makes presentations on the principles of flight. Overesch is also the president of the Shawnee Mission Radio Control Club.

machine and saying, "In theory, this should work," he said. "Before the Wright brothers, nobody had ever made a propeller for airplanes. People had made propellers for ships, but having a huge bronze propeller wasn't going to work. So, they

had to carve one of their own. By today's standards, a propeller that's 85 percent efficient is pretty good, and theirs was 80 percent efficient. They just took a couple of pieces of wood and figured out how much pitch and diameter they should have."

Overesch said his interest in flight started in his youth, when he lived near the Richards-Gebaur Air Force Base in Kansas City, Mo.

"For some reason, I never got into full-scale aviation, but I've always been into models," he said.

Overesch said he hoped his lecture at the library would motivate young children to take an

interest in aviation and perhaps in working with airplane models.

"A lot of people build from scratch where they just get the plans and go from there. Or they make their own plans, and sometimes that works," he said. "It's proof that if you can get enough power, anything will fly."

Models vary significantly, Overesch said. The most basic control-line airplane is connected to its user by a thin, metal wire. More complicated model airplanes can travel as fast as 60 mph, be controlled through Internet technology and even have their own black box, Overesch said.

"Virtually, the sky's the limit with modeling," he said. "You can spend as much or as little as you want to."

For more information about the presentation, call the library at 752-8780.

The Shawnee Mission Radio Control Club, which has more than 100 members, flies its model planes throughout the year at Shawnee Mission Park and meets at 7 p.m. on the second Thursday of every month at the Lenexa Senior Center, 13425 Walnut. For more information about the club, visit the club's Web site, smrcc.tripod.com.

"The desire to fly is an idea handed down to us by our ancestors who, in their grueling travels across trackless lands in prehistoric times, looked enviously on the birds soaring freely through space, at full speed, above all obstacles, on the infinite highway of the air."

— Wilbur Wright



SMRCC Video Library

The following videos are available from the video library. If you are interesting in viewing any of these, please let Mark Smith (marksmith@everestkc.net) know and he will bring them to the next meeting. All that is required is a \$5 deposit which is refunded upon return of the tape.

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1996 Freeze Fly
1998 Barnstormer fly-in
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5/98 build it/fly it contest

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Volume 27
Volume 30
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Classifieds



Nothing submitted for this month's classified section.

Have something to sell? All Ads will be run only for the newsletter they are submitted for. Place your ad here for free by submitting them via e-mail to Shane Sternecker, ssternecker@kc.rr.com. All Ads need to be submitted 1 week prior to the club meeting or they will not make it in until the next newsletter. The deadline for entries in the next newsletter is **January 1st., 2003**

Schedule of Events



- Thurs, December 11th—SMRCC Member's Meeting—Lenexa Community Center
- Sat, December 20th—Indoor Fly-In DeSoto, KS
- Thursday, January 1st—SMRCC Freeze Fly
- Thursday, January 8th—SMRCC Member's Meeting—Lenexa Community Center

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 Club Meeting	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 De-Soto Fly-In
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1 Freeze Fly		

“To invent an airplane is nothing. To build one is something. To fly is everything.”

— Otto Lilienthal

2003 Swap and Shop Participants

Customer Service / Hosting	
Craig Brown	Craig Williams
Rich Waeltermann	Jan Brown
Rich Cansler	John Lewis
Sam Allen	Brian Finnerty
Mike Davis	Alex Lopez
Shane Sternecker	David Bowles
Jim Maxey	Frank Hass
John Wells	Rudy Wrobel
Roger Miller	Leroy Raines
Wayne Nyberg	Jerry Sanderson

Concessions	
Jim Overesch	Wade Atkinson
Dennis Lindell	Larry Laird
Bill Steinweg	Bill Johns

Registration	
Mark Smith	Phil Abbadessa
Mark Dennis	

SMRCC November Members Meeting Minutes



Beginner's Corner: 7:00 pm

Mark Smith - How to rig Pull Pull wires.

Call to Order: 7:36 pm President - Jim Overesch

Introduction of Guests and New Members:

Guest: Roger Palmer, Kermit Mangun **NM:** Bill Steinwig

Minutes were approved as reported.

Treasurer Report:

Dennis Lindell presented the treasures report and was approved as reported.

Old Business:

Rich Waeltermann gave a report on the Boy Scout Jamboree - 12 club members showed up with planes to fly or static display. It went very well. Rich and Shane gave lots of demonstration or test flying for the Scouts. Rich wanted to thank all the people who participated. Mark Smith and Shane have sent the information to AMA.

Jim Overesch with the help of Bill Johns put on a Demo in Stillwell with his Telemaster for 100 to 150 school kids. It went well. Thanks to Jim and Bill.

Float Fly was a success. Thanks to David Bowles for CD this event.

New Business:

Al Tavania's wife passed away. Al has been a member since 1969. It was decided to send some money to Catholic Charities per his family's request.

Swap N Shop Saturday. Jim Overesch will head up the Concession, Craig Brown will head up security or hosting. Mark Smith will put an add in the KC Star.

A Special thanks to Shane Sternecker for a " Great Job with the Newsletter".

We will have a Christmas party next month. We will give away a framed photo of a Stealth B-2. Those who have rejoined the club for 2004 will be entered. Don't miss this meeting and renew your membership.

Mark Smith made a motion to re-elect current officers for next year but Rich Waeltermann for President and Jim Overesch

Vice-President, Dennis Lindell as Treasurer. With no objection, the motion was carried.

Dutch Auction -

An Old SMRCC wind breaker jacket - will try again next month

Tip of the Month

Don't use CA in your carb. It Freezes - contributed by unknown

Model of the Month:

1) Ron Frenzl - P-51 Air Mustang, retracts, weighs in at 28oz, powered by a Norvel .074, light span covering, painted with Nelson Urethane, 5 Hitec servos.

2) Craig Williams - 1/5 scale Japanese Nakazima, KI-27B, powered by a G-38 gas engine, weighs 21 pounds. One year to build.

Winner - Craig Williams

We will renew the Lenexa Community Center from January to May and October to December in 2004. June to September meetings at the Field.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 pm

Model of the Month Pictures



Ron Frenzl—P-51 Mustang



Craig Williams—1/5 Scale Japanese Nakajima KI-27B



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Next Meeting at the *Lenexa Community Center*
Thursday, December 11th 7:00p.m. - Adjournment.

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