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NEXT CLUB MEETING

TUESDAY June 3rd 2008 7PM

AT

St. Johns Seafood Restaurant

1161 Lane Ave. South

Jacksonville Florida

Please attend

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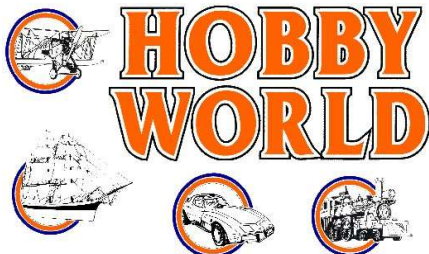
Jim Willis

SPECIAL REMINDER

In accordance with the lease agreement Gateway RC holds with the city of Jacksonville, the gate to the field is to be locked when the last club member leaves the field. We have been finding the gate, **AND** the building left open again lately.

Thank You

LOCK IT UP CLEAN IT UP !!!



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Why not go 2.4? For me it was while I was flying and competing in Pattern Acrobatics. No matter if I was flying at our field, or at an event, there was always someone on the same frequency. The thought of getting shot down is always in the back of your mind, and for me it was even more present after buying the most expensive aircraft that I had ever purchased. I decided then that the threat of being shot down exceeded the cost of trying out the new Spektrum DX-7 2.4 system. I did some reading, sent some emails to Horizon, and made the decision to make the purchase. I put my name in at Hobby World and got one of the first DX-7's, and I have been flying with it ever since. In fact, I have been so pleased with the system that I just purchased my second 2.4 system, a new JR 9303 2.4.

Compared to yesterday, where there was only one choice, today we have several choices in 2.4 systems. JR, Spektrum, and Futaba all have their own dedicated 2.4 systems. But you don't have to buy a completely new 2.4 system; you can replace the FM module of your existing transmitter with a 2.4 module. No, you can't use FM receivers on a 2.4 system.....

No matter if you have a JR, Futaba, or Airtronics transmitter, as long as your transmitter is equipped with a module you can probably upgrade your system to 2.4. Spektrum and XPS both sell modules for different brands of transmitters. That means as a Futaba owner you can decide what type of 2.4 receivers you want to use; Futaba, Spektrum, or XPS. Those of you with several aircraft might think that you have to replace all your receivers with 2.4, and that's not the case. To fly those aircraft with an FM receiver, all you have to do is switch out the 2.4 module and reinstall the FM module.

It's too new. I hear that there are problems with the new systems. Yes, there as been some problems that occurred in the initial production of some equipment. But that's true of any new system, 2.4 or FM. Trust me, since purchasing my DX-7 I have had pilots tell me everything from RV cameras, Cell phones, and sun spots can interfere with my 2.4 system. It doesn't matter if it's 2.4 or FM, most new systems have bugs that have to be worked out, and 2.4 are no different. I can say with certainty that your chances of being shot down are a lot higher using FM than 2.4.

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Try this with FM: "We just flew 59 Spread Spectrum systems at one time at the SEFF, setting a new world record having 100 RC models in the air at the same time. This was a mixture of Futaba, Spektrum and XPS 2.4 systems and they worked." Tony Stillman.

I don't pretend to be an expert on 2.4; I just know that it works for me. I have flown everything from electric, glow, and gas aircraft with my 2.4 system, and I'm very happy with the way the system works. I have seen 2.4 on turbine composite aircraft and on helicopters, all without any problems. If you have any questions regarding 2.4, just tap me on the shoulder at the field, I would be happy to show you my 2.4 system, and answer your questions.

See ya at the field,

Patrick

Starting this month a new addition will be added to the Flypaper; Hobby World Special of the Month. Special's maybe a combo package of an ARF / Engine, or an Electric Aircraft with Motor, Servos, and an ESE. Or it may be a one time item that is for sale as a clearance. If you don't see the special when you drop by Hobby World, talk to Don Gentry (Gateway member) and he will help you. Chances are if it's combo package, and not a clearance item, Don will order yours for the same price.

SUMMER SWAP MEET

JUNE 7th. Free to sell, \$5.00 landing fee to fly.

HOBBY WORLD SPECIAL FOR JUNE

**Hanger 9 P-51
150size ARF**



**AND
A Evolution 35GT engine**

\$889.95 (one in stock now at 103rd St)

240 RACING



As most of you know by now 240 racing is just about dead. It was an exciting racing with a 80 inch airframe, when we started in 1994 it was fly what you bring. Then, Gene Cantrall talked us into flying Mel Whitney's Sport 240 and the rest was history.

Back in the early days Dave Reid and Charlie Brooks were building the airframes for \$125 bucks and the ST 3000 was the engine of choice. I estimate there has been over 150 Sport 240's built. I have been through 7 airframes and it would be hard to say how many Gene Cantrall built, some even had two flights. Anyways, the boys down in Ocala still want to keep the event going and we have agreed to allow the Hangar 9 Sundowner to be an alternate airframe. All rules pertaining to the 240 still apply.

If anyone is interested in this event please give me a call...733-6627.

Thanks,

Paul Towkach

GATEWAY RC SWAP MEET AND FLY-IN

Saturday June 7th 2008

RAIN OR SHINE

\$5 LANDING FEE IF FLYING

***NO FEE TO SELL, TABLES
LIMITED, SO BRING YOUR
TABLE OR SELL FROM TRUNK
OR TAILGATE IN PARKING LOT.***

***CONSESSION STAND WILL BE
OPEN FOOD AND DRINKS.***

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ON THE AUCTION BLOCK



SILENT AUCTION AT THE JUNE 7TH SWAP MEET.
FIRST BID WILL BE \$20 THERE WILL BE A CLIPBOARD
TO WRITE IN YOUR BID, ***THE WINNER WILL NEED TO
BE PRESENT TO WIN, AND THE WINNER WILL BE
ANNOUNCED AT 1PM.***

Tribute 36 PNP.

Good shape, great for getting into 3-D flying. Comes with
Side Force Generators also. 44 5/8" WINGSPAN,
EVOLUTION .36 ENGINE, AND 5 JR SERVOS
INSTALLED. I will include a 1/2 bottle of glow fuel also.

THE DAWN PATROL



Bob Masterson and some of his Electric pilots have formed a group called The Dawn Patrol.

Every Sunday morning they meet at Ed Austin Park and fly their electric planes on one of the many soccer fields. They also help newcomers to the Park Flier community answering questions and helping them set up their planes.

For more information you can check out their web site, <http://www.dawnpatrol.iwarp.com>
They also have videos on line at
<http://www.youtube.com/user/nfdawnpatrol>.



Next month is July. It's hard to believe but the year is just about one half over.

With July comes the heat and humidity, but that's the price you pay for living in Florida. July also brings one of everyone's favorite holidays. The 4th of July, and Gateway R/C's annual Members Picnic. There will be plenty of flying and plenty of food. The club will supply the Hot Dogs, Burgers, and soft drinks, and we ask that members bring a side dish, beans, salad, chips, you name it. See you there.

GATEWAY RC CLUB EVENTS FOR 2008

Updated: 05/23/2008

- February
3rd **IMAC Judging School**
Field closed on Sunday from 9am to 12 noon
CD: Peter Jackson
- February
5th **Gateway R/C Club Banquet**
Event Director: Patrick Lanfri
- February 29th
March 1st & 2nd **Florida Extreme 3D FX3D**
CD: Jeff Carte & Peter Jackson
- April
5th **Spring Fling Gateway Member Day**
CD: Patrick Lanfri (Buford's choice prize)
- April
19th **Buddy Box Day** (Intro-flights given)
Field is open for general flying. No landing fee.
CD: John Lake
- May
3rd & 4th **The 2nd Annual 1st Coast IMAC Event**
CD: Peter Jackson
- June
7th **Gateway R/C Club Summer Swap Meet**
CD: John Lake
- July
4th **The Gateway R/C Club 4th of July Family Picnic**
CD: Patrick Lanfri
- September
19th & 20th **Bud McMillan Memorial Fly-in**
CD: Buford Howard
- September
26th, 27th, & 28th **32nd O.J. Stillman Memorial Pattern Contest**
CD: Tony Stillman
- October
10th & 11th **Giant Scale Warbirds**
CD: Monty McMillan
- October
18th **Gateway R/C Club Fall Fling, Membership Drive**
CD: Patrick Lanfri (Rufus's choice prize)
- October
23rd 24th 25th **IMAA District V Mini-Festival**
CD: Buford Howard
- November
13th, 14th, 15th & 16 **2008 IMAC Southeast Regional Championship**
CD: Peter Jackson
- December
6th **5th Annual Gateway R/C Club Toy's For Tot's**
CD: Bob Davis
- December
13th **Gateway R/C Club Winter Swap Meet**
CD: John Lake

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