



## SCRC FUN FLY—2011



Sam Stitzer's hand crafter Teardrop Trailer

Camping, Flying, & Camaraderie were all standard fare at our September Fun-Fly. The event was well attended with visitors from Montana that were traveling through the area and the usual suspects from the Buzzard Field RC group.

-----Original Message-----

From: Guizar Jon [mailto:jon@ncc-bridges.com]

Sent: September 18, 2011 7:35 PM

To: Al Niessner

Subject: SCRC FUN FLY

Al - could you please pass this on through your mailing list....

I would like to THANK Ron Lueth for pulling together a really nice fun fly for the club. Attendance was great, the weather was a bit windy but good, and the fellowship was awesome. Ron also supplied food and drinks, firewood, and more.

THIS Is what the club is about....

THANK YOU RON!

Jon Guizar

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**NEXT MEETING — 10/4/2011**

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## 2011 Fun-Fly (continued)



Camping began Friday night when Todd, Ron, Daniel, Myself, and others setup camp for the night. We all enjoyed the stories and the fellowship. I am not sure who did all the cooking because I arrived just before dark but WOW! Hot dogs, hamburgers, hot sausage, salad, chips, cake, and more. We hung out around the campfire and in Daniel and Carole's RV mansion. Thank you for the hospitality....

I knew right away it was going to be a great time when I showed up just before dark with a tent that hasn't been out for years and a canopy in a hundred pieces that I had never assembled before only to find that the gang that was there left their campfire and conversation to help me set everything up. Thank you all for the help.

I was not able to attend on Saturday but came back that evening to camp out again. I can tell you from the stories at the campfire that I believe everyone had a good time. The stories were great and the piles were all but non-existent. Saturday evening was quite a bit warmer and the occasional clear skies sparked a bit of alternative evening entertainment; a star finder and a telescope.

The kids and the adults were excited to see the many moons of Jupiter through the telescope as the night went on. A little too much excitement from the kids required the infrequent re-centering from a bump here and there but Daniel was patient and accommodating so that all had their turn to see.



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**T**his Mystery ship “stuck” in the ground Sunday, appearing from nowhere, onlookers speculate as to the possibility of “space junk.” A closer inspection of the lawn dart revealed that there was in fact an engine hidden completely beneath the surface supporting the structure as it proudly identified its trajectory prior to impact.

I believe the ship was extracted from the bedrock and placed into a garbage bag as nobody at the field was brave enough to claim ownership of the bird before or after impact....

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*Fun-Fly 2011* continued



**From:** Ron Lueth <rdlueth@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 19, 2011 9:48 PM  
**To:** Ron Lueth  
**Subject:** RE: SCRC FUN FLY

All,

I just want to let everyone know what makes a club event successful. It is the members and visitors that showed up, those that offered to help, he who mowed the grass, those that approved a porta potty, he who brought a fire pit, and those folks that were there every night that helped. I also found it very nice that some members didn't have time to spend the day, but they took time to stop by for 30 minutes to say hi and see the goings on.

A BIG thanks to the Ladies who showed up with the side dishes and such, and my Wife for shopping and organizing the food arrangements.

The biggest hit for me of the weekend.... That was being up until midnight, 2 nights in a row, around a fire, with all the late nighters / campers. Thanks to Daniel, Carole who brought some fantastic new conversations to the fire from their travels and experiences, a great telescope and star finding electronics, and for taking the time to show all of us <including our girls> the moons of Jupiter.

Thanks to everyone!

Ron

## *In Memory of: JOHN S. SHENK Phd*



*John S. Shenk and his Falco 23 - Published in the June 2011 issue of Flight Lines.*

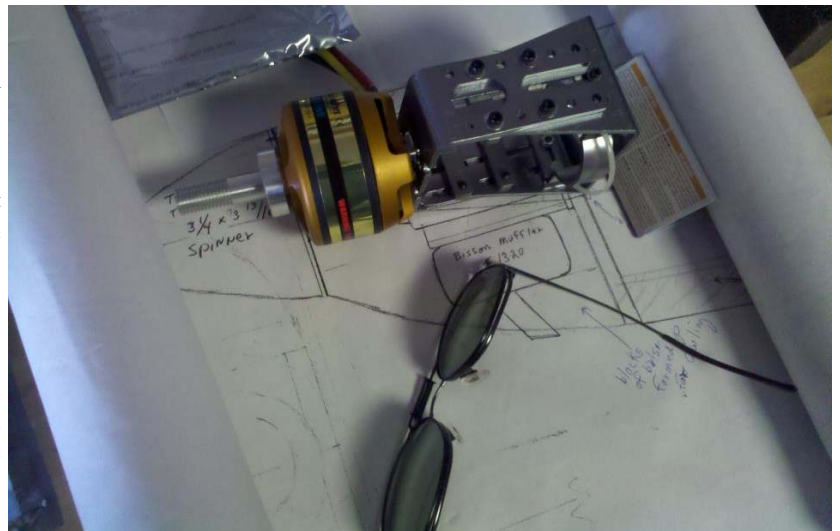
**D**edication to the hobby is what I will remember the most from my brief friendship with John. I first met him as I went to his house to get an old CAP 232 that he reported was headed to the dumpster if someone didn't come to the rescue. Little did I know that this was his chance to interview each person that came to the house until he could find someone to help him with his real agenda — THE FALCO!

I know that many have seen John at the field with his personally designed and scratch built Italian replicas and while others would crash and build something new or by a kitplane or an ARF, John never let his dream go. He wanted very badly for that Falco to fly and fly well. He was determined to stop at nothing to make that happen. Well John and I shared a lot of stories about full scale planes and he came to my home to see my planes before we got started with his Falco projects.

Once satisfied, we met at the field to test fly his plane. I reported on that in the June issue so let me just repeat that the plane got in the air nicely but the engine was not reliable so we landed to try another day. The next round we got to fly longer, trim out the basics to fly hands off, and start to work on a CG check when the engine began to sputter again. John was disappointed but you could see the fire in his eyes now at the thought that his dream of flying the Falco Pattern style was getting very close. We would meet often, talk a lot, and he would change everything I would ask him to for the next flight.

So dedicated to the task was John that when we spoke just prior to his scheduled surgery his only regret or disappointment was that this hospital thing was going to be just one more delay to keep him from his Falco project. Ron Lueth submitted the photo below of the recent progress to an electric conversion of the Falco for which Ron became the Go-To conversion guy by helping John eliminate the last barrier to really testing the Falco.... Reliable Power. I can only hope that in my own down times in the future I will remember John and his dedication to the love of flying and building.

**GONE BUT NOT FORGOTEN — SO LONG FRIEND !**



### From the Editor



Fun, Fear, Happy, Sad, I'm not sure what emotion has prevailed recently.

I missed a portion of the Fun-Fly this past month. While I was planning to see John Shenk at the hospital on Thursday because he had told me a couple times about his surgery, I get a call to go to my father only to sit at his side as he passed away. I wish to extend my heartfelt thanks to all those in the club that offered their condolences.

Pressing on after all of that I came to my favorite social club, the SCRC. Campfires, late nights, fun gadgets, fellowship, lots of flying and watching the children play and be awed by everything that flies is all it takes to bring one back to the present and enjoy the day. As I said in my email to the club... This really IS what the club is about; sharing ideas and stories, fellowship and learning, and promoting the hobby among all age groups in a positive light.

Ron said it well in his letter. Everyone pitched in and we all had an enjoyable weekend. I hope that we can have similar events more often.

Count Me In...

See you at the Field...

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### Meeting Minute Highlights

*(condensed version of Daryl Allen's June & July report)*

#### Treasurer:

Al Jones reported on the treasury status and the membership approved the report.

depicting some great photos and the story of a local model builder, Mr. Guy Forshey.

There was no show and tell.

#### Old Business:

The Bylaw committee was dissolved pending further review of AMA policies and the legal structure of the club. A new committee will be formed to start again in February of 2012

A motion to adjourn was passed at 8:20

*Complete Meeting Minutes are on the Web.*

<http://www.scrc-club.com>

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#### New Business:

Participation in the 4th fest events was ruled out due to the new airport control tower at KUNV.

Al Niessner announced a new delta dart program was under way.

Al was also asked to look into the indoor flying schedule for OLV.

Al Jones passed an article from the Altoona Mirror

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**OCTOBER 2011 - CLUB CALENDAR**

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