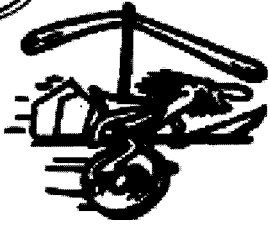


Greater Midwest Rotorcraft Club



Monthly Newsletter

In B&W (color version available online)

April 2009

Next Club Meeting

Date: Friday, April 24th

Time: 7:30 pm

Place: Joe's Office

Lower-level Conference Room

120 East Ogden Avenue

Hinsdale, IL 60521

Special Topic(s):

- *Cook-Out Planning*
- *Fly-In Plans*
- *Future activities*

The club needs your help

The club built a computer this past winter and it has since been brought out to the club hangar. Brian Burke used his metal fabrication skills to convert one of our old tool boxes into a secure and convenient computer work station. Eventually, with the addition of an internet connection, we will be able to check weather, get TFR's, save club pictures, play games and even work on newsletters right in the club hangar. Now, here's where we need your help. We need a keyboard and a mouse. I'm sure someone in the club has extras cluttering up their house so here's your chance to give them a great new home. We've already had a flat panel monitor donated, a key board and mouse will complete the set up. If you have both or either, please bring them to the next meeting or bring them by the airport sometime. Thanks in advance for your generosity!

Build Team Update

The build team has been meeting at the club hangar pretty regularly for the past several weeks. Here are some of the goings on you may have missed:

Brian Burke has removed the VW engine from his gyro and has begun tearing it down to try to identify the source of it's unwanted internal friction. Tom Milton has helped with the teardown process as well as providing specialty tools and a warm location to work in when the temperature drops. If all goes well, Brian's gyro should be ready to fly this summer.

Nick Costa has been making amazing progress on his new two place gyro. The Honda engine is completely assembled. The Frame is nearly complete and soon to be on all 3 wheels. Check out this great new gyro up in the loft the next time you make it out to the club hangar.

Adam Helwich's and Nick Costa's gyrobee has already flown this year. Adam and Nick are in the process of balancing and tracking their Bensen blades to try to smooth out the frame hop they are currently experiencing. If you haven't had a chance to see this machine, check it out in the club hangar, it is about as minimalist as a gyro can get.

If you want to join the build team at the airport, they usually meet on Wednesday or Thursday nights at the club hangar. Call Adam: 708-912-1624, Matt: 219-308-8589, or Nick: 708-296-4489 to find out if and/or when they will be meeting that week.

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A Dominator for you.

The new enclosed Dominator on display at Bensen Days 2009



Magni gyros at Bensen Days 2009



Memories from last summer:
 Above: Mark Malek, his sister Phyllis and Si Smith
 Far left: Joe Mahr in his wizard ultralight
 Near left: Albert Dyer w/ his Air Command

