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THE OFFICIAL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE SIGNAL SEEKERS R/C CLUB

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MEETINGS	Fourth Monday of every month at Maplewood Center Garden City, rm114 at 7:30 PM	

Next Meeting: Monday, February 26, 7:00 PM at Maplewood Center

Here it is, closing in on the end of February. We're just getting out of the cold snap that lasted a few weeks and got pretty brutal at times. March is right around the corner, which brings our thoughts dancing to thoughts of spring, eve if just a bit. Which brings to mind two of our upcoming events: The pattern contest; last weekend of June, and the control line contest August 18 & 19.



Also coming up very soon will, of course, be the Toledo Show. That's always a good show to kick off the spring flying season. As mentioned in the last newsletter, the subject of late dues fees was being discussed. Look inside this issue for details on the late dues payment fine. You might want to make a copy for yourself and for anyone else who may need one. That's all for now and happy flying!
-Ed

SIGNAL SEEKERS RC CLUB MEETING

Meeting Date January 22, 2007

Meeting was called to order by President Bob McDonald and the roll call was taken.

REPORTS:

- The Minutes were approved as written and the Treasures's Report was approved as read.
- Bob Dunlap reported on the success of the Christmas Raffle and the fact that he ran out of tickets. He's planning on ordering at least 500 more next year.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Bob McDonald presented the budget for 2007. It was discussed and accepted as presented.
- A Rules change, posted in the last Squeeker, instituting a \$20 fine for late dues (after March 31st) was presented, discussed and accepted.
- Volunteers, who are at the field a lot, are needed to assist the Safety Officer.
- **THE MEETING TIME HAS BEEN CHANGED TO 7:00 PM.**
- 2007 Activities (so far):
 - Pattern Contest – the last weekend in June.
 - Control Line Contest – August 18th & 19th.

MONTHLY RAFFLE:

- Stand:- Larry Coulson.
- Box of Rubber Bands:- Clayton Herrst.
- CA:- Larry Coulson.
- Power Panel:- Bob McDonald.
- Sanding Bar:- Jay Dunkin.
- Prop:- Bob Dunlap, Jay Dunkin, John Stevens and Joh Hartman.
- Monokote:- Barney Polzin and Clayton Herrst.

SUBJECT: SIGNAL SEEKERS R/C CLUB DUES FOR 2007.

SS07DUES

1. THE FOLLOWING RECEIVE FREE DUES FOR SELLING 100 OR MORE CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS: TIMOTHY TOWNLEY, KENNETH JOHNSON, DARREN COVINGTON, JOHN KAPCHUS, BRYAN MOLNER, MARK KNOTE, KEITH McCRARY, DOUGLASS BEAVER, STEVEN CECALE, GEORGE COOLEY, LARRY COULSON, ROBERT DUNKAN, JAMES ESPER, MATTHEW GLADD, FLOYD GREGORY, RICHARD MALIK, RAYMOND MARIO, ROBERT McDONALD, THOMAS MELITA, TOM VASILOFSKI, DALLELL WARREN. NOTE: CLUB OFFICERS, NEWSLETTER EDITOR (JERRY WINO), NEWSLETTER PRINTER (MIKE FERGUSON), CHANNEL IDENTIFICATION PIN NUMBERS (DAN ROSS), AND FIELD GRASS CUTTING (DARREN COVINGTON) ARE NOT REQUIRED TO PAY DUES.

2. HONORY MEMBERS: TO BE DETERMINED.

3. THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS HAVE PAID THEIR 2007 DUES:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE PD.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE PD.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE PD.</u>
DENNIS SUMNER	12/22/06	PAUL BEDARD	12/22/06	ROBERT LUKASIK	12/22/06
CHUCK LEE	12/22/06	ROBERT PENCE	12/22/06	ROBERT DUNLAP	01/22/07
STAN. OLESKOWSKI	01/22/07	JOHN HARTMAN	01/22/07	WILLIAM SOPHA	01/22/07
CHUCK WOOLEY	01/22/07	STUART WECKERLY	01/22/07	WILLIAM PASCHEN	01/22/07

NOTE: ANY ERRORS OR OMISSIONS, PLEASE INFORM ME. INDIVIDUALS WHO PAY BY MAIL, MUST PROVIDE PROOF OF "07" AMA MEMBERSHIP AND A SELF ADDRESSED/STAMPED ENVELOPE.

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SIGNAL SEEKERS RADIO CONTROL CLUB INCORPORATED
(STANDING RULES)

These Standing-Rules are an adjunct to the Signal Seekers R/C Club By-Laws. As such, they shall not interfere or conflict with the By-Laws. Standing-Rules may be amended in accordance with the By-Laws, Article XII.

INITIATION FEE AND ANNUAL DUES

SR-1. Initiation Fee: A Filling Fee of thirty (\$30) is to accompany an Application. This Fee will not be credited toward the Initial Dues when the Applicant is voted into Membership. Only one Initiation Fee shall be assessed per house-hold. Previous members requesting reinstatement shall be entitled to waiver of the Initiation Fee. Such waiver must be approved by the Board of Directors.

SR-2. Annual Membership dues are as followed:

- A. An Open Members dues shall be sixty dollars (\$70) per year.**
- B. A Juniors Membership shall be one dollar (\$1) per year..**
- C. A Family Members dues shall be half (50%) the amount of an Open Members dues.**
- D. A Spouse Member dues shall be one dollar (\$1) per year.**
- E. A Disabled Members dues shall be one dollar (\$1) per year.**
- F. Dues for an Inactive Member requesting Active Membership status shall be assessed per SR-2A through SR-2D.**
- G. For New Members voted in between January and June will be assessed Full Membership dues. Those voted in between July and November will be assessed Half Membership dues. Junior, Spouse, and Disabled Members will not be prorated.**
- H, AMA Membership dues shall be paid by the Member. The AMA Charter Fee shall be paid by the Club.**
- J, Dues cannot be accepted unless Member shows a current AMA Membership and has no outstanding debts owing to the Club.**
- K. Dues are for one year in advance and are for the year beginning January 1 through December 31 of the same calender year. Dues are payable as of January of each year with a cut-off date at the end of the regular meeting in March. Members, not meeting this requirement will be assessed a late fee of twenty dollars (\$20.00). Also, if they are receiving a Club Newsletter by mail, it will no longer be mailed to them.**

SR-3. Expenditures by Club Officer as defined by Article X, SECTION 3., of the By-Laws, shall not exceed fifty dollars (\$50) each

Everybody's Talking!

Crack shot: It was an unbelievable fluke, but police officers in Seattle, Washington, say a shot fired by a cop went directly into the chamber of a gun pointed at him by an angry man. The man had not fired his gun at the police officer, but the location of the cop's bullet proved the man was aiming his gun at him, said Deputy Police Chief Clark S. Kimerer. "I've not seen anything like it in my 24 years on the force," Kimerer said. Police had ordered the man to put his gun down, but he refused.

Cool chairs: An Anchorage, Alaska, entrepreneur is building custom-designed wheelchairs featuring super-cool features. Bill Lasher Jr. says young people especially don't appreciate having to spend their days in "crappy" wheelchairs when they're trying to be cool. So he designs chairs that turn "crappy" into "cool." His company, Lasher Sport LLC, outfits them in big wheels with fancy rims and uses tubular aluminum to build the frame, which he paints in sharp colors like purple or teal. He designs decorative footrests and fancy side-guards. Lasher, 37 and in a wheelchair himself, says his chairs "are something you can go out and be seen in."

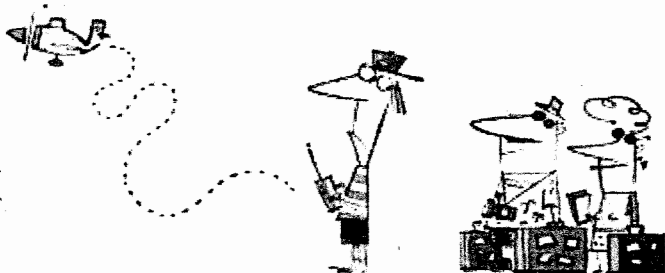
Dog friendly: Dogs may soon be able to ride in comfort, thanks to the design team at Honda. They've come up with a new concept car called a WOW, and it should make dogs' tails wag in delight. Tiny dogs can travel safely in a mesh-covered kennel in the spot where the glove box usually goes. Two of the six seats in the automobile convert into dog crates and there is a built-in water bowl. The floor is wood rather than carpet for easier cleanup. With dogs becoming increasingly common passengers, the design makes sense, says Beverley Cuddy, editor of *Dogs Today* magazine.

Mad for peas: Pam Phillips of Chale Green, England, has broken a weird addiction - not to alcohol or cigarettes, but to frozen peas. The 64-year-old housewife routinely ate a pound of peas a day. By her calculations, that was about four tons of the round green goodies over the course of two decades. Phillips only weighs about 140 pounds herself, so all that pea-eating hasn't packed on the pounds. She would grab handfuls of the peas every time she went past the refrigerator. The addiction stemmed from eating frozen peas to ease a sore throat. "They felt lovely," she says, adding she's finally got her passion for peas under control, but can't imagine not eating peas.

Quoteable Quotes

"You can do what you have to do, and sometimes you can do it even better than you think you can." ~ Jimmy Carter

"Quiet minds cannot be perplexed or frightened, but go on in fortune or misfortune at their own private pace, like a clock during a thunderstorm." ~ Robert Louis Stevenson



Did You Know...

Flying high: In 1967, a flock of whooper swans was spotted by an airline pilot and picked up on radar flying at an altitude of 27,000 feet. That's higher than any other bird has ever been witnessed flying.

Other uses: There was a time when men wore very stiff shirt collars. They were made from the same fabric that was eventually used to make women's crinolines, worn under dresses to give the skirts fullness.

Good suggestion: When the first of Ian Fleming's James Bond novels was turned into a movie in 1962, the author suggested that composer-entertainer Hoagy Carmichael take the role of Agent 007. He was outvoted and Sean Connery got the role instead.

Hot wheels: The world is full of fancy cars, but the place to find the highest concentration of fancy ones is in Monaco. In that tiny country, one in every 65.1 people gets behind the wheel of a Rolls Royce, a survey conducted in the 1990s showed.



On the Lighter Side

Seventy-five percent of statisticians are 90% confident 52% of the time.

My wife never tells me what to do. Usually, she just points! Why is it called a "garage door opener" when, in fact, it opens and closes the door?

If we know the speed of light, why hasn't the speed of dark been calculated?

I'm proud to say that my wife lets me run some things around the house...errands, the lawnmower, dishwasher...

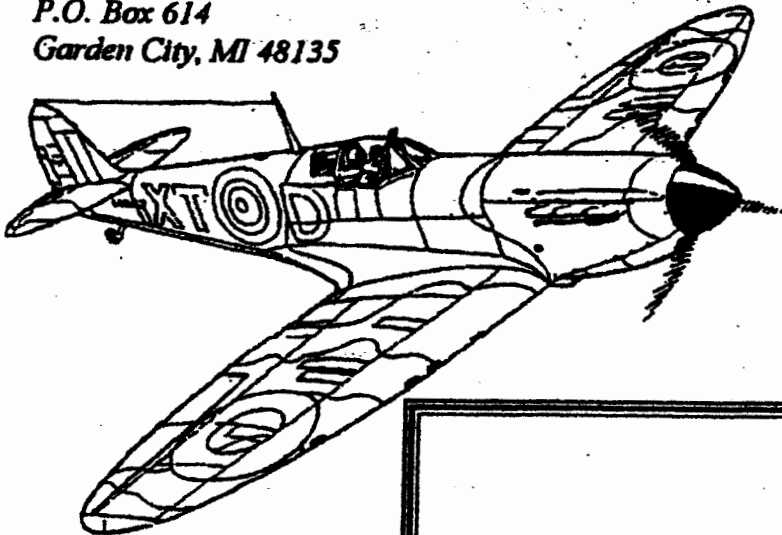
He who hesitates is lost, and probably several miles from the next freeway exit.

Learn from the mosquito; it never waits for an opening; it makes one!

Why are Yellow Freight trucks painted orange?



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