



# Balsa Dust

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★ ★ ★ ★ ★ **NEXT MEETING** ★ ★ ★ ★ ★  
**DATE:** Thursday, October 11, 2007  
**LOCATION:** East Bloomfield Town Hall  
**TIME:** 7:30 p.m.

## GVAM Annual Dinner October 20th

**Prez Sez**

### It's Fall do you know where your winter project is?

Yep, it's that time of year. The days are getting shorter and the weather colder. It's time to think about that winter project. I've got mine picked out but what about you. I know we have a lot of members who like the ARFs, me included. But there is just something about starting with a pile of wood and ending up with something that can fly! I don't care if it's one of the great laser cut kits that practically fall together, a plans built model where you make your own kit or that project that has been sitting around for ever waiting for the attention that it deserves. Just build something!

I know for myself, I feel a great deal of accomplishment and pride after spending an evening framing up a wing or tail and then just sitting back and looking at what I did. It almost reminds me of being a kid again when you would do or build something and show it off to all your friends and family. Wasn't that a great feeling? So why not get that feeling for yourself and build your own plane. Oh, and have Charlie build it for you doesn't count.

My winter project is a plane that was given to me several years ago and kept getting put off. It's an amphibian seaplane that was started by another builder. The fuselage and tail are started but a lot of work still remains. The plans were originally from a kit but only the plans remain so a lot of parts will have to be manufactured by yours truly. My goal is to have it ready for the April meeting next Spring. Wish me luck!

See you all at the "Ladies Night Out" dinner.

**Max**

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## At The Field

By Glenn Crocker

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The interclub picnic was a washout this year. After the string of good weather it was a shame Sunday was a monsoon. We did have 5 members of RCCR show up and there were 5 or 6 of us so we said what the heck and had a picnic. Jim and Jerry Joseph flew their electrics while standing under the shelter and Max flew his glow job (the red one) in the pouring rain. I was concerned someone might see us and drop a net over us.

We have had some great weather in September with club members taking full advantage of it. We are still going to the lake Tuesday's and Friday's. The leaves are starting to change so it can get very interesting keeping track of the planes with the trees as a background.

Joe. the Flight Line Food Critic was proposing running his engine on spaghetti sauce. Rather than worrying about what nitro content to use he would be worrying about what garlic concentration to use. The lubricant would be easy. Olive oil of course!

The mower has had an oil and filter change and is ready for another season. Normally you do this after mowing season but no one wanted to do this task in November or December. The field has looked like a golf course most of the season. Even during the dry stretch. We learned something this year we will apply next year. We had not been rolling because of the dry weather and hard ground. We rolled a few days prior to the interclub picnic out of desperation and to our surprise it did some good. So next year we will do more rolling regardless of the dry weather.

We still have some good flying weather left so take advantage of it before the white stuff moves in.

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## Calendar of Events

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**20 Oct:** Ladies Night Out at Cheap Charlie's

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## Terror Alert

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This is a Terror Alert for the folks in the warmer climate. The Titusville Terror, aka. Tom (crazy legs) Brown will be heading south the 29<sup>th</sup> of October. We have not been able to do anything to make him fit into civil society so you guys are on your own. We did get him to fly (his own plane) with his thumb off the rudder and he made some fantastic landings. It's too bad he had his eyes closed and could not enjoy the moment.

We have enjoyed his excellent advice and coaching and now it is your turn to deal with it.

Enjoy your winter!

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## Thank You Mowing Volunteers

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On behalf of the club I would like to thank the mowing volunteers for their support this year. The field has looked like a golf course this summer despite the dry weather. I know the other club members appreciated your efforts.

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## First Annual Sky Rovers Auction

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**Date:** October 27

**Location:** Phelps Community Ctr. 8 Banta St.

**Time:** Doors open at 10 AM. Auction at noon.

**Admission:** \$5 per person. Ladies and children under 12 free.

**More information:** Contact Dave Reid **315-548-3779** or [dreid@fft.net](mailto:dreid@fft.net)

*I have a map I can email. Contact GVAM Newsletter Ed.*

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## Rubber Band Storage

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Here is a good way to store your rubber bands. Just put them in a Ziploc bag and cover them with talcum powder or cornstarch. This will soak up the excess oil and condition the rubber and help them last longer.

*From Jim's RC.com*

## 2007 GVAM Annual Dinner

Date: October 20<sup>th</sup> 2007

Location: Cheap Charlies Resturant  
8 Elm Street  
Bloomfield, NY

Time: 6:30 PM

Selection: Roast Beef, Grilled Ham, and  
Broiled Haddock, Desert.

Cost: \$16.00 each

We will be contacting you to see if you are planning to attend and what your dinner selection will be.



These guys must be the Judges. That is the quietest I have seen Tom.



Dana getting ready to enjoy the calm water at Canadice.



Cecil B. D'Judd checking to see if he got the shot.



Trevor assembling the PBY for a flight.



Joe flying the Pizza box with his new transmitter..



PBY ready for take off. I believe Trevor said it has a 12 foot wing span.



Joe, Trevor and Charlie under the canopy at the interclub picnic aka float fly.



Max is taking his Hurricane for a walk. The plane flew great. Of course Max had a little to do with that.



A water soaked electric after a flight.



This is a dedicated Bills and NASCAR fan. John checks in between flights.



Jim taking advantage of the shelter while getting a flight on his electric.



Jim getting ready for a flight on his geriatric plane.



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