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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Christmas is over, bummer. I'm just kid enough to wish it went on all year. Anyway, I hope all of you had a very Merry Christmas complete with all the airplane stuff you wanted. (Remember, there's no such thing as too many airplanes. That's my position and I'm sticking to it).

For those who missed the December meeting, you missed a really great presentation by Doc Bailey of Renegade Light Sport Aircraft. He has a business at the Lee's Summit Airport that builds full scale airplanes that are really amazing. And, he is an advocate of R/C modeling. Hopefully we can get together and get drawings of some of his planes to model. He seemed interested in having some large models of his planes built by our members. At the January meeting there will be a guest speaker who is an engine specialist, with a large personal collection of model airplane engines. 'Should be another great program. Plan to attend.

Our annual appreciation dinner will be on January 19th. POC is Duane Hulen. This will be a pot luck affair and everyone is encouraged to bring two covered dishes. At the December meeting we were able to secure Jimmy C's daughter-in-law for a return engagement. She has kindly agreed to give a follow-up presentation about the Mars Rover she helped develop for NASA. You really want to be present for this, she's a great speaker. And, as usual we will be awarding a couple of really attractive plaques to a couple of our members for their special contributions to the club. We hope you will join us to make this presentation special.

The fly-in schedule is set for 2013 and CD's have been selected. It looks like we'll have some really good events that should appeal to everyone.

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## NEXT MEETING

### January 16, 2012

### 7:00 p.m.

### EAA Hangar Bldg.

### LS Airport

# MEETING MINUTES

December 2012

The December KCRC club meeting, held at the EAA Hanger at the Lee's Summit airport, was called to order by President Susan Calvin at 7:00 P.M. The Officers in attendance were: President Susan Calvin, Vice-President Gary Fisher, Treasurer Tom Safley and Secretary John Midgorden. There were sixteen other club members present.

Minutes of the November club meeting were approved as published in the *Contacts*.

## Officer's Reports:

*President:* No report

*Vice-President:* Next month's program will be Jim Duncan, the engine collector.

*Treasurer:* The club has received \$370 dollars so far from table reservations at the Swap and Shop Meet.

*Secretary:* No report

## Old Business:

EAA Meeting: Ed Baucom and Susan Calvin reported that they had given the appreciation plaque at a recent EAA meeting. They were received warmly and received many supportive comments regarding KCRC. The EAA will be putting the plaque on the wall in the meeting room.

2013 Events: Joe Cygan reported he had met with Parks and Recreation to receive approval of the KCRC events in 2013.

Annual Dinner: The dinner was discussed and everyone was reminded that the Club provides the meat, and members bring a couple of covered dishes for the dinner. The gathering time will be 6:00 P.M. with the dinner to begin at 6:30 P.M. During the meeting there was overwhelming sentiment to have Jim Cianciolo's daughter-in-law return and make a follow-up presentation on the recent Mar's Rover. Jim received confirmation during the meeting of her willingness. A motion was made and seconded to present Alicia Dwyer Cianciolo with a \$100 gift certificate as an honorarium.

Shop and Swap: Craig White announced that he had found a solution to the speaker stands for around \$25. Craig was given approval to purchase the items in time for the Swap and Shop event.

## New Business

Programs: The following program suggestions were offered.

Susan has talked to a member of the local Commemorative Air Force wing and they would be willing to provide a program for KCRC.

Ed Baucom mentioned that the TWA Museum in the old Howard Hughes hanger at the downtown airport is a very interesting place to see. Having a meeting down there could be a possible field trip for club members. Ed agreed to check into this possibility. He also said he would contact the Airline History Museum to see what they might offer in the way of a tour.

KCRC PR: Duane Hulen suggested we need to do something about our public relations. There appear to be a few people who have various complaints about our club. Joe Cygan suggested we have an executive meeting to discuss the issue. Susan asked that the executive board meet on January 6<sup>th</sup> at Fun House Pizza 6 P.M. in Lee's Summit.

District 6 of the AMA: Jim brought up the fact that Randy Cameron from Springfield recently won the election for District VI VP. Jim has accepted the role of Associate VP again and will be meeting with the district officers, probably in March.

Contest Director Needed. The Big Bird event scheduled for July 27<sup>th</sup> needs a contest director. It was mentioned that Larry Smith may be willing to CD the event.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded.

## Meeting Program

Susan introduced Doc Bailey of Renegade Light Sport Aircraft. Doc gave a very interesting and informative presentation on a variety of LSA (Light Sport Aircraft) that his company produces, or will shortly be producing.

Respectfully submitted

John Midgorden, Secretary

## KCRC 2013 EVENTS

Jan 1 Max Klotz Icicle Fly-in

### Jan 19 KCRC Member Dinner

Feb 9 KCRC Swap-n-Shop

Jun 29 KCRC- All Electric Fun Fly

Jul 27 KCRC Big Bird Fun Fly

Aug 17 KCRC Club Day Fun Fly

Sep 7 KCRC Warbird Fly-In

## KCRC Apparel

Please contact Dan Olson if you would like to purchase any of the following:

**HATS:** White or Navy, one size.....\$10.00 each

**T-Shirts:** club standard, Med., LG, XL....\$14.00 each

Discontinued (sale) 2X, 3X, 4X .....\$7.00 each

**Polo Shirts:** Med. Only.....25.00 each

**Hooded Sweatshirt:** Navy, LG, XL.....\$34.00 each

2X.....\$36.00 each

**Satin Baseball Jacket** (old style, discontinued)

SALE LG....\$40.00 each

**Windbreaker Jacket:** Navy, LG, XL....\$30.00 each

2X.....\$32.00 each

Small Logo patch.....\$2.00 each

Large Logo patch.....\$7.50 each

Rectangular KCRC patch.....\$2.00 each

Decal Sheet (9 KCRC decals / sheet) ...\$10.00 sht.

Battery Test Meter .....\$12.00 each

## KCRC Bulletin Board

### January Meeting Program

Jim Dunkin will give a program at the January meeting on the Dennymite engine. Jim is a well known model engine collector and author. Two of Jim's books are *Dennymites, Drones & More* and *Reference Book of International .15ci/2.5cc Model Airplane Engines*. Jim's presentation will include the story of Walter Righter and the development of the Dennymite engine. Also included in the program will be some information on WW2 target drones and drone engines.

Jim also plans to bring a display of his collection of Dennymites. Jim will bring a supply of his books to the meeting to make them available to anyone interested in purchasing them.

## 2013 Dues are Due!!!

## 2013 Member Appreciation Dinner

The annual KCRC Member Appreciation Dinner will be January 19th at 6:00 at the Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, 15 SE Todd George Rd, Lee's Summit.

Dinner will be start at 6:30. There will be door prizes and lots of fun and a very interesting program on the Mars Rover "Curiosity". It is requested that members bring two covered dishes or one dish and a desert. The club will provide the meat and refreshments.

This will be a very special event, so you don't want to miss this!!! (see special program info. on page 7).

### President's Message—Continued (from page 1)

Check the "Contacts" for more information. Our next big event is the Swap Meet (Swap & Shop) on 9 February 2013. Duane Hulen and Tom Safely are the POC's for this event. Contact them if you can help as a volunteer. Plan to attend, and bring lots of money so we can make this another great event. There was discussion at the December meeting about future programs, and some of them look very promising. However, member input is still needed. If you have suggestions, we have ears. Bring your suggestions to the next meeting. 'Hope to see you there. Susan

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Contributions to this publication are encouraged from all KCRC members. Please send all articles, announcements, "For Sale" items, etc. to the Editor for consideration. Publication of member submissions are subject to the Editors discretion.

# Safety Briefing

By Susan Calvin

Someone once observed that we're creatures of habit. (It's amazing how well some folks grasp the obvious). Nevertheless, we all do certain things, perhaps a great many things, without giving much thought to them. One example, given by one of my college professors, had to do with driving in the rain. How many times have we leaned forward over the steering wheel in an attempt to see further down the road? Has it ever occurred to us that by doing so, we extend our vision by only a few inches, and not the hundreds of feet we really want? And yet, such behavior is a "normal" habit for all of us. Habits tend to rule our lives in ways of which we are grossly unaware. So, what constitutes a habit?

A quick look at Wikipedia reveals this definition. "Habits are routines of behavior that are repeated regularly and tend to occur subconsciously". (Butler, Gillian; Hope, Tony. *Managing Your Mind: The mental fitness guide*. Oxford Paperbacks. 1995). In the field of aviation, this can be a good thing. Aircraft tend to be complex systems requiring constant management. As long as things are going well we can manage our airplanes with minimal mental effort. It's when things start getting out of hand that aircraft management can become overwhelmingly complicated. That's where habits come in. Every professional pilot, especially those in the military, can attest that the practice of forming, and reinforcing, good habits regarding emergency procedures is a lifelong process. Sudden excursions from normal operation hardly ever give us time to ponder the appropriate response. Good habits, once formed, are the tool we need to deal with emergencies quickly, without conscious thought.

Forming good habits requires effort. We first have to be aware that a habit is needed, and then act on that need. Because need is involved there must also be a reward for satisfying that need. To sustain the desired habit repetition of performance is essential. (As I mentioned in a previous "Safety Briefing", meaningful repetition aids recall). The goal is to develop a beneficial, sustained behavioral response that essentially occurs automatically, as if on auto pilot. To this end a useful principle espoused by psychologists states that "30 days makes a habit."

That's the upside. The other side of the coin is that we spend much of our lives creating bad habits. These are routine behaviors that make things worse for us. We all have them. At best, bad habits are a harmless, and sometimes embarrassing, nuisance. At worst they cause accidents and injury. The bad news is that first learned habits can never be completely eliminated. The good news is that they can be overwritten, and firmly repressed with good habits. Again, this starts with awareness, followed with the will to change, substitution of desired behavior (new habits), reinforcement of the new behavior by repetition (remember 30 days makes a habit), and reward for our effort. (One of the best rewards is giving ourselves a mental "Atta boy" for our new habit. A positive mental image, if you will).

In a few short months we will begin a new flying season. Now is a great time to reflect on the past flying season and identify any habits that need changing/improving to make our flying activities safer. If the process of developing good habits, or changing/improving bad habits is begun now, it will be completed in time to make the coming flying season more enjoyable for all of us.

*Susan*

# KCRC 2013 Membership Application

## Kansas City Radio Control Association

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If applying by mail, send this completed form and fee to:  <b>Tom Safley</b> <b>3219 Thornbird St.</b> <b>Blue Springs, MO 64015</b>	Please renew your membership early Send AMA dues directly to:  <b>AMA Membership</b> <b>5161 E. Memorial Drive</b> <b>Muncie, IN 47302-9252</b> (You must be an AMA member to join KCRC)
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New Membership     Membership Renewal (Enter name, AMA number, any changed information, Membership type, amount and sign)

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
Email address: \_\_\_\_\_  
AMA Number? \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership Type** (Please check one)  
**Open Membership \$30.00 (\$15.00 after July 1; New member only)**  
**Junior Membership \$12.00 (16 years old or younger)**  
**Family Membership (All family members in one household) \$40.00**

**R** Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(DO NOT send CASH by mail, make checks payable to KCRC)

**I have reviewed a copy of the Kansas City Radio Control Association Club Bylaws and Constitution. I AGREE to follow all of the Constitution rules and regulations.**

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**REMEMBER: You must be a current AMA member and have a current year JCPR (Jackson County Parks & Rec.) R/C Park permit to fly at any JCPR location.**

AMA No. \_\_\_\_ Club Roster \_\_\_\_ Card \_\_\_\_ AMA Roster \_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_



# KC/RC SWAP-N-SHOP

<http://www.kcradiocontrol.com>

**Saturday February 09, 2013**

**9:00 AM—4:00 PM**

**Over 14,000 Square Feet!  
R/C Planes-Boats-Helicopter-Cars  
Buy-Sell-Trade**



**Overland Park International  
Trade Center  
(same as last year)  
6800 W. 115th Street, Overland Park, KS**

**Take 1-435 Exit Metcalf Ave  
Take Metcalf Ave South to 115 St  
Take 115 St. to Trade Center  
Look for KCRC Swap Meet Signs**

**Admission \$5.00**

Kids Under 12 Free

**Concessions Available**

Walk-Up Registration begins at 8:00 AM  
Doors open for Vendor setup at 8:00 AM  
Buyers at 9:00 AM

Mail Registration Form and Fee to:

Duane Hulen  
KC/RC Swap-N-Shop  
1020 SE 11th  
Lees Summit, MO 64081

Pre-Registration is Recommended. Tables sell out fast!

Questions? Call Duane at 816.516.4526 or [drhulen@sbcglobal.net](mailto:drhulen@sbcglobal.net)

## Vendor Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Tables Wanted	Qty	Price
<input type="checkbox"/> 4 Foot Table	_____	\$12.50
<input type="checkbox"/> 8 Foot Table	_____	\$25.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 8 Foot Wall Table	_____	\$30.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional Vendor Admission	_____	\$5.00

**Make Checks Payable to KC/RC** Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_  
**NO Cash Please!**

**Vendor Badges**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_

**LAST DATE FOR PRE-REGISTRATION—Jan 19, 2013  
ALL TABLE LOCATIONS WILL BE ASIGNED BY KC/RC.  
ONE VENDOR ADMISSION WITH EACH 4' TABLE**

# NASA Engineer to Address KCRC at Annual Dinner !!

Alicia Dwyer Cianciolo, NASA engineer on the Mars Scientific Laboratory, will present the program about the Mars Lander at the Annual KCRC Dinner on January 19th. Alicia addressed the membership last year just a few weeks after the Mars Atlas rocket lifted off from Cape Canaveral on its way to Mars. After an eight month journey, the Mars rover, nicknamed "Curiosity", made a dramatic and successful landing on August 6th. Alicia is an EDL (Entry, Descent, Landing) team member. She spent 3 weeks at Jet Propulsion Laboratory before the landing and she was in the mission control room during the Rover touchdown. Since then, many KCRC members have been asking, "So what happened? How well did it work? What has been happening since August? And, what happens next?" Alicia again agreed to speak to our members and answer your questions. She is a very interesting speaker and provides a rare opportunity to tell us about one of mankind's most historic achievements . So please come to the dinner, enjoy your family and friends and listen to a real rocket scientist.

## 2013 Icicle Fly-In



On January 1st, 2013 a few KCRC brave souls gathered at the Charlie W. Reed III Memorial Field for the annual Max Klotz Icicle Fly. Some of the bravest arrived around 8:30 or 9:00. Many others arrived between 9:00 and 10:00. The temperature was about 18° at that time. By the time I (Yours Truly, Editor) got there, there were a couple of pots of chili already on a coleman stove. Most of the planes that were brought were all outfitted with skis. Some of the skis were homemade, but I saw at least one set of factory produced skis that actually were very well made, adjustable and were spring loaded so that they hung nose high while the plane was in the air. There was a warm fire going in the "burn barrel", so anyone with frozen fingers could go and defrost to their hearts content. As soon as they were warm again their plane was back into the air. One plane (I can't remember whose) lost a ski while still in the air. They brought the plane in with the wounded leg high and made a successful landing with no harm to the plane. Excellent!!! Everyone had as much chili as they could hold and the "crowd" started thinning out about 11:30. At that time the temperature was about 25°. See you there next year!



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