



# Gallatin Eagles RC FLYING CLUB

## New Years Day Fun Fly

Unlike most months, I'm sending this newsletter out after the first of the month so I can report on our annual New Years Day event!

It was pretty well attended this year. Snow at the field was in good shape for those using skis or floats on their airplanes, and the runway was well plowed - thank you Ralph Smith for doing that! The temperature was mid 20's with little or no wind, so flying simply required the right clothing.

Our lunch was again provided by Brian Westberg, a big pot of his fabulous chili. Thanks Brian!

Chuck Banta had new 2025 membership cards ready for all who's dues are paid. If you haven't renewed your membership, please consider doing it sooner rather than later. It's also a good time to make sure your AMA membership is current.

Happy New Year,  
Stan Johnson

## Gallatin Eagles Upcoming Events 2025

January 11, Saturday, 10:00 AM, Meeting at the field.

(Monthly meetings during winter will be held at 10 AM on the 2nd Saturday of the month. This allows us to meet in the daylight, and maybe catch some air time!)

For more information on club events see our website: [gallatineagles.org/calendar](http://gallatineagles.org/calendar)



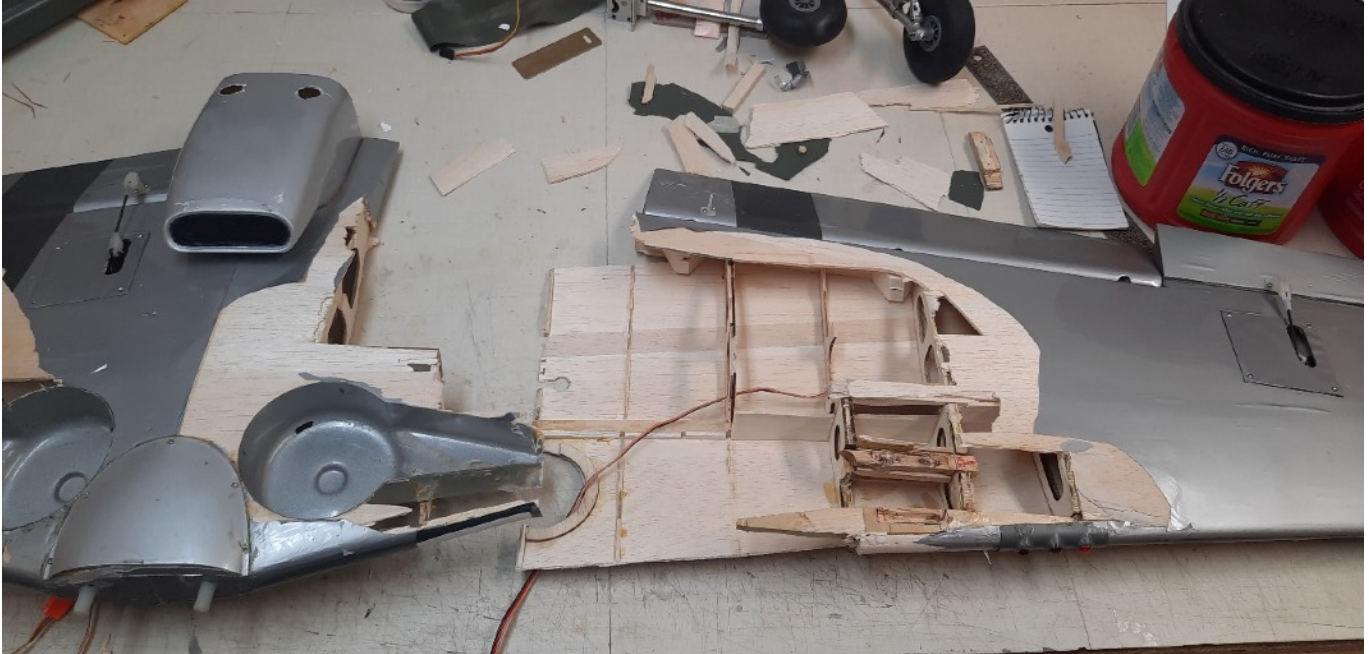
Destry re-positions his airplane for another flight

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**Larry's Log,**

I hope Santa was good to you and you received everything you wanted.

I had a chance to rebuild a P51 (again) for a pilot not to be named. Warbirds are not forgiving when it comes to low-speed turns. You must remove all the damaged material to decide how to approach. Anything can be fixed with proper planning and a step-by-step approach to tackle something that looks impossible. I love a challenge.



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Well, building season is upon us. I had an extra “You Can Do 3D” wing and a tail group. Missing?? The fuselage. I think a sudden stop crunched the previous one. Surprise, surprise!! Since I had a good .46 size plane, I was able to copy and build a new fuselage from scratch. This time, I decided to electrify it. I plan to use a 50-size motor with a 6 cell 5000mA battery. The canopy and forward deck are one unit and held on by magnets. Plenty of room for the “brick” battery and radio. I’m reusing the old cowling, gear and canopy. Unfortunately, I won’t get it done for the New Years Day Fly In.

Bring your winter project to the fly in.  
Keep on Flying!!  
Larry Nelson





Above: Club members readying their airplanes for flight.



Left: Larry prepares for another flight.

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