### July, 2023

#### Newsletter



Hello

Happy Fourth of July!

We will be having our Appreciation Lunch July 8<sup>th</sup> at Noon at the flying field. This luncheon is for our club members to bring out their significant other or supporter of your hobby to say thank you. The club will buy their lunch and the member pays \$20. We are going to get the food from The Olive Garden like last year so it will be worth the attendance. This will be RSVP so we know how much to get. Please email, text or call me so I can have a head count by July 5th. This is a perfect time to show off our field and meet other members and yes, bring a plane show your person that you really do fly. If you have any questions, please reach out to me. I am looking forward to seeing you all out there. Gallatin Eagles Upcoming Events: July:

Pilot Training at field. Every Tuesday, 5:00 PM - ?

- 8, Saturday Appreciation lunch! 10:00 AM Socializing begins, Lunch at noon!
- 13, Tuesday, 7:15 PM, Meeting at the field. Come early, stay late for some flying!

For more information on club events see our website: <u>gallatineagles.org/calendar</u>

Lee has been doing a great job on the mowing as usual, the field looks nice, thank you for your work. Last Sunday I had some time to spray some weeds, weed eat and mow the west fence line. Don't forget it just takes a few moments from a few to keep up on the little things.

I found a good deal on a propeller Ceiling fan for the Clubhouse to move some air around in summer and winter. it has a remote and comes on with the lights.

Our field camera is up and running again, it is a new one but just like the old one. In the Reolink App you will have to delete the old camera and add a new one the password is Eagleeye1 and you will need the UID# which is 95270004WW7UI9ZA

Our club member Ruslan reached out to me to ask if anyone has a room for rent starting in August for about a month. if anyone has room or knows someone who does please let me know, i can get you his information.

Our Battle of the Mountains combat meet is coming July 15th. This is a fun event to watch and participate in. This event also requires around ten extra people to help judge and be a spotter. No experience required, bring a hard hat if you have one or one will be supplied. Please reach out if you can help, it really makes the day go better and free lunch will be provided to you. If you have any questions, you can also reach out to Brian or Stan. We will also be drawing the winning Raffle ticket for the 110-inch Rascal that day so don't forget to buy your tickets.

Lots of things happening, See you at the field.



New fan and controller!



## Safety Reminder

One of my goals this summer was to fly all of the planes that I own at least once this year. I went to the field last Tuesday with my Showtime that I have owned for years and have only flown 2 times. I balanced the receiver pack and it was showing 600 MAH. This was in spec so I gave it an overnight charge on Monday. I got to the field and assembled the plane, fueled it up, and started it. I was adjusting the carb on my radio because of high idle. I got it where I wanted and was about to taxi out when I noticed that I had no control with the radio. I choked it out and did the first rule of tech support and turned it off and back on again. As it turns out the receiver pack was shot. I was not expecting that as I did what was the correct procedure by cycling the pack. I guess the moral of the story is get yourself a load tester and test your receiver packs before each flight. If I'd man- aged to get this plane in the air and the radio failed after take off, there is no telling where the plane would have finally made touchdown. I now have a brand new pack in it and plan to fly it next Tuesday, weather permitting.

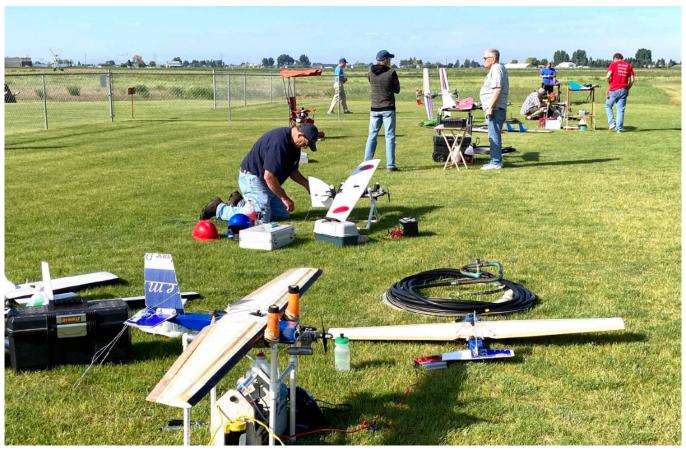
Another reminder is to check the East end of the runway. The lower sweat lodge folks have been showing up at random times and like to park right in our approach line. If that happens we can do a couple of things:

1. pack it up and fly another day.

2. NICELY go over and let them know that you are flying. Politely ask them to park further away from our approach and be aware that low flying planes will be in that area.

If you choose option 2 and they give you any grief at all please revert to option 1 above. We do not need any conflicts with our neighbors. Landing from the West is not always an option as the wind dictates which way we go. It is never a good idea to land downwind, especially if there are people at the other end of the runway.

Ron Banta



Morning flight line set up at The Turkey Shoot in Idaho Falls, June 10, 2023.

## RC Combat

While we were having daily rain in Bozeman, Idaho Falls was enjoying sunny weather! We had 10 rounds of Open B competition. Seven pilots including Phil Battle, Brian Westberg and myself from Bozeman. First place went to Phil Battle, I took second and Scott Stringham (Salt Lake) got third.

Thanks to Randy Shiosaki for running another fun event and to the Desert Eagles flying club for use of their field!

Don't miss our 'Battle for the Mountains (see flyer, next page) this month!

Stan Johnson

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# Presents Battle for the Mountains

Saturday July 15, 2023 10927 Kelly Canyon Road, Bozeman, MT 59715



6 rounds each Open-B & 2610 Scale.

Registration & pilots meeting 9-10am, Carnage begins 10am. AMA & **hardhat** required for pilots and judges.

All AMA & RCCA rules followed. Test your skills in a challenging mountain environment. \$20 pilot fee for either event. \$30 for both.

RCCA sanctioned event. National points awarded. (Note: You do not have to be an RCCA member to participate)

COMPLIMENTARY LUNCH FOR ALL REGISTERED CONTESTANTS and JUDGES (\$5.00 for spectators)

This is an event well suited for spectators! Lots of action! Radio controlled "combat" aircraft are flown in heats of 4 or more, each towing a 30 foot streamer of crepe paper. Each pilot gains points by severing a competitors' streamer while trying to protect their own. Extreme maneuvering and frequent mid-air collisions result!

Anyone interested in radio controlled flying will want to see this.