



BCRC Flyer

Monthly Newsletter of AMA Chartered Club No. 4779



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Flight Leaders

President – Rob Weismiller
Vice President – Philip Foiles
Secretary/Treasurer – Greg Emerick
Field Marshall – Bryan Swank, interim
Safety Coordinator – Mark Dudley
Intro Pilot Program – Bryan Swank
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Where We Meet

During the cold weather seasons, we meet at **El Nopal** restaurant on Hwy 31. We start at 6:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday each month. Come at six if you want to order food and enjoy dinner before the meeting.



October Meeting Well Attended



The back room at El Nopal restaurant was the scene of lively talk and good eats on Tuesday, October 7. With family guests plus members the attendance count reached twenty-one.



Kellem Dougherty's family came to witness his First Solo Flight award presentation. On the left side of the table, we see: Ike Dougherty (Dad), Alison Dunfee (Mom), Sharon Dunfee (Grandma). Opposite them: Kellem Dougherty and John Dunfee (Grandpa).

Club Business



October 7, 2025, Meeting Minutes

Notes from Greg Emerick and Cynthia Scott

At El Nopal Restaurant, we (21 attendees) began with the Pledge of Allegiance and a motion to accept last month's meeting minutes as printed in the newsletter. The motion passed.

Officer Reports

President – Rob Weismiller.

- Columbus Police Department has not yet used our field for their drone training program.
- We have a new webmaster: Cynthia Scott

Vice President – Philip Foiles

- Philip is working on the AMA Flying Site Improvement grant application. He also believes the Columbus Police Department will fund 25% of our improvement project costs.
- Another grant may cover the \$1,500 + cost for an AED, an automated external defibrillator device designed to analyze the heart rhythm and deliver an electric shock to victims of ventricular fibrillation to restore the heart rhythm to normal.

Treasurer / Secretary – Greg Emerick reports we are solvent. We have a new member who joined us in September, Carl Sexton. He is active in the intro pilot training program & learning to fly well. We are up to 55 total members, 12 youth, 43 adult paid members. (*Correction to last month's meeting minutes, as of the previous month we actually had 42 members, not 47. Carl joining brings us up to 43 adult paid members & 12 youth members.*)

Field Marshall - Bryan Swank, Interim:

Progress on the New Flight Line benches: The new prototype is out at the flying field now. It looks like a great design & very robust to the weather. Half the materials need to make more benches have been purchased. We have funds for 7 out of 8 planned flight benches from these sponsors!

1. Bryan Swank & Chris Ross
2. Anonymous
3. Mike Marthaler
4. Rob Weismiller
5. Cynthia Scott
6. Ken Erickson & Bob Condiff
7. Steve Schroerer & Dave Carothers
8. Open – Donations are being accepted

October 7, 2025, Meeting Minutes

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Intro Pilot Program Coordinator – Bryan Swank presented award plaques to youth members Kellem Dougherty and Sam Engelou in recognition of their first solo flights.

New Business

- Ken Erickson reported that St Peters Lutheran church downtown has no space for us to offer **indoor flying** this winter. We need to look elsewhere for places to go.

Show & Tell – Philip Foiles showed some less-expensive accessories that enable your airplane to give a First Person View (FVP). He displayed a transmitter, battery, camera, and goggles that work together for this purpose.

Award Plaques for First Solo Flight



Bryan Swank stands between **Kellem Dougherty** (on left) and **Sam Engelou** (on right) as they display their **First Solo Flight** plaques.

Sam and his friend and family later left the meeting to celebrate his 13th birthday.

Congratulations, Sam!



October Raffle Winners



New member **Carl Sexton** won the new Zogi Fixx flying wing with all the needed accessories.

Gary Waters picked up the brand new 8 channel 2.4 GHz radio with receiver.

Stan Durnal won a bundle of propeller blades.



Editor: Did somebody also win the Falcon Mark 6?

New Youth Member

by Bryan Swank

Let's give a big welcome our newest Youth member **Luke Hauersperger**! His parents are Linda and Brian Hauersperger. Luke is 10 years old and has already started his Intro Pilot training. This photo shows Ken Erickson "buddy boxing" with Luke.



Tee-Shirt Blanket

by Mike Bealmear

This is a blanket I had made for **Leslie Kuhn**, Russ Kuhn's widow. Russ was a charter member of the club and a good friend. He passed away in November of 2023.

Leslie gave me a bunch of his T-shirts recently to give away at a club meeting, but I had a better idea. A company named **Project Repat** makes memory quilts out of T-shirts. You can learn about them at <https://www.projectrepat.com> . I strongly recommend the Project Repat company if that's something you're considering doing

The blanket came out great, and Leslie is very happy with it, and just in time for cooler weather too. Now I need one for me.



Russ Kuhn



You can also find the company at Amazon, without a forced registration.

<https://www.amazon.com/stores/ProjectRepat/page/702C8C4A-21C3-42DC-839B-E559016AD109>

Aviation History on Stamps

November is **National Aviation History Month**, a time to celebrate the contributions and achievements in aviation, from the Wright brothers' first flight to modern space exploration. The month-long observance honors aviation pioneers and the ingenuity behind flight, with events and learning opportunities available at airports, museums, and online. *–AI generated summary from the Internet.*

Key Events In Aviation History

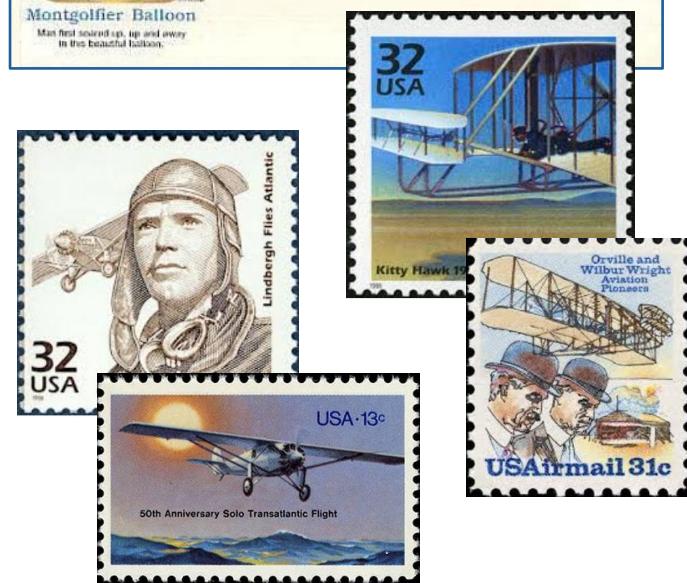
1783: The first hot-air balloon flight by the Montgolfier brothers.

1903: The Wright brothers' first successful powered flight.

1927: Charles Lindbergh's first solo transatlantic flight.

1947: Breaking the sound barrier.

1969: The Apollo 11 mission, which landed the first humans on the Moon.



These are just a few of many stamps and first day covers featuring aviation history topics.

Aviation History in Models



A stamp from India, honoring the Montgolfiere brothers.



A kit assembled by Tom Hartman before he became disabled.
Cynthia made the cube pedestal.



Mix and Match Hobbies!



Revell 03888 Bell X-1 Supersonic Aircraft

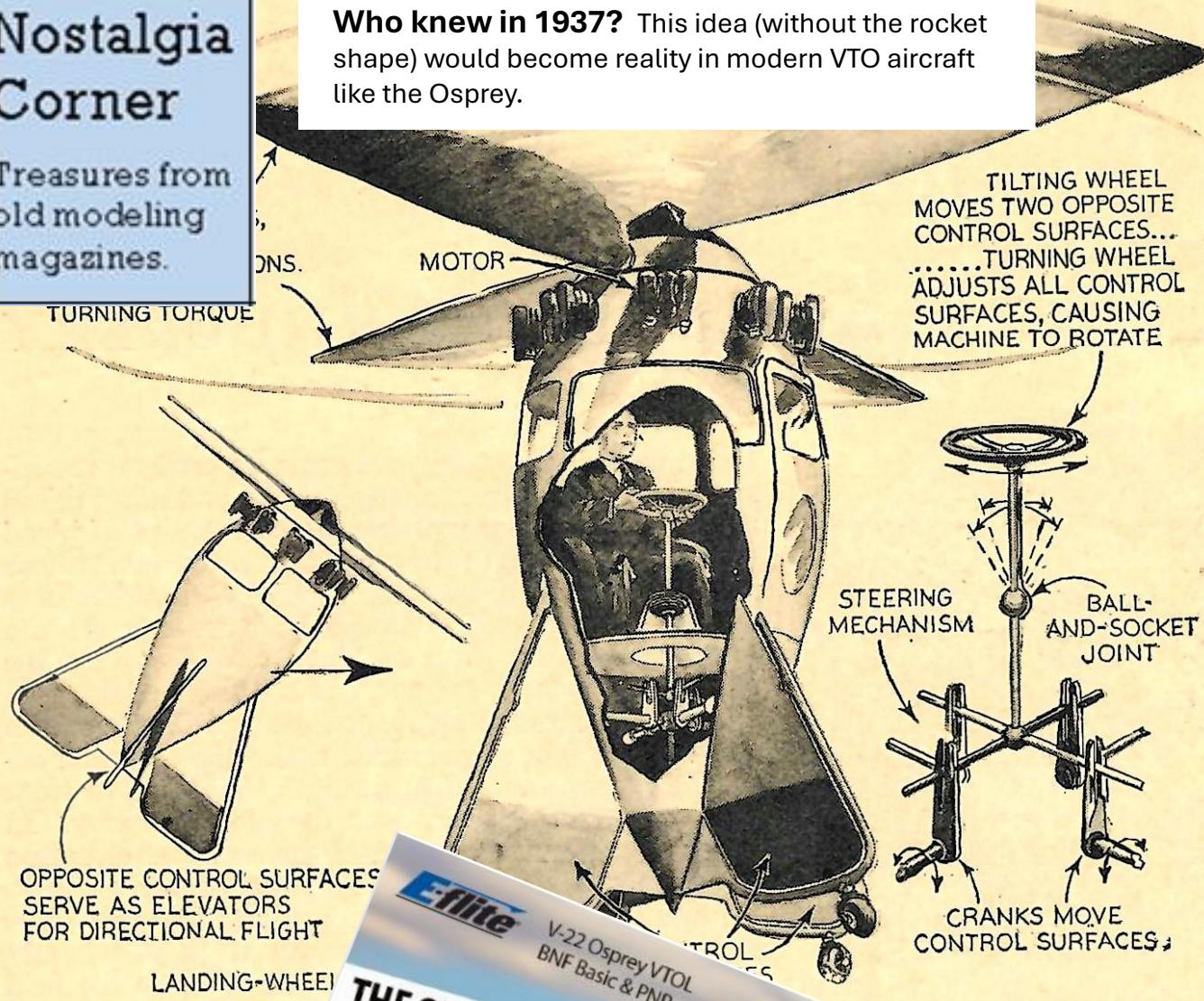


NEW HELICOPTER RESEMBLES A ROCKET

Nostalgia Corner

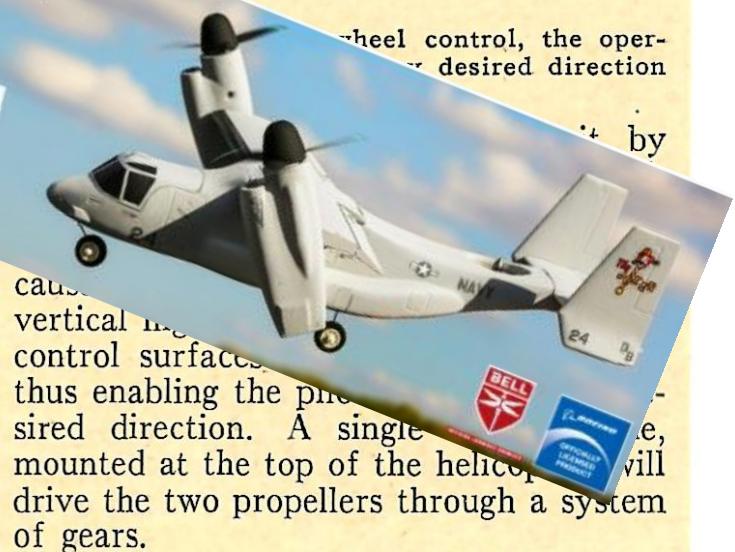
Treasures from old modeling magazines.

Who knew in 1937? This idea (without the rocket shape) would become reality in modern VTO aircraft like the Osprey.



Novel helicopter as it v
ator can vary the angle

DESIGNED to shoot v
sky like an inverted aerial
novel helicopter devised by an Indiana
inventor will have huge twin propellers spin-
ning in opposite directions at its pointed
nose. This feature overcomes the torque,
or twisting effect, of a single propeller turn-
ing at high speed. Four pneumatic caster
wheels, attached to steel brackets that
flare out from the sides of the new heli-
copter, will form the landing gear. Within
these brackets will be the stabilizers and





SIRCM SWAP MEET

SOUTHERN INDIANA R/C MODELERS

32nd ANNUAL SWAP MEET

When

Saturday Nov. 22, 2025

Where

**CLARK COUNTY 4-H COMMUNITY
BUILDING**

9608 Highway 62
Charlestown, In 47111

9:00 AM til 1:00 PM

Dealers will be admitted at 8:00 AM Buyers at 9:00 AM

\$5.00 Admission (Ladies, small children free)

Tables \$12 advanced reservations (pay at the door)

\$15 day of show (pay at the door)

FREE COFFEE AND DONUTS/COOKIES

For more information call

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How to get there

- From I-65 North or South take exit 6 East off of I-65 onto I-265E.
- Exit onto Ind. 62 and go left or east toward Charlestown. 4 H building will be on your right in about 4 miles.

