

OMAS Newsletter

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Dear OMAS Club Members,

Welcome to issue number 2 of our newsletter. We have a lot of things going on with the club. Our annual air show is the next month on August 7th and 8th. A lot of planning and hard work goes into this each year. We almost did not have it this year as the initial feeling was not enough people interested in working to make this happen. However, this changed once we got the word out and everything is a go now. In addition to the air show I expect us to have some BBQs and general fun fly events up through September.

Best wishes,
Jay

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1. Feature Article: Parkzone Messerschmitt BF-109 G

I recently purchased the Parkzone BF-109G bind and fly version. The plane has a wingspan of 39.4 inches and weighs in at 35.3 ounces. The plane came with all servos and Eflite 15 size motor installed. Also, it came with a charger and 1800mAh li-po battery.

The plane comes in two versions the bind and fly and the plug and play. The bind and fly comes with everything you need to get into the air except a transmitter. The plug and play comes with all servos, motor, speed control but no receiver battery or charger. Also, you will need a transmitter for the plug and play version.

I opened the box and had the plane flight worthy in about ½ hour and that included programming expo and end points in my radio. The only thing I had to do on the plane was install the elevator halves and hook up the linkage. The elevator halves are held in place with study clear tape. Then I installed the landing gear and wheel pants. The landing gear just snaps in place so you can remove them if you want a belly lander. You might want to put some durable clear tape on the wing tips to protect them in case of wing scrapes during landings.

The quality of the foam and paint scheme is really impressive and the plane goes together way fast. It is modeled after Eric Hartmann, Germany's leading WWII ace. So far I am very impressed with the plane, the quality of material, construction, motor and ease of build.

It is prepared for a maiden flight so next time I will let you know how it went.

Jay

Summer Schedule:

- Annual air show August 7th and 8th at OMAS field.
- Mowing schedule is on track:
 - a. August Mowing schedule:
 - i. Robyn 1-7th
 - ii. Jay 8-14th
 - iii. Nick 15-21st
 - iv. Nick 22-28th
 - v. Bishops 29-4
 - vi. Bishops 5-11th
 - b. The field looks great
 - c. Special thanks to Dave/Nate Crisman, John Vanloo, Glenn White for fixing our club bulletin board and surfacing the gravel parking and road.
- Lewis Wedding August 14th and 15th
 - a. They will have people staying down at the field so no flying the week prior to the wedding. NO FLYING AT FIELD 8/11-8/16; Lewis family camping at field.
- Pacific Coast Freestyle and American Aerobatics Grand Prix: Molalla Radio Control Association
 - a. July 30, 31 and August 1st
 - b. Link: <http://www.molrca.com/index.htm>
- Summer BBQs:
 - a. Hillsboro Hobbies want to have a free BBQ with band later in August
 - b. Expect to see some impromptu Club BBQs with fun flies later in August

Club Information:

- Changing of the guard: Chris Elliot has stepped down as president and Jay Fonville was elected. This created a few open positions in the club. Including Safety Officer, Vice president and Secretary
- Kelvin Cubbison took over editing web page.

Handy Tip:

Every had your engine go lean for no apparent reason? One possible cause is a leak in your gas tank. Maybe it is not leaking gas but sucking air-this has happened to me. A handy way to check this is to remove the tank and submerge it in a sink of water. Then blow into one line while plugging the other one/ones and watch for bubbles coming from the tank. If you find bubbles that is where your leak is.

Final Thoughts

Well volume number 2 is about finished and we are full into the flying season. Our air show is quickly approaching and I hope everyone is getting those planes tuned up and ready to fly for it. Joe V channel 12 Good Day Oregon is shooting live August 3rd at the field so we will get some good publicity. The big Hillsboro full size air shows is August 20-21st and expect to have a club fun fly/BBQ later in August (probably on 29th-will let you know). I am very impressed with the population of flyers at the field the last few times I went out to fly; parking lot almost full-keep it up. I want to personally thank all the members for the hard working putting the air show, taking care of the field, keeping things updated, and for flying. Until next time...

Jay Fonville

2. Recommended Resources

- <http://www.keleo-creations.com/>
- www.hillsborohobbyshop.com
- <http://www.molrca.com/>
- www.oregonairshow.com

3. Quote of the Week

You know the part in 'High Flight' where it talks about putting out your hand to touch the face of God? Well, when we're at speed and altitude in the SR, we have to slow down and descend in order to do that.

— *USAF Lt. Col. Gil Bertelson, SR-71 pilot, in 'SR-71 Blackbird: Stories, Tales and Legends,' 2002.*

4. Contact the Editor

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