

OMAS Newsletter

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Dear OMAS Club Members,

Well...we are at issue number 3 in the newsletter front. We had a really busy month in August with air show and finishing up all of our summer activities with the family and trying to get in as much flying before the rain starts. The air show was great. We made money and everyone I talked to loved the event indicating it was the best one yet. A club BBQ put on by your truly rounded out the month. Looking forward for September we have a lot of work to do mainly getting the board positions filled and assigned and getting in as much flying as possible before the winter rain starts.

Best wishes,
Jay

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1. Feature Article: Parkzone Messerschmitt BF-109 G

From August Newsletter:

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 planes come 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 worthier 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 it 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.

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By now I have about a dozen flights on the bf190g. It flies pretty good but a little tippy on the gear for take offs and landing. Since the gear is so close it likes to tip over and scrap the wing tip if you are not on it. I put some clear packing tape over the wing tips to prevent scrapping up the foam.

On take off, don't give it too much rudder until the tail is off of the ground or the wing tip will scrap. Also on landing keep it going straight on touch down until the speed drops or...you got it...the wing will scrape.

In the air the plane flies great! You can perform all of the standard war maneuvers and the plane has good vertical performance. The included 3 bladed prop keeps give the plane great torque to pull straight up to vertical while providing good speed.

Flight times with a 3 cell 2200mH li-po are 7 to 10 minutes. I set my timer to 7 minutes and the voltage on the cells are 3.8 volts each starting out at 4.18 volts or so. You could easily get 10 minutes on a flight with good power management but I like to go fast so my flights are mostly ½ to full throttle.



Overall a very nice plane if you are looking for a small electric plane with good flight performance. Just remember to watch the take offs and landings.

Jay

Fall Schedule:

- Big Bird RC Event at Tuner Oregon September 9-12
 - a. sponsored by Salem RC Pilots Ass.
 - b. <http://www.wvi.com/~srcpa/>
- Cub Nuts RC Event at Molalla
 - a. <http://www.molrca.com/>
- General club meeting October 5th 7pm and OMAS field

Club Information:

- Changing of the guard: A lot of changes to our club officers. We have a board of directors but we (board officers) are meeting on September 21st to iron out the positions and get working to move the club forward. Time and location is yet unset.

Final Thoughts :

Volume 3 is about complete. We all had a busy summer and now are looking forward to our winter projects and getting ready for a busy spring flying season. I know I have a few projects to work on this winter during the rainy days. Also, we have a lot of work to do setting up our club officers and getting everyone on task to make our club the best around. I have confidence we can accomplish what ever we set our minds to. Don't give up on the weather as there are some good days left to get our and fly this year.

2. Recommended Resources

Check out our local hobby shops and vendors to support our hobby.

- www.keleo-creations.com
- www.hillsborohobbyshop.com
- www.molrca.com
- www.tammieshobbies.com
- list of Oregon RC clubs:
 - a. <http://www.dustersrcclub.com/page9.html>

3. Quote of the Week

They done it! They done it! Damned if they ain't flew.

— *Johnny Moore, shouted while running to the village of Kitty Hawk. 17 December 1903.*

4. Contact the Editor

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