



## April 2005 Edition

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CLUB MEETING: April 13, 2005 at 7pm  
Boulder TEC Center  
6600 Arapahoe Ave.  
opposite Valmont power plant

**Rudy Glick will bring his new 7-cylinder spark ignition engine for show-and-tell as well as run his 5-cylinder glow engine. DON'T MISS THE FUN!!!**

### FIELD PARKING

There are parking spaces at the field marked and designated as handicap parking. We've been notified that if City Park Rangers see vehicles parked in those stalls without a proper handicap tag displayed they will start issuing violation tickets. **The fine for this type of ticket is \$125.00.** All members need to be aware that, if you park in a handicap stall without a tag and a ranger comes by, it could become *an expensive day of flying.*

### BAS MEETING MINUTES

March 9, 2005

Meeting called to order by President Augie Bruno 7:05 pm at the Boulder Votech Center. 16 Members were present.

#### **Minutes**

The Minutes of the February newsletter were accepted.

#### **Treasurers Report**

Treasure Ken Jochim reported a bank balance for the club of \$8759.60. He also reported the lock was changed on March 8. So, pay your dues to get a new key.

#### **Old Business**

There was no old business.

#### **New Business**

Augie reported we have received our new AMA charter package for 2005. AMA district 9 has a new web site: [www.amadistrict-IX.org](http://www.amadistrict-IX.org).

A discussion was held on installing a new fence on the north side of the parking lot. The Boulder parks and recreation will buy the materials for the fence if the club members will furnish the manpower to install it. It was voted on and decided to wait until the parks and recreation dept. motivate us to install it.

#### **Show And Tell**

Rudy Glick showed plans for a Nick Zorili Stearman PT17 and also a Forrest Edwards 5 cylinder glow engine he plans to install in it.



Arnold Peckar showed a video of a model club in Santa Barbara CA, which constructed and flew an 18.5-foot electric seaplane of the first airplane built by the Lockheed Corp. The airplane flew well. They plan to put it on permanent display in the local airport.

Rich Anderson showed a promotion video He received from the AMA. There were a lot of first class scale airplanes flying and on display.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rudy Glick

## FLYING FIELD HOURS

9:00am to dusk on weekdays  
10:00am to dusk on weekends

## INSTRUCTORS LISTING

Call if you need help getting started:

Dean Chandler	303-652-2125	Futaba
Steve Croft	303-651-9104	Futaba
Tony Kilwein	303-438-8500	Futaba
Wendell Wickstrom	303-494-9324	Airtronics
Ken Jochim	303-444-3206	JR
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## CLASSIFIEDS

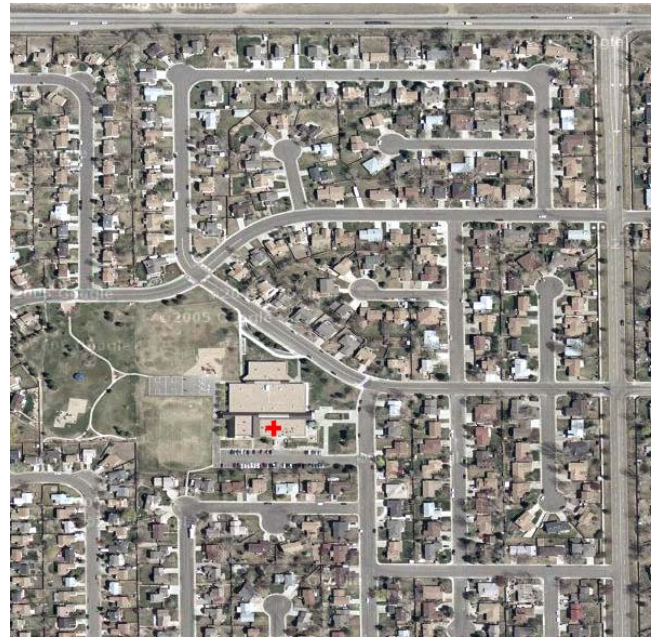
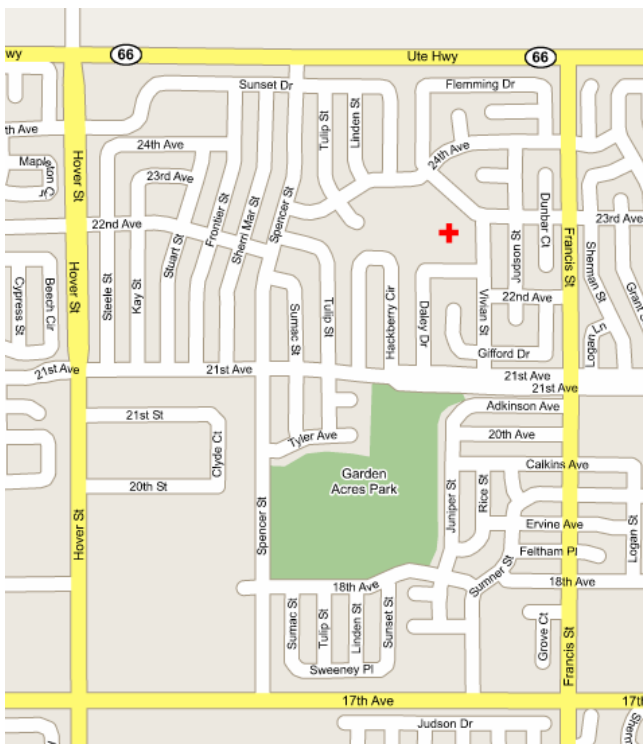
There were no new ads submitted this month.  
Previous classified ads can be found at the Club Classifieds page: [www.milehighwings.com/club/classifieds](http://www.milehighwings.com/club/classifieds)

## ON THE HORIZON

**April Club Meeting:** *April 13, 2005* at 7pm at Boulder TEC Center on Arapaho Rd. across Valmont Power Plant

**Longmont Club Auction:** *April 16, 2005* starts at 8am (bidding starts at 9am) at Sanborn Elementary School at 23<sup>rd</sup> Ave. & Vivian St. in Longmont, CO

The location of the school is marked with a red cross at the following map and the satellite image:



## THE YELLOW PAGES

A listing of area merchants whose products are of interest to R/C enthusiasts; provided as a service to our members.  
Some will give you a discount with your current club card.

**HSJM Ltd. Hobbies**, 1300 W Midway, Broomfield (303-439-2640), Steve Clark

**Action Hobbies**, 1477 Carr, Lakewood, (303-233-6275), Glen A. Magree

**Hobby Town**, 800 South Hover Rd. Longmont, (303-774-1557)

**Mile High Wings** [sales@milehighwings.com](mailto:sales@milehighwings.com)  
Your source of R/C Simulator interfaces and all-composite ARFs: [www.milehighwings.com](http://www.milehighwings.com)

**Don's Hobbies**, 815 10th Street, Greeley (970-353-3115)  
Tony Farro

**Things with Wings**, 6268 W. 10th #2 Greeley (970-352-1067) Jim Richardson

**Hobby Town**, 6815 W. 88th Ave., Westminster, (303-431-0482), James Miley

**Hobby Giant**, 5545-A, Olde Wadsworth, Arvada, 303-940-9238, Larry Cencich.

**Heliport Hobbies**, 1400 W. 70th Street, Denver 303-430-8828, also Magnum Fuels

## ARTICLE OF THE MONTH

### **Double-edged razor blade makes a comeback**

My mother grew up on a ranch in Oklahoma in the 1920s where she really did have to ride a pony 10 miles to school each day. I was born in 1943, and growing up in the fortunate 50s, I frequently heard how hard times were in the 20s and 30s (some days there was a blizzard in the morning and a tornado in the afternoon, and that pony had a rotten, gait etc).

I got some of the same sort of stories from my fellow Southern California Ignition Flyers who were kids in the 30s (we had to cut balsa with broken razor blades snapped to a point, and dissolve toothbrush handles with acetone to get glue etc).

I treated it all, whether it came from my mother or my fellow modelers, with a grain of salt—or more likely a pound of salt. Guys I know would tell me how hard they had it (and they did), but I sort of pooh-poohed the whole deal. After all, they had taught me to use surgical scalpels to cut balsa a dozen years ago, so I figured razor blades were passé for model building.

It's true I use the single-edge razor blade—you can buy them in a box of 100 at the hardware store. They're okay for trimming tissue or silk edges when you're covering—they dull quickly, but what the heck, they're cheap. The blades cost roughly 6 cents each, and if you have to use half a dozen to cover a model—so what.

Well, my eyes were opened recently. Tim Goldstein out in Denver sells a lot of things for indoor modeling. He also had some packs of 100 old-fashioned, carbon steel, double-edge razor blades for sale.

I bought some a couple of years ago, and put them near my workbench and left them there unopened until I was trimming Polyspan on a covering job.

When I opened the package and used one of the blades, I was stunned by how sharp it was. Those guys in the 30s had something going there!

The blades Tim sells are Solingen steel from Germany. They are sharp, in part, because they are thin. The hardware store razor blades are 8/1000 of an inch thick, and the double-edged blades are 3/1000 of an inch thick.

The guys in Denver report that the blades can cut soft 1/8-inch balsa without any tearing. You may need to rig up some kind of holder to use these blades, but they sure look like the ticket for small light models. Goldstein advertises in SAM Speaks and the NFFS Digest from time to time. If you have an opportunity, buy a box of these razor blades, the true good old stuff.

From *Southern California Ignition Flyers'* newsletter,  
Glendale CA

Mike Myers, editor

## KEEP SMILIN'

The following Internet posting was signed by Mr. John Murray:

1. A controller is called up the radio, asking for the runway and taxiway lights to be turned on. The controller radios back saying that the pilot cannot land due to weather. The pilot radios back saying he/she is already landed, and needs the lights to get to the hanger.

2. A hotshot pilot is lining up on approach, during the night, when the controller calls him/her over the radio for ID. The pilot says, "I'm two minutes from landing, guess who". The controller radios back, angrily asking for ID. "I'm a minute from landing, guess who". Suddenly the runway light disappear. The pilot radios the tower asking what happened to the lights. "Your 30 seconds from landing, guess where you S.O.B!"

3. A hotshot F-16 pilot is playing escort to B-52 BUFF (Big Ugly Fat F\*\*ker/Fella). He radios the B-52 saying that anything he can do, the Falcon can do better. The B-52 radios back saying "Oh yeah, try this". The B-52 continues on straight and level. After a while the Falcon pilot radios, "OK, what ya do". B-52 radioed back, "I engaged the autopilot, talked to the navigator, and had a pi\$\$, then shut down 2 engines"

4. A Hornet pilot is stuck behind a B-52 in the landing schedule. The Hornet radios the tower, saying "I'm low on fuel and need to get down quick". The tower radios back, saying that the B-52 is down one engine, and has priority. The Hornet pilot replied, "Ah, the dreaded seven engined approach".

5. Note: This is an exact replication of National Public Radio (NPR) interview between a female broadcaster, and US Army General Reinwald who was about to sponsor a Boy Scout Troop visiting his military installation.

*Interviewer:* "So, General Reinwald, what things are you going to teach these young boys when they visit your base?"

*General Reinwald:* "We're going to teach them climbing, canoeing, archery, and shooting."

*Interviewer:* "Shooting! that's a bit irresponsible isn't it?"

*General Reinwald:* "I don't see why, they'll be properly supervised on the rifle range."

*Interviewer:* "Don't you admit that this is a terribly dangerous activity to be teaching children?"

*General Reinwald:* "I don't see how, ....we will be teaching them proper rifle discipline before they even touch a firearm."

*Interviewer:* "But you're equipping them to become violent killers."

*General Reinwald:* "Well, you're equipped to be a prostitute, but you're not one, are you?"

The radio went silent and the interview ended.

**Note to members receiving newsletter by snail mail:**

***If you send the editor your email address, we can send you the newsletter by e-mail. This saves the club 37 cents each newsletter PLUS you get all the links clickable and all the pictures in color rather than black and white. And you get it a couple of days sooner.***

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