

# SMOKE SIGNALS

## NEWSLETTER

### MARCH CALENDAR

MARCH 2 Meeting Show & Tell

MARCH 16 Meeting



### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

To the membership at large it seems that Spring may come early this year, so we will all be concentrating on flying, which is great, BUT that does not help the club when the attendance is down at the meetings, and there is a distinct lack of volunteer's for the tasks at hand. I will have the stickers for the magazines at the first march meeting, we need to get the word out, we need to grow. **YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU**

Joe Petrozza



### **HARDCORE WINTER FLYERS**

**Mel's report** - You don't have to be crazy to fly in winter but it helps. Here are a couple of crazies to prove it. Ted had his P47 gas, Mel his Dragonfly electric, Phil had his T28 electric. John Akios dropped in. He had a better solution when the winter wind kicks in. OK, so it does not fly, but it crawls around pretty good.



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## **BUILDING CLUB**

Nelson and the Building Club doing a nice job. Nelson helps Rich restore a 50 year old plane to flying condition.



Curtis gets a little help from Keith on his beautiful Extra. Pretty bird.. Bet he will be careful with this one.



**Nelson and the crew work on Paintball 1, 2 and 3.** Silly we shoot the heck out of them, then look at the nice job they do restoring each

## ***WE WAS ROBBED! ....AGAIN***

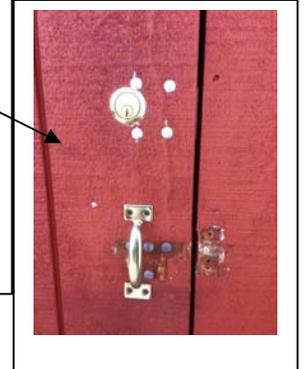
### **The Meroke Shed Was Broken Into - and 'Donuts' Cut into the Turf**

Looks like one of the local 'hoods' in a big 4x4 ripped open the shed and stole one of the paintball planes and the old 72Mhz transmitter that went with it. Our guess, Thursday Feb. 23, after hours, someone in a large 4x4 hooked a towing chain into the hasp of the shed padlock and put it into gear. Note: the wide tire tracks next to the shed, the scratch marks on the rail and the pulled metal of the sliding lock mechanism led our Sherlock Holmes (AKA Jimmy the Diver) to the conclusion about the 4x4. A couple of the members saw a big black 4x4 come by for 3 days before the 'heist'. The Black 4x4 has not been seen since....

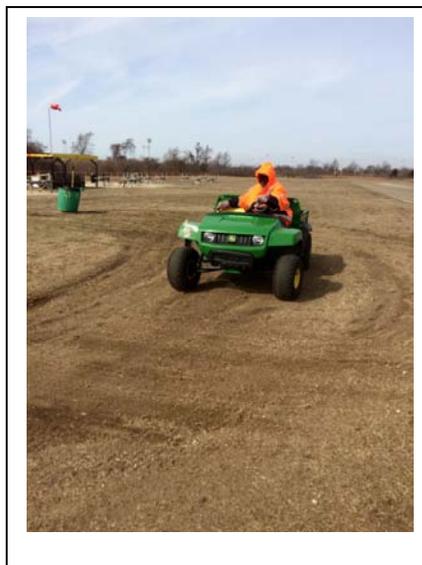
Also, the same time, a 4x4 cut a series of donuts into the grass by runway 2.

Mystery- The Park worker said he locked the gate up at dusk.... when he opened Thursday, the lock was on the chain but the hasp was not locked?????

**The Good News** - Nothing else was taken. Repairs were already done. Mel Brenner replaced the old slide latch/padlock with a new internal deadbolt lock and a separate handle held on with short screws. There is nothing left to pull on, the handle will just pull off if he tries it again.



The park staff repaired the turf donuts on Monday



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**The Swap Shop - Sell, Buy or Trade**

Send your submissions to Mel Brenner email: [merrillbrenner@yahoo.com](mailto:merrillbrenner@yahoo.com).

**For Sale - John Cappabianca** [cappabianca.john@yahoo.com](mailto:cappabianca.john@yahoo.com)

**Antique Transmitter collector item Over 50 year old - Best Offer**  
 Transmitter Model # DPT Never used Plus 2 Proportional Actuators  
 Model# DPC ,All 3 units made by - Citizen - Ship RADIO. Corp.  
 From Indianapolis, Indiana  
 These units have never been used.



**For Sale- Mel Brenner** [merrillbrenner@yahoo.com](mailto:merrillbrenner@yahoo.com) 526-4644  
**F-4U Corsair classic warbird complete**  
**\$140 Negotiable.**  
 OS 46 FX nitro engine, 54" wingspan, Digital volt meter, NiMh 2300 battery, all Futaba servos. just needs your receiver



**For Sale- Mel Brenner** [merrillbrenner@yahoo.com](mailto:merrillbrenner@yahoo.com) 516-526-4644  
**Giant Scale Electric Mustang With Spektrum compatible Receiver + Retracts Asking \$140 Negotiable.**  
 Giant Epo foam scale model 63" wingspan, Receiver Spektrum Dxm2 compatible (Orange RX), Electric retracts, Upgraded motor and 100A ESC. Uses 6s 5000 LiPo