



# EAGLE'S VOICE

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Where Eagles Soar!

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## President's Report

*Hello Everyone,*

Well, as I sit here wondering where the flying season has gone, it looks like we may be in for that four letter word, SNOW. But hey, look on the bright side, the holidays are coming and not long after that spring will be here. (YEA RIGHT!!!!)

Our next meeting will be at Lakeside Center, 6:30pm Oct 18th. We will have a few things to do starting with nominations of officers. We have nominations at the Nov. meeting and we will vote then also. If you would like to nominate someone for office please be at these meetings.

Now is also a good time to start thinking about paying dues for next year.

Don't forget that my wife and I will be hosting the annual Halloween party. It will take place at our house on Oct 21st @ 7:00pm. If the weather cooperates we will have a big bon fire, but don't worry we will also have canopy to set under. If it rains or is real cold we will take the fun inside. Last year we had about 30 people there. We are going to have BBQ ribs and chicken. If everyone would please bring a side, and what ever you like to drink, the eating utensils are provided.

Our annual Christmas party is also fast approaching. You should be getting information on that shortly.

*Ron*

## Field Report

The last week-end of September a small work party winterized the R/C Eagles Flying Field. Predictions are that we will have another mild winter so keep one plane in your "ready hanger" for flying. Some of us fly all winter long and it is great fun flying off of the snow.

The Field has been limed and before too long we plan on plugging the Field so the lime works down well into the soil and allows the moisture to work deep into the soil. When we plug the Field we are going to sweep up some of the plugs and place them on some of the bad spots and hopefully they will take root.

*See you at the Field*  
*Jim, Keith, Bob*

## Editor's Notes

*Hi All,*

I had an interesting experience the other day at the field, I almost got killed, or at best badly injured. Let me tell ya'll a story about stupid mistakes and where they can lead.

I went to the field on Sunday the 8th to grab another flight or two before winter socks us in. I hadn't flown in about two weeks so I was concerned about being a little rusty on the sticks. As it turned out that was the least of my worries.

I unloaded the airplane with a little help from my wife's nephew and assembled it just like usual, double checking everything as I went along. With the plane assembled I noticed that no one was up flying and also that it didn't appear that anyone was getting ready to fly.

Thinking I could squeeze in a quick flight I fueled the plane and grabbed the frequency clip yelling at Simon to hang on while I started the plane. I snapped the choke on and flipped that big 30" meat grinder until it popped, then I turned the choke off and continued flipping the prop till it started. *And start it did!! At full throttle!!* I always check the transmitter throttle setting before I start my plane, but today having been away for a few weeks I completely forgot to look. Simon, bless his little pea-picking heart, held on for dear life while I scrambled out of the way and pulled the throttle back to idle.

Several profanities probably still linger over our flying field as a dark cloud that, I hope, will dissipate by spring. The gist of it was I questioned not only my intelligence but my parentage as well.

Seldom do we get second chances when we do something stupid, but I did. I hope my mistake will help you not make the same one. *For the guy starting the engine, always make sure the radio is on, working, and set to idle. For the guy holding, always hold on like the engine is going to start at full throttle. For everyone, do not under any circumstances try to start anything bigger than an .049 by yourself.* Get some help, the fingers you save may be your own.

On another note, if you are having problems with your aircraft; glitches, out of trim, motor not running right, etc. Do yourself and your fellow modelers a favor, land NOW! Problems do not solve themselves and generally only get worse. Land, solve the problem, and then double check everything and go fly.

*Kraig*

### Club Officers

*President: Ron Shonk*

*Vice Pres. Ken Baker*

*Secretary: Keith Thomas*

*Treasurer: Don Swensgard*

### Committee Heads

*Contest: Gary Villard*

*Field: Jim McCoy*

*Safety: Gary Villard*

### Newsletter Editor

*Kraig Krumm*

### Webmaster

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### October Meeting

**Oct. 18th, 2006**

**6:30 PM**

**Lakeside Center**

**Nominations for Club Officers for 2007**

### Events

**Halloween Party**  
**Ron and Debbie Shonk's**  
**Oct. 21st 7:00PM**

