

## Skystreakers' Third Annual Open House

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The Skystreakers' Third Annual Open House scheduled for Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup>., was postponed, due to BAD weather, to Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>. and combined with the club's High Wing Fly-in.

Thanks to the hard work of Dave Snowman, Carla and Eric Waterman and others, the facility looked immaculate, and the set up for the various activities and vehicle parking was well planned and executed. Many positive comments about the facility were heard throughout the day.

In addition to the many aircraft brought by club members to show and to fly, pilots from the Propsnappers club, the Brunswick Area Modelers ( BAM ), and other non-members were enjoying the hospitality offered.

Ara Dedekian and fellow control line flyer from the BAM flew a number of airplanes, throughout the day, in the area provided for them, a very nice addition to the activities.

**Below is photographic proof that the CL pilots are not afraid to fly to the limits:**



Robin and Mike Sands took care of the hospitality table and signed up those who wished to fly. Tim Berube and Steve Nason handled flight instruction for first time flyers .



There was a good turnout of members, guests, and airplanes.



Dave Snowman and Carla took charge of obtaining supplies, setting up, and cooking at the food tent with Bob Heyner and Carla doing much of the grilling. A very welcome addition to the menu this year was pulled pork which was prepared and supplied, I understand, by Jeff and Jeffery Linscott and Bree. Editorial note: It is nice to have a family event with good food at very reasonable prices.



Here is the Waterman family enjoying the food, some good conversation, and the nice weather.



Some of "The Guys" just kind of waiting and wondering if that young man will be sharing the contents of that snack pack. ☺



The Propsnappers were represented by some nice scale aircraft and excellent pilots.



Jeff and Kyle in their ongoing quest for MORE SPEED!



Eric Guilmet and Tom Chabot discuss the fine points of tuning a Tx for IMAC.

**Comment:** In my twisted mind, I like to think that the conversation went something like this:

**Tom:** “OK, Eric, we’ll get the engine started, point the plane in the right direction, and you just push this left stick thingie all the way forward. When she gets up in the air, just wiggle the right stick thingie around. Don’t worry, what could go wrong?” **Eric:** “Good plan Tom, but what about all them little switches and knobs, what are they for?” **Tom:** “Eric, stop worrying, they just have a bunch of extra switches and stuff cluttering up the factory in China, so they just stick them on to charge more money. You won’t need them.” (Sorry guys, I just could not help myself.)



Eric Guilmet, who *is* a Master of the sticks and switches, demonstrated how to do perfect one wheel takeoffs, with either wheel, using David Skillings' Cub.



**Sometimes bad things happen to the best people and planes** Tim Berube and Carl Jackson were doing a synchronized flying exhibition, when, at the end of a spin, Tim's Beast had lost power and did not have enough altitude to make it back to the field.



The final crowd pleasing demonstration was done by Carla Waterman and Dave Snowman doing a multiple rocket launch and a spectacular flight of the big bad boy shown in the picture below. (And, yes, the rocket was recovered.)



The 50-50 drawing, and the drawing for the main door prize, an RTF Apprentice 15 e with SAFE technology and a one year Skystreaker membership concluded the official open house.

Eddie Alonso's daughter was thrilled to be the winner of the Apprentice.

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