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But landing is mandatory

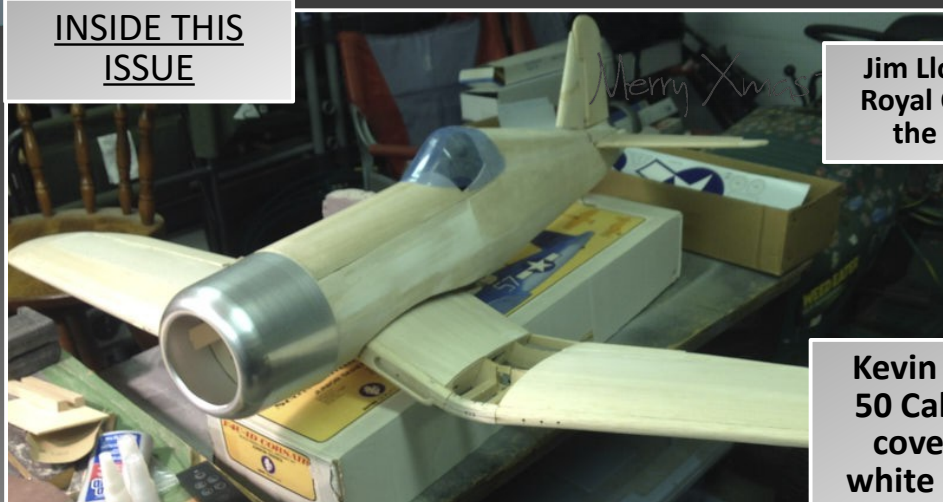
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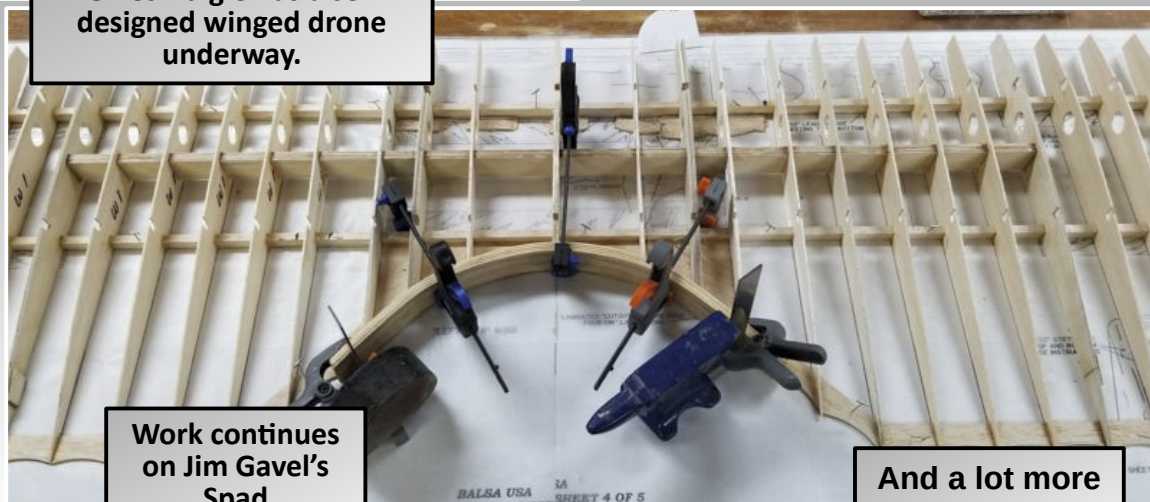


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BLUE SKIES WAYNE FISH



It is with broken hearts that the family announces the passing of Raymond Wayne Fish on January 18, 2022 at Yarmouth Regional Hospital. Wayne was born in Annapolis Royal, N.S., on July 15, 1951, and was a son of William and Melzena (Freeman) Fish. Wayne went into the accounting profession in 1971 straight out of high school and obtained the designation of audit technician. He loved model railroading and his R/C planes. He was a member of the Yarmouth "South West Flyers R/C Club". Wayne loved going to his brother and sister-in-law's camp, where we spent many weekends and Christmas holidays. He was also an adherent of Yarmouth North Baptist Church. Wayne is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Coleen (Harris) Fish; his sons, Robert (Kim), Matthew (Sheila); grandchildren, Liam, Jack, Julia (Pooh), and Blake Fish; as well as Julia and Blake's mother Lisa d'Eon; great-granddaughter, Aria; his mother, Melzena Fish; siblings, Dale (Daphne) Fish; Cheryl (Jeff) Mackintosh; his niece Miranda Mackintosh; nephews Nicholas Fish and Tyler Mackintosh. He was predeceased by his father, William Fish, and nephew Nathan Fish. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Sweeny's Funeral Home and Crematorium, Yarmouth. Visitation by invitation only, as per Covid-19 restrictions, will be held on Sunday, January 23, 2022, from 2-4 P.M. in Sweeny's Funeral Home Chapel. An invitation only celebration of life will be held Monday, January 24, 2022, at 11 A.M. from Sweeny's Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. A.D. "Bill" Newell and Rev. Dr. Shawn Kehoe officiating. The service will be webcast on Sweeny's Funeral Home Homepage. Interment will follow in Clementsvalle Cemetery, Annapolis County. Proof of vaccination and identification will be required for both visitation and funeral. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Wayne can be made to the local charity of your choice. Online condolences and a funeral webcast are available at www.sweenysfuneralhome.net



From Jim Gavel: Club treasurer and longtime active member of the Yarmouth "South West Flyers R/C Club", Wayne Fish, passed away at the Yarmouth Regional Hospital January 18th. He had not been well for some time however when I last saw him several days ago, he seemed to be improving. Wayne was one of the more active members of our club and could always be counted on to get things done. In addition to treasurer duties he also built our field tables, starting tables and probably mowed our strip more than anyone else. More than a member he was also a true friend and will be missed. Rest in Peace Wayne.

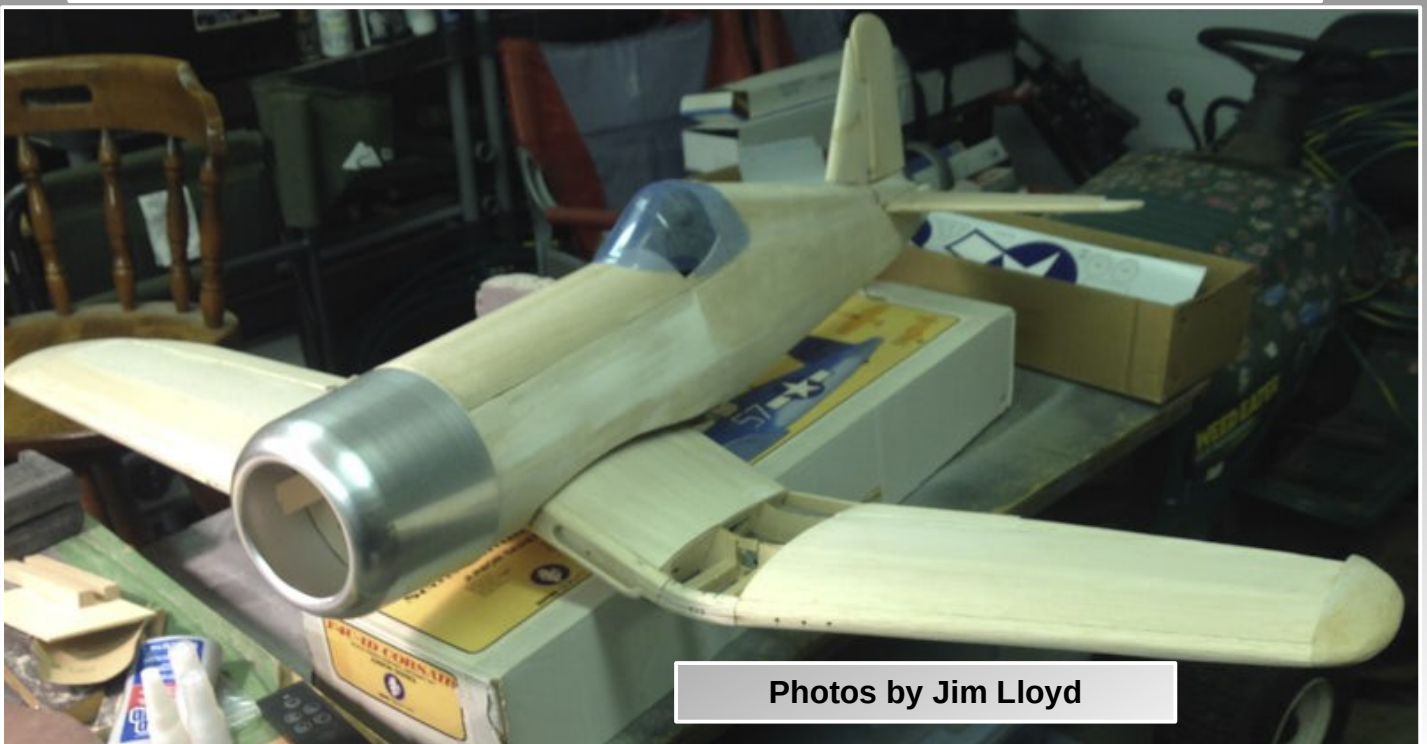
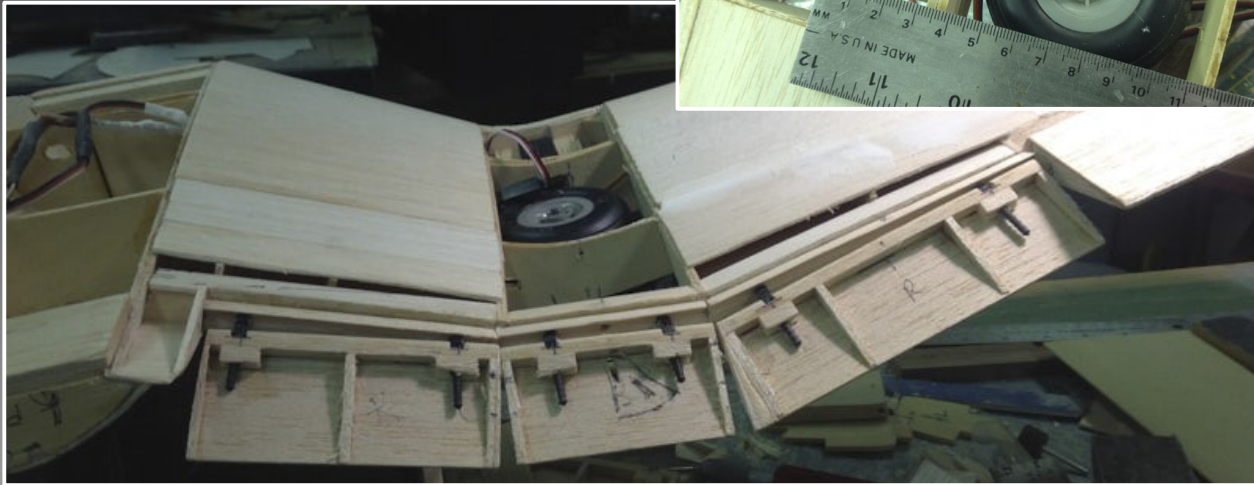
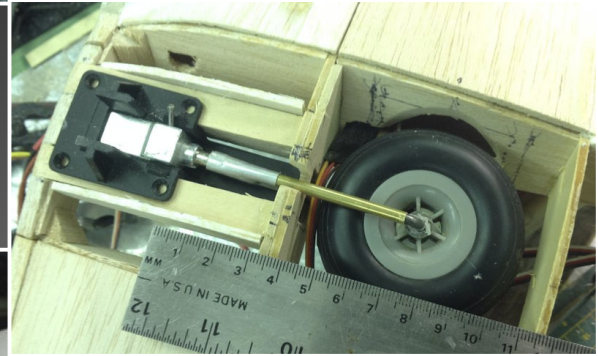
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Jim Lloyd's Royal Corsair

From Jim Lloyd: Here are some pics of the latest, Covid/Winter build.

A Royal kit some 10yrs old, 52" wing span, about 1/10th scale. Power will be a Turnigy 46 motor, 5 cell, 5500 mah electric retracts, and because of club pressure I am installing slotted flaps. I have included a picture of two balsa pieces that I have no idea where they fit. I think the guys at Royal are having some fun with me.

We aren't doing much winter flying.
Just building



Photos by Jim Lloyd

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Jim Gavel's Spad project

Work has been progressing on the "project", however Christmas and then a nasty winter cold set me back a couple weeks. The downtime did however give me some more time to investigate more Spad options and, in particular, what full size Spad 13 I would be finishing the model as. There are a lot of options out there but it is difficult to find 3 view colour schemes for the more obscure ones. After narrowing the field down to 2 choices; the Spad 13 Eddie Rickenbacker flew with the "Hat in the Ring" squadron or the Selfridge Museum Spad based at Selfridge ANG Base in Michigan. <https://selfridgeairmuseum.org/> If your interested, they have a 360 deg walk around of the Spad and it shows a lot of important details. In the end, Eddie Rickenbacker won out as I really preferred the paint scheme and the decal set is available from Callie Graphics in the scale I need.

They say building a biplane is tedious because you just finish one wing and then you have another one to complete. Try one wing with 54 ribs, 1/16" thick and you really appreciate some of those kits with maybe 15 – 20 ribs to install. Needless to say, with ribs that fragile you have to be very careful handling them (ask me how I know). Of course, the modifications I am including slowed the wing process down significantly. In addition to the 3 piece wing mod, I have decided to hide the aileron servos in the wing rather than exposed above the wing surface which the plans showed. After lifting wing from building surface, I noted that it was not to stiff and elected to install shear webbing between front spar ribs. This really helped to stiffen the structure with very little weight gain.



Photos by Jim Gavel

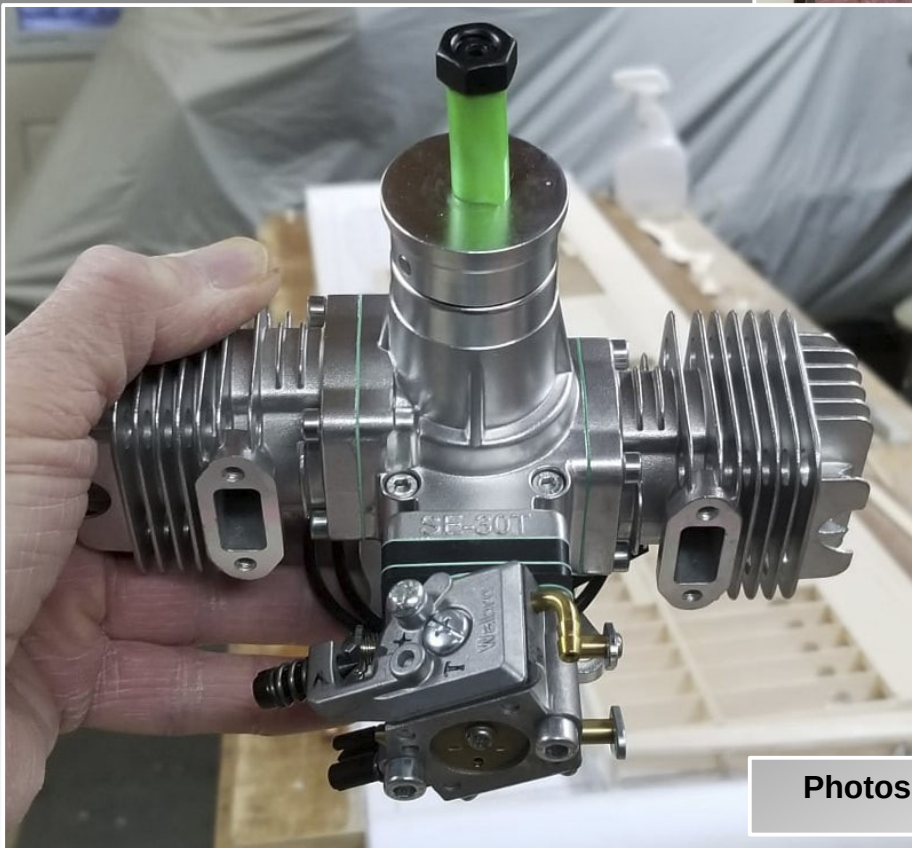
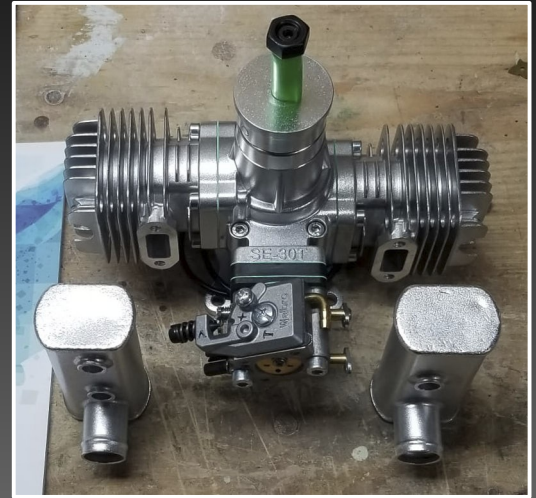
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About this time my new motor showed up and it's a beauty. The story to get it was a beaut too. Being an "economical" person, I decided to try ordering directly from the manufacturer via Aliexpress. After 3 attempts to mail it from China, only to be stopped at the Chinese border due to "magnetic non-conformity". I finally said enough, cancelled, got my money back and ordered the same engine from the USA Affiliate. Got it 2 wks later and only cost \$15.00 more. Lesson learned?..... probably not! Anyway, engine is a 30 cc twin 2-stroke gasser manufactured by RCGF in, you guessed it, China. Good reviews but only time will tell.

So, top wing is finished except for sanding and finishing the smaller details. I leave this until last due to inevitable workshop rash that is prevalent this time of the year. I have just started laying out the bottom wing and I expect construction will go faster now due to my experience with top wing plus there are no ailerons on this wing.

This is a wrap for now, if you have any questions about the build, feel free to message me and I will try to answer as I can.



Photos by Jim Gavel

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Kent RC Association Field Clearing Crew



From Roger Richard's Facebook post: The Master isn't just a Master with a Heli, he is also a Master with a Plow. I had the better job as I was the Wingman with the plow remote. Now if any members would like to go to the field it all open. We had fun doing it



This was posted on January 9th. They'll have to get out with reinforcements after the storm we're having here on the 29th as I put together the newsletter.

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Kent RC Association winter projects



From Mario Richard: I am working on 3D printed 64" wingspan Chipmunk and 3D printed 27" Micro SportCam. I purchased this past spring a used 80" Lancair and a used CL-84 V-Tol, both are next in line to hopefully be ready for spring.



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Charlottetown Radio Control Flying Club

From Rick Grant-Munn: For me at this moment, performing some much-needed maintenance on my older models for the coming flying season. For example, working on my P-51/MK III Mustang, after 5-plus years of use the model's finish and landing gear need some attention. Once finished with the maintenance later this month, I'll be assembling a new ARF model, and starting a new model kit for 2022, more on this later.



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Charlottetown Radio Control Flying Club

Eflite V1200 nitro build by CRCFC member Ron O'Donnell. Ron converted this plane over to an evolution 40nx and updated with skis for winter flying. Ron notes the plane flies amazing with the nitro setup and carries lots of speed. Well done Ron!!



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Charlottetown Radio Control Flying Club

Louis Deschenes
sends these
photos. Stuck on
the Bench
Aeroworks Yak 54
98" WS DA85cc
With header and
30" MTW canister
tune pipe
Almost ready to do
the first start up !



The Viking is 123 cc
powered. It is smaller than
the Yak and a real blast to fly



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Charlottetown Radio Control Flying Club

From Paul Murray: Phoenix Aurora ARF balanced and ready for winter flying. Four channel, powered by Eflite Power 52 B/L motor, running on 6S5000 Lipo. Looking forward to seeing how this pattern plane flies.



Latest addition to stable Volantex Phoenix 2M PNP Sailplane from Great Hobbies. Check this one out guys price is very reasonable for what you get. Build was simple process as tail feathers bolted to ABS fuse while wings slid into twin spars and locked into place with a clip system built into each wing. Removal takes seconds.

Plane flies on 1300 to 3300 mah and has amazing reviews online with flight time of 45 min to several hours with thermals.

Couple of us now have this plane ... update to follow on performance once we get out to maiden. Plane is set up to fly on 6 channels with crow braking and flaps.



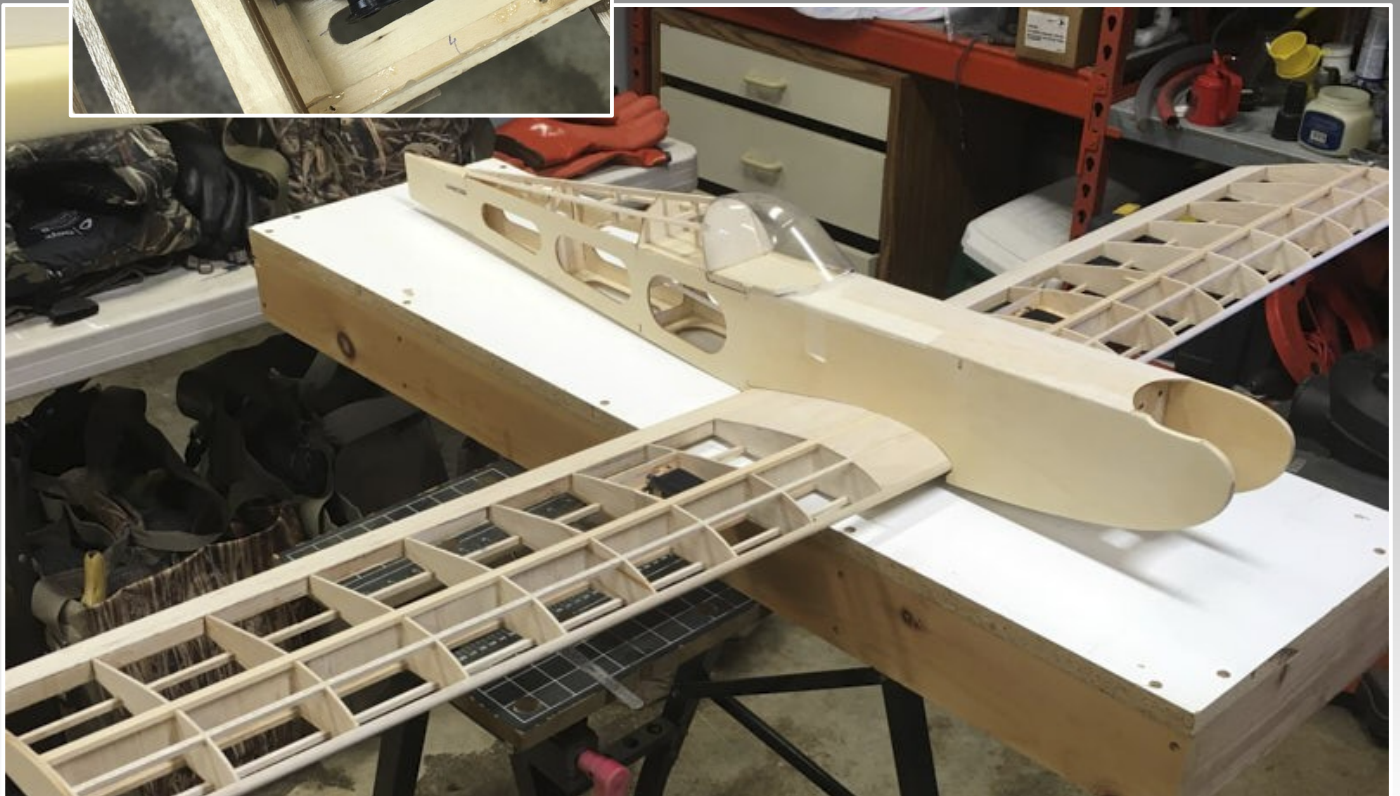
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From Terry Munn: I have been picking away at this model a little here and there.

It is a kit that I reinforced the known weak areas and I went with two aileron servos not one. I modded the canopy by cutting it down and fitting it to the deck.

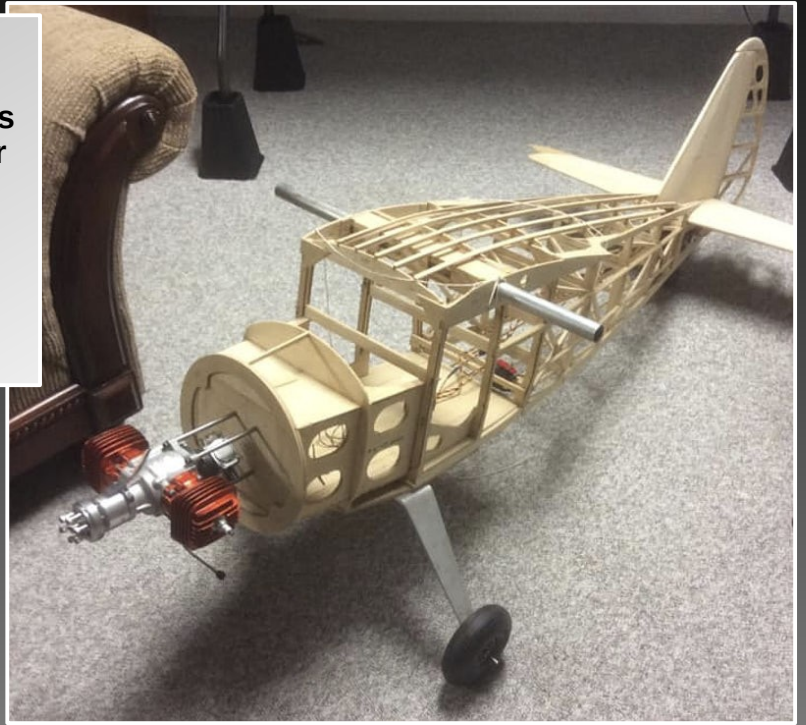
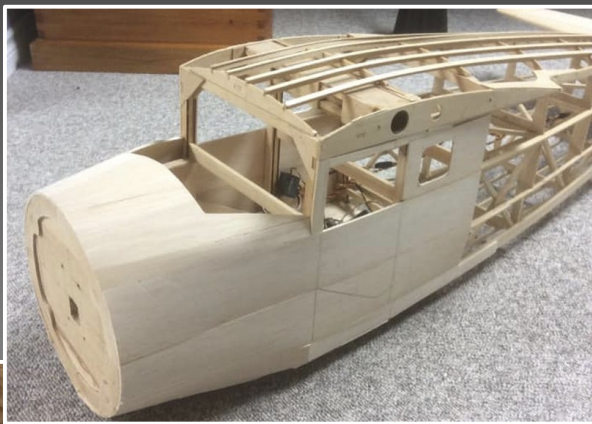
I used nylon lg bolts not the metal bolts as suggested. I braced all the turtle deck stringers so they won't break while handling the plane. I also made a servo tray from lite ply



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From Rick Kirkbride: Making progress on Top Flite Stinson, mounted 3w 56cc engine. Wing span is 100 inches. Wings are ready to be covered, going to cover with Hobby King film, dark red and black. I have the scale cockpit to finish and cowl, not sure if I will install the cowl. The Stinson takes up a lot of space. Taking over the Rec. Room.



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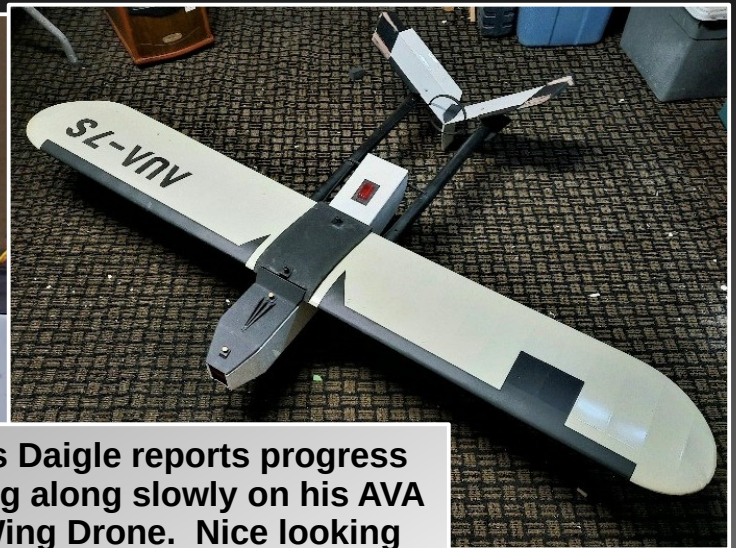


Gilles Daigle's wing drone project is taking shape...today I designed, cut and assembled the rear control surfaces. Sanding balsa is always a blast ! Atchew !!!

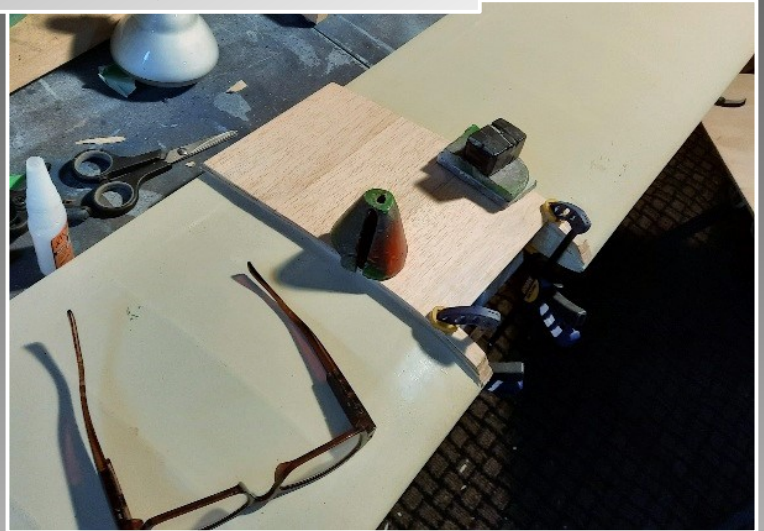


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Gilles Daigle reports progress moving along slowly on his AVA 7S Wing Drone. Nice looking design Gilles!



Stuart Servant got a nice trainer for his debut in the Club.

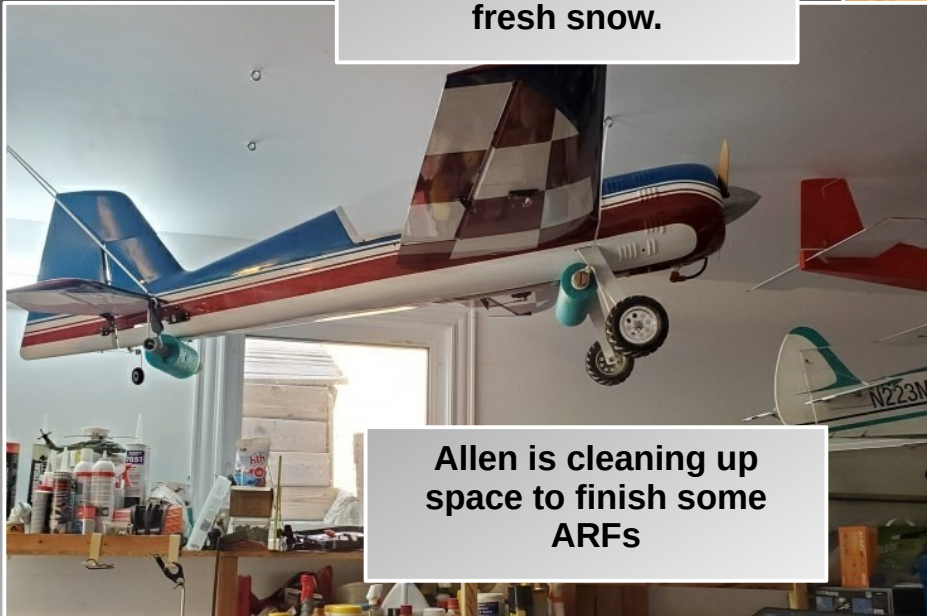
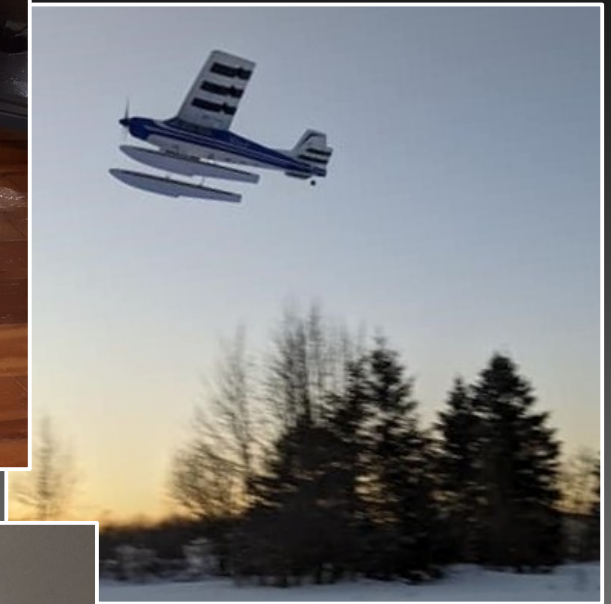


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Keven Ward got to maiden his "gift" on fresh snow.



Allen is cleaning up space to finish some ARFs

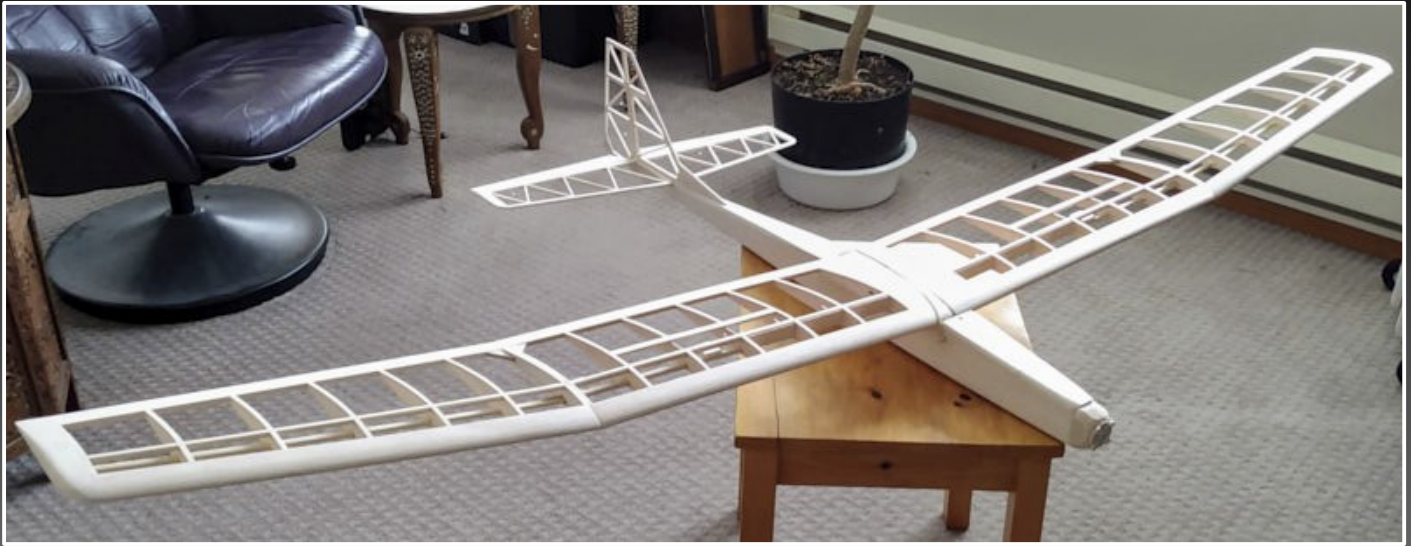


Scott Henderson has plans on the table and working on his Ultimate

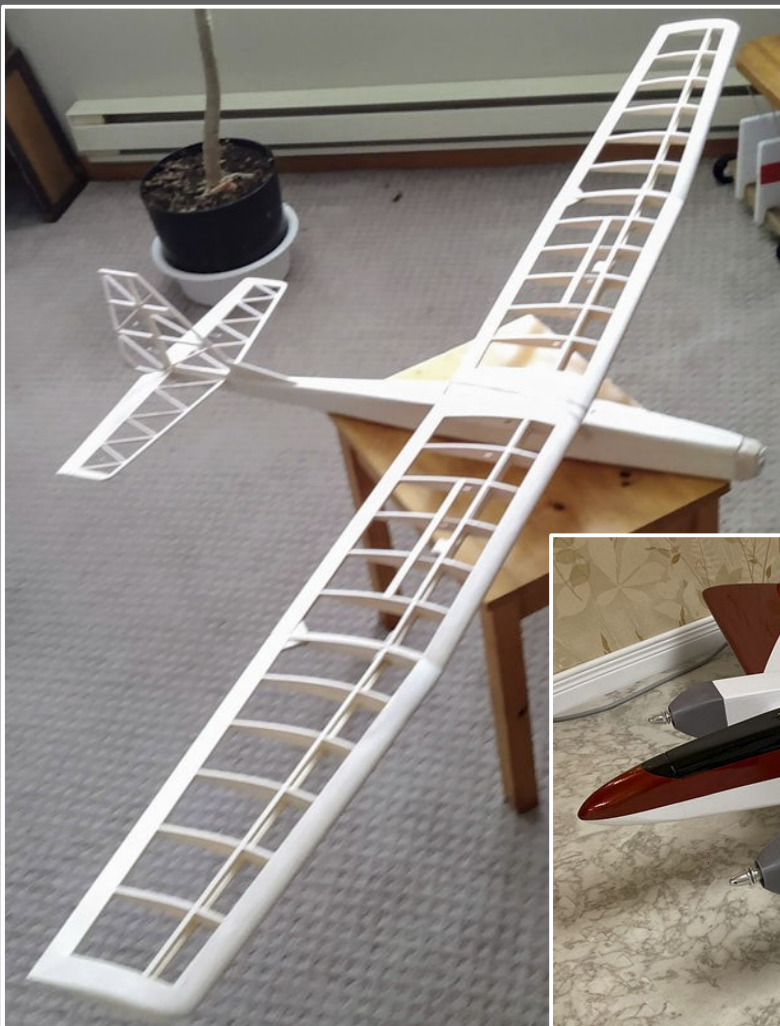


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Riverside Modelling Association



Hugh O'Neill passed along a couple of pics of this 2m Sig Riser "in the bones" and also included is a pic of Kevin Drayson's 50 Caliber, now covered with white & metallic red Monokote. The cowls are 3D printed and will get paint once the weather is warmer.

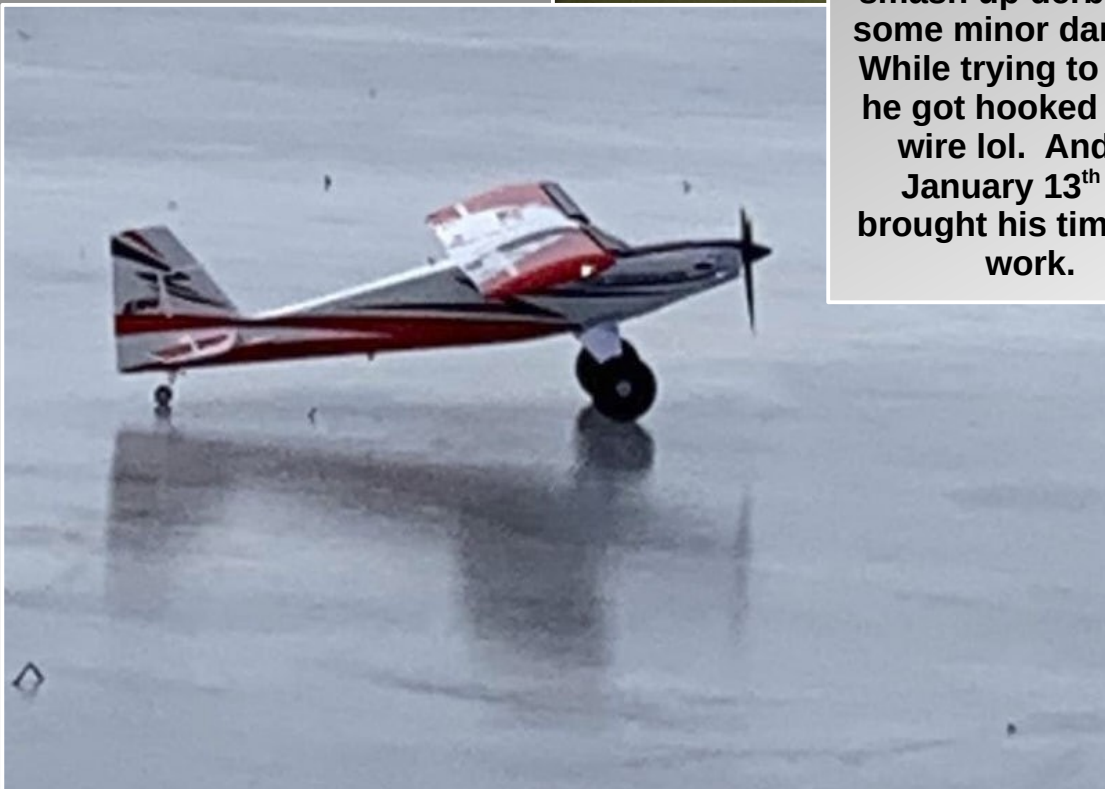


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South Shore RC Flying January bits 'n bytes



Rodney Selig had a blast flying indoors January 9th. He says it was a bit of a smash up derby with some minor damage. While trying to hover he got hooked in the wire lol. And on January 13th he brought his timber to work.



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HOBBY SHOPS IN OUR ZONE.

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Some bits and bytes from the Zone



3D PRINT BY CARL LAYDEN: Panel and exhaust for Keith's Miles M20. Turned out well, Some time in CAD and about 15 hours on the printer. Used sketches from Keith as starting point. Exhaust is 9" long.

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FROM YOUR ZONE DIRECTOR

Hi all,

I hope you all have a nice winter and are enjoying the snow that we have been blessed with, at least here in NB, one day of cleaning up plus some more today sure keeps you occupied for a while.

Not much going on this time of the year unless you are part of the MAAC inner circle, the retirement of Linda sure gave us all something to think about, and you may say we should have anticipated that for a while by now. Anyway, what we are doing is that we are hiring an Executive Director to take care of all the administrative business of our organization to improve the communication and well being of MAAC. That is going to take some time to get the proper person interviewed and hired, but in the meantime our Editor of the official MAAC Magazine has stepped forward and offered to hold the reins until we get it all organized, we will decide within the next couple of weeks for his appointment as that has to be cleared by the Board.

That is the news from MAAC, and here is a little reminder that I got from fellow member Ian Gunn way back in the late 1990, and it probably sums it up for all of us no matter what you are doing, so until next time, take care and be well like Steve Murphy would say.

Cato.

THIS IS A TUIT

At long last I have found a round TUIT.
And I'm going to give it to you!
Guard it with your life! These TUITs are
hard to come by, ESPECIALLY THE
ROUND ONES!
For years you've been saying, "I'll do that
as soon as I get a round tuit".
Now that you have a round tuit of your
own, many things that you meant to do just
may get done!
SO GET TUIT!

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