



# The Signal

March 2006

Volume 2

## Of Special Interest:

- Top Ten Things Overheard At The RC Building Class
- Next Club Meeting on Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at the Bridgewater Library at 8:00pm in Room B.



The meeting was held on March 29<sup>th</sup> and called to order at 8:05pm.

**Attendance:** Tony Rossi, Jim Vigani, Jim Beard, Marc Julius, Dave Shields, Patrick Aanstoots, Joe Melick, Dan Edelman, Greg Clarke, Rich Negran, Len Ferenchak, Ray Jajko, Dave Rollino, Ken Hoeg, Bill Becker, Sal LoSardo, Paul Brill, Chris DeBlass and Ed DeGritis.

The club was happy to welcome our guests Paul Kupersmith, Mike Visco, Carl Claesson, and Becky Rossi.

And we're very happy to welcome our newest member: Paul Gentile.



## Annual Fashion Show

The club will hold it's annual Fashion Show at the April meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

Bring out those models you've been working on all winter and let's have a look. It must be a new plane that we haven't seen yet.

The club will be presenting prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Will it be you?



## Treasurer's Report

### Expenses

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Jim Vigani, Bill Becker's Shirt, Check #1524      | \$ 18.00  |
| AMA, Charter Renewal and Field Insurance Ck #1525 | \$ 90.00  |
| Rich Negran, Keys for Pin Box, Ck #1526           | \$ 13.15  |
|   | -----     |
|   | \$ 121.15 |

### Income

|                |           |
|----------------|-----------|
| February 50-50 | \$ 23.00  |
| Dues           | \$ 120.00 |
| Shirts         | \$ 141.50 |
|                | -----     |
|                | \$ 284.50 |

**Balance As Of 3/29/2006**

\$1,765.84

## Udvar-Hazy Trip A Major Success!

Our group trip to the Udvar-Hazy museum outside of Washington, D.C. on March 18<sup>th</sup> was a fantastic day. Good times, amazing exhibits of manned and unmanned flight and good friends.



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## Runway Work Begins At Flying Field



*Len F., Len C. and Ray J. measure the Lines of the runway.*

Tony Rossi, Len Cacciatore, Len Ferenchak, Ray Jajko and Jim Beard were out at the field early on April 2<sup>nd</sup> to do some preliminary work on setting up our field's new runway.

They measured and laid out the lines and we'll see how this works for a while. Tony will take this up with the Park Commission during his next meeting, so comments and suggestions should be given to Tony.

Thanks guys for the hard work – everyone will benefit!



*"Continental John" nails the center runway line with his 1/4 scale P47!*



*Runway lines and flight stations.*



*Tommy J helps with the Coffee and Donuts.*



**Somerset County Park Commission**  
North Branch Park Flying Field Check Pilots

|  |   |
|--|---|
| Anthony Rossi<br>23 Hughes Rd.<br>Somerset, NJ 08873<br>(732) 545-3811         | Leonard Cacciatore<br>250 Hyde Park Rd.<br>Somerset, NJ 08873<br>(732) 868-1421 |
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| Joe Onorato<br>816 Bluestone Lane<br>Bridgewater, NJ 08807<br>(908) 541-1465   | Bill Becker<br>14 Louise Drive<br>Manville, NJ 08835<br>(908) 722-6250          |
| Peter O'Connor<br>58 Spencer Road<br>Basking Ridge, NJ 07920<br>(908) 766-7095 | Rich Blatt<br>210 Greenbrook Road<br>Greenbrook, NJ 08812<br>(732) 968-2480     |

Top Ten Things Overheard at the RC Building Class

10. Who has the acetone? I glued my fingers together again.
9. Hey, don't use up all of the contest grade balsa.
8. Where did all of the wood go? I bought enough for 10 airplanes!
7. Can I borrow your square, ruler, glue, pins, building board, etc.?
6. That's not on the plans. Where did that step come from?
5. Whatever you do, don't glue that wing tip to the wrong side of the wing!
4. You're on my side of the table.
3. No, seriously... where's the acetone? I glued myself to my wing.
2. When do you think we'll be done with these?

And the number one thing overheard at the RC Building Class:

1. Where's Jim? I need help!



## Somerset Signal Senders



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## Miscellaneous Club Business

**March 50-50:** The club took in \$64. First place (\$20) was won by Tony Rossi and 2<sup>nd</sup> place (\$12) was won by Ray Jajko.

If you ordered a new shirt and have not yet received/paid for them, please contact Jim Vigani.

Sal LoSardo brought in a home made foamie bi-plane. Very nicely done and Sal says it flies very tamely. Sal took home the prize for Show-n-Tell this month. Way to go Sal!

Jim Vigani gave an update on the RC Build class and brought in his Skcratch model for show and tell. The class is going very well and we hope to have them completed for Opening Day.

Tony gave an update to the club on the Udvar-Hazy field trip and reported that a great time was had by all. The planes and other exhibits were a sight to be seen. There's nothing like seeing the Space Shuttle up close and in person. Truly astounding!

Guest Mike Visco brought in an OS 60 "Edge" for Show and Tell. Very nice Mike... Thanks!

Len Ferenchak brought in a building board he created and has been selling to the other building students. It's a fantastic board and well constructed. They're going like hotcakes! Do you think people who sell hotcakes say they're selling like building boards?

Rich volunteered to work with those members who will be competing in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Glider Contest. He will explain how glider contests work and help you practice for the big event on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of July. So, if you're interested, contact Rich and plan to be at the field with a glider on July 9<sup>th</sup> and July 16<sup>th</sup>.

The club will be conducting a presentation at the Okee Sunokee Camp for Special Children on June 30<sup>th</sup> at the Park Commission Office. Ken Hoeg volunteered to head up the project with the help of President, Len Cacciatore. Contact either one if you're interested in helping out or if you just have ideas about what activities and topics we should cover with the kids. Keep in mind we only have one hour per group and we'll be working with 20 kids in each group.

## Club Information

- The Somerset Signal Senders will meet Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 8pm at the Bridgewater Library in Meeting Room B.
- Our club website is <http://www.somersetsignalsenders.org>
- Questions concerning our website can be directed to: [webmaster@somersetsignalsenders.org](mailto:webmaster@somersetsignalsenders.org)
- Head Flight Instructor: Tony Rossi
- Field Safety Officer: Len Cacciatore
- Newsletter Editor: Marc Julius, [newsletter@somersetsignalsenders.org](mailto:newsletter@somersetsignalsenders.org)
- Questions can be directed to: [President@somersetsignalsenders.org](mailto:President@somersetsignalsenders.org)

## Upcoming Events

**May 21, 2006**

Opening Day at the Field, BBQ and Flying... and Combat Test Day!

**June 30, 2006**

Presentation to Okee Sunokee kids at Somerset Park Commission

**July 23, 2006**

2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Glider Contest