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**TORKS Club meetings: The first Tuesday of each month at the Will Rogers Garden Center
3400 NW 36th and the Lake Hefner Parkway overpass. Meeting time: 7:30pm to 9:00pm**

On Tuesday May 6, 2014, TORKS President, Tom Solinski, opened the club meeting with 24 members and one guest.

Mark Grennan, TORKS Vice President, said everything looks great at our Tom Jones Memorial R/C Fling Field.

George Burton, TORKS Treasurer, gave the dollar numbers that are in savings. Contact George if you would like to have a breakdown of the entire report.

FAA /AMA 5 mile Rule.....

Tom suggested that nothing be said about the latest FAA / AMA rule of 5 mile distance between Full scale Airports to R/C Flying fields.

TORKS and Wiley Post Airport have lived with the original 3 mile distance rule for over 35 years and we (TORKS & Wiley Post) have never had a problem. Let the Sleeping Dog lie.....

Model-of-the-Month

The honors went to Jim Davis for his 1/3 Scale model of "LITTLE TOOT". The original TOOT was a Home Built Aircraft designed and built by George Meyer, started in 1952 and won all the Awards at the 1957 EAA Convention.

Jim's model is Scratch built from Plans found in Model Airplane News. Jim enlarged the plans to 1/3 Sale. Jim's Little Toot is powered by a 40cc OS Four Stroke gas engine. 67" span on both wings. Nice

Model, and it does fly very scale like. Jim received a \$10.00 Gift Certificate from Mike's models for his "Model of the Month"



Driveway Gravel

George made the arrangements and now, TORKS Parking lot now has a 20 ton load of gravel waiting to be spread over the driveway leading up the our parking lot. Delivery was made on the evening of Wednesday May 21. The gravel is ready for spreading.



Ralph Hines said he would use his equipment to help spread the gravel. We need TORKS Volunteers to help. Please check with George. Call 405) 202-3409.

May 10, 2014 Burger Burn Did you miss it ?



Steve Carpenter as the Cook, all others enjoyed the vittles and the socializing. 30+ MPH Winds didn't stop Steve from flying.

Thanks to Linda Grennan for the photographs.

June 3rd is our next TORKS Club Meeting.

In case you have forgotten, meetings are held at;

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Removal of the Eastern Red Cedar Trees ...

After more than 10 years of begging and pleading with OKC, there is now a joint project between the City and the County to remove the Fire Breathing Eastern Red Cedar trees that are all around the lake. Take a good look all around our Field and the Lake shoreline. Even with the many Red Cedar trees being removed, the critters are still around.

Foxes, (Below)



Skunks and Deer have also been seen. Mark has been up-close and personal with a large Skunk at the north end of the field.

(NOTE) No wild animals were harmed during the confrontation.

Rebecca Tate, past member of TORKS, showed up on Thursday, May 22, evening.



Rebecca was back in town for just 3 days on a Job interview. Hopefully, Mike, Rebecca and Baby will be moving back to Oklahoma City area very soon.

Rebecca put in a few flights on Ken's T-28. The wind was blowing 15-20 with gusts of 25-30 MPH.



Dates to remember..... JUNE

June 03, 2014 TORKS Club Meeting



Rick Shipman and his Raven



Paul Teague with his SIG 4 star 64



George Burton with his Kit Built Tiger 60



Contests and Fly-In Events for June 2014

June 6,7, & 8..... Guthrie, OK. and others..

6/7/2014 - 6/8/2014 -- Guthrie, OK (C-Restricted) OK SOONER QUADRON GIANT SCALE FLY IN. Site: Flying Field. James Ellis CD PH: 405-664-8440 Email: okiekid51@yahoo.com. Visit: oksoonersquadron.org. Free lunch for pilots. Registration at 8am flying at 9am. Raffle for all on Sunday at 1pm. (Top flite FW-190) (AMA required IMAA rules applied) (IMAA membership application will be available) (This fly in is restricted to 2.4ghz)



Paul Petitt with Grandson Brody, and Harvey (Joe) Grubbs checking Paul's piece parts.



Hunter Rollins with his Extra 300 Electric

6/21/2014 - 6/22/2014 -- Copan, OK (C-Restricted) BARTLESVILLE FALCONS BIG BIRD FLY IN. Site: Copan Model Air Park. Gary Cooper CD PH: 918-914-2141 Email: garycooper@bartnet.net. LF \$20 with \$5 meal ticket to registered pilots. AMA required. IMAA Giant scale rules apply. Concessions on site. Primitive camping, grass and paved runways. Field map on website, AMA/IMAA sanctioned event. Sponsor: BARTLESVILLE FALCONS MODEL CLUB

6/27/2014 - 6/28/2014 -- Bray, OK (C) OK WARBIRDS. Site: Wolfe Field. Bill Holland CD PH: 405-626-1386 Email: billtholland@gmail.com. Visit: www.okwarbirds.com. 14/146. Any size warbird. Food concessions on site. Early bird arrivals welcome. Primitive RV and camping on site. Beautiful 40 acre site with a paved 2600x35' runway. Parallel 1050x100' grass runway. Hangar available for overnight aircraft storage. Landing fee \$30 includes one pilot meal. See website for details. Sponsor: TEAM REALM

Don't just look at the Pictures, Go Back and READ the Newsletter.

June 6th 1944 ... D-day.... 70 Years ago



D-day occurred on June 6, 1944. The battle lasted till August 25 1944 when Paris was liberated by the Allied troops. The battle took place in Normandy, France, then advanced upwards as the Allied troops began to take German occupied land which spread though Western Europe.

The Allied countries involved were Australia, Belgium, Canada, Czechoslovakia, France, Greece, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, United Kingdom and the United States. Germany was also involved... In a world war...

D-day was actually chosen for the date of June 5th, but was postponed till the next day because of rough seas.

- D-day war efforts were under the command of General Dwight D. Eisenhower, future president of the United States of America. He was a Republican. Their landing place was kept secret, and the German's were not expecting the attack.
- This was a well organized surprise attack with no mistakes.
- The Allies has 800 warships and 11 000 aircraft.
- Eisenhower ordered the Allied troops to enter the continent of Europe and undertake operations aimed at the heart of Germany and the destruction of her armed forces.
- There were 175,000 assault troops, 5, 000 vessels of every type, 20, 000 vehicles and 11, 000 aircraft of the Allied troops invading.
- Their objective was a 60 mile arc of the beaches in Normandy.
- During the night U.S. and British airborne forces went by parachutes and gliders to make protective shields at both ends of the beach.

- The forces at sea approached at dawn. The Allies in ships, cruisers released firearms and bombs pounded the shore.
- The first wave of assault troops went on landing crafts that prepared to go to shore at 6:30 am. By nine am, the water was crammed with human bodies.
- At Omaha Beach almost all members of a 197 man company were killed or wounded within ten minutes of landing on the beach.
- The Allies swarmed ashore at 5 points. The American troops landed at Omaha Beach, which is in the centre, had bloodiest battle. After five days of fighting, 16 Allied troops occupied a strip of coast 80 miles long and in some places 20 miles deep.
- Canadian forces landed at Juno Beach and Caen; the British troops landed at Pegasus bridge, Merville Battery, Gold Beach, Sword Beach, and Caen; the United States landed at Sainte-Mere-Eglise, Omaha Beach, Utah Beach, Pointe du Hoc; and French troops landed at Ouistreham and Resistance.
- As D-day happened, Hitler was asleep. None of his generals dared to order re-enforcement with out his permission and no one dared waking him. This caused crucial hours to be lost on to holding onto Normandy.
- By midday on D-day Allie forces were launching more men and even Omaha beach was being captured.
- At late afternoon on June 6th, Allies had finally gained a foothold in Hitler's Fortress Europe.
- The five beaches that the Allied troops had landed at were secured by the end of the day.
- The Canadian soldiers at Juno beach suffered 50% losses, the second highest of the day.
- The 3rd Canadian Division had penetrated further into France than any other of the Allied forces.

The casualties for the Allied troops on D-day were 53,700 dead, 18,000 missing, 155,000 wounded. For the German troops it was 200,000 dead, wounded and missing as well as 200,000 captured.

The Allies won the battle, liberating France and Western Europe from the German army. This battle helped win the war against Hitler.

That's All Folks.

Ken Kehlet TORKS Secretary 2014

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