

Lake-Geauga Helicopter Association

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July Heli Fly-Picnic

The LGHA members got together on July 7th for a FunFly, meeting, and picnic at the Takacs flying field. We were blessed with nice weather once again, albeit windy conditions. We appreciated Bill Takacs' efforts in preparing the field with his close mowing of the flight area. The members who were present, flew a lot, especially two visitors to the field- Eric Orszag, and Alex Grev. Eric comes from an RC background of racing cars and electric planes. He demonstrated his talents of heli flying with his Blade helicopter- remarkable progress for only flying helis for a couple of months. He also wanted to get a safety check of his TRex 450. He put this bird in a hover a few times, until the one-way bearing started to slip. It was quite enjoyable to see him fly. Alex Grev brought a couple of his tricked out foamy electric airplanes, which had seen many crashes, but flew great, nonetheless. He had explained his crash repair techniques, and conferenced with Dan Greathouse on how to improve his aircraft. He and Eric flew their airplanes in a couple of dogfights.

Doug Wagner had some extremely nice flying that day, but ended with a crash later in the day. We were pleasantly surprised at how little damage was sustained in the crash. Dave and Matt Klein flew the TRex and Mini-Titan respectively. Jeff Venecek, Richard Walker, and Steve Zuzek also had good flying the whole day. Dan Greathouse demonstrated his Lazer electric plane, and made some spectacular low passes at fast speed.

August FunFly

The LGHA membership will be getting together once again for a Heli get-together and picnic on **Saturday, August 18th**, at the Takacs flying field. Hopefully the weather will be just as good as in recent months. Come on down and enjoy the fun!

Rotorhead Ramblings

August 2007

The July LGHA meeting was held at the Takacs flying field during our July FunFly. Members who attended were: Mark Himmelman, Jeff Venecek, Doug Wagner, Bruce and Brian Munson, Matt and Dave Klein, Andy Jones, Richard Walker, Steve Zuzek, Dan Greathouse, and Bill Takacs. Special guests were Eric Orszag, who is currently flying a TRex 450 and Blade, and Alex Grev, who was flying some tricked out electric airplanes, when helis weren't flying. Eric has been only flying for a couple of months, and is quite proficient on the Blade, with nose-in, forward flight, and inverted flight. Eric was there to get some pointers on setting up his TRex for safe flight. Alex Grev wowed the crowds with his acrobatic flight stunts and racing around the field with his planes. Both are very good pilots, and quite safety conscious. Hope to have them soon joining our ranks.

Members discussed the XFC event in Muncie, with hot air balloons to watch, and the Hirobo Cup event in Michigan, where Alex Rodriguez came in 17th. There were a full-size helicopter and a gyrocopter on hand at the event for all to look at.

August Meeting

The next LGHA meeting will be held on August 1st, at 7:00 PM.

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and Euclid Ave. exit, on the north
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