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## President's Message - Jim Young

First I would like to thank Thomas Flynn for running the August fun fly. While the turnout was not as high as the last one, I think everyone had a good time. I have not heard of any significant safety violations, so I would like to thank all of you for straightening up and flying right.

The next order of business is the club picnic in September. If you would like to help out with this

event, please contact myself or one of the officers. We also talked about moving our swap meet to the end of the year. One suggestion was to hold it the day after Thanksgiving, so you could drop your wife at the mall and go pick up some good deals or makes some extra cash yourself. Please bring your thoughts on this to the meeting at Ray field.



## Editor's Note Pad - Dave Hurt

The fall fun fly and picnic is coming up pretty quick once again, it's hard to believe that another flying season is almost at its end. At the time of this writing, we still need someone to handle the food

and cooking for the picnic. I will be taking care of the flying events for this event, and you can expect a few events we haven't done in a long time. So come on out, bring

your family, bring your dog; just come on out to the field and have a good time.

September is also a busy month for shows in the area. On the 10th and 11th is Mid-

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## Editor's Note Pad, cont - Dave Hurt

west's fall air show, as well as the Island Lake Float Fly in. There are some great models and great flying in our area, so come on out and support these clubs. I also encourage you to get out and fly in these events, even if you're a fairly new pilot. Not everyone can put on a 4 minute freestyle routine, but it's always good to see all the different styles of flying that is going on.

On one last note before I wrap things up for this month, is that I want to encourage everyone to get involved in the club activities. Helping out with the fun fly's, teaching at student night, helping with finding a new field; there are many more jobs around the club that could use your hand. So stop by the meeting in September at Ray Field and see what there is for you to help out with.



## August Meeting Minutes - Dennis Robbins

The meeting started at 7:30 PM and the July meeting minutes were read to the group and approved. They will be published in the July Thunderbolt.

**Treasurer's Report:** The club remains solvent - contact Roger Wilfong for details.

**V.P.'s Report:** Joel has reported that local inhabitants at Ray Field occasionally visit while he cuts the grass. For safety's sake, we hope they stay away from Joel and his cutting (and frequently dangerous) operation.

**Secretary's Report:** The club continues to grow with membership now at 72 members. Contact Gary if you would like a membership roster or if you need a name badge. He'll be placing an order for badges soon, so contact Gary if you've never received one.

**Current (and old) Issues:** Warren Wells agreed to help the Flight Instruction program by taking the Buddy Boxes and chords in for inspection. Warren is authorized to make repairs to those units as required. On Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>, the Ribcrackers will host a Fun Fly at Ray Field. Watch next month's Thunderbolt for a report. On Sept. 17/18, the Midland RC club will host a Fly-In – Ribcracker members are invited. There were no safety issues to report in July. The September meeting will be held at Ray Field.

**Model of the Month** – And the winner was.....Roger Wilfong with a Tiger Kitten done in a very realistic tiger motif. Very nicely done! Power is with a 480 brushless motor. Also shown and taking much applause was Tim Young, showing an electric Mini-Ventura. Earlier, Tim had shown the membership how well the plane flew, while his father, Jim, watched with great pride.

The meeting adjourned about 8:05 PM.

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### Upcoming Events

Date	Event	Location	Contact
September 12	Ribcracker Club Meeting 7:30 pm	Ray Field	Jim Young (810) 565-2973
September 18	Fun Fly and Picnic Flying starts at 10AM	Ray Field	Dave Hurt (248) 767-4639
October 3	Ribcracker Club Meeting 7:30 pm	Livonia Senior Citizens Center	Jim Young (810) 565-2973
October 19	Last Student Night		
November 7	Ribcracker Club Meeting 7:30 pm	Livonia Senior Citizens Center	Jim Young (810) 565-2973