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Charter Club #2136

Some upcoming events for the club.

Float Fly at Darren's June 3, At: Little Sand Lake, Biss Rd. (65) fire number 9155.

Land of the Loon Parade June 17.

Babbitt Fun Fly June 24.

BBQ Water Wood Pines July 8.

Duluth Air Show July 15 & 16.

Matt Sippola is going to bring dirt to Thunderbird field. There will have to be a work party to move it. He has a roller and will use it to roll it.

Will still have to work on Babbitt field.

The Iron Range Radio Control Club was invited to participate in Cherry Spring Pride Night May 9th and North Woods Spring Family Fun Night May 11. The club had a static display with planes that could not be flown in the gym, these planes were glow fuel and gas powered. We could only fly electric motor planes in the gym. Tony Kostanko flew a small Night Vapor in the gym. This is an electric powered plane suitable for a smaller gym. The plane has lights, so the gym lights were turned off for a short period of time during the flight. The audience was

surprised how bright the LED lights were. Pat Doran flew his small electric helicopter. It was his first flight this year. Pat commented about being very nervous. He made a good short first flight. We talked about the club. When the club got started around 1978, and the two flying fields. The Thunderbird field on the south side of Sheldon Junction Rd. The Babbitt field is off Highway 21 and Highway 70, the same side as the golf course. We mentioned that the club must have an Academy of Model Aeronautics Charter membership. Each flying field must have insurance to protect the landowner or building. Each member must have their own insurance through AMA. This shows that the pilot can fly at any AMA Field and has AMA insurance.

Dave Rosu brought his flight simulator. He was kept busy the whole night. The kids really enjoyed flying the trainer style plane on the flight simulator. Bruce Rynes was helping with both the paper and 9-inch foam plate gliders. He commented, he never thought we would be making gliders at our age.

Hope the weather gets better so we can get some flying in at the field. See you there.