Woodland/Davis Aeromodelers



Nov Newsletter 2026

We're rounding third on another year, heading almost into November, Still some good flying weather to be had, hope you are able to take advantage of it.

Toys 4 Tots: Chuck has things all teed up for Toys 4 Tots. Bring an unwrapped toy and let's all get together for fun and flying. Saturday November 7.

Updated Membership Application: Renewals are underway for 2027, please check for the new membership app and some updated fees. It will be live on the website shortly.

RC Car Area has been getting love from Greg Budde. He would love help and others to be enjoying this area. Working to make this an area to enjoy this facet of the hobby where many of us cut our teeth many years ago. We want to make this area maintainable and another attractive area within our site. Jump in and help out!

Officer nominations will open in November, so join us at Round Table for the next meeting on November 9 at 6 pm for the board meeting and 7 pm for the general meeting. All officers, and a board position will be open this year.

That's about it for me this month, looking forward to building season!

Jeff

Prez Sez	Jeff Lovitt
WDA Board Mtg Minutes	Miguel Halpern
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Toys For Tots	

The WDA General meeting is scheduled for 7pm Monday Nov. 9th at Round Table Pizza in Woodland.
Board Meeting @ 6pm.
wdarc.org

WDA Board Meeting Oct. 17th 2026

Members in attendance: Chris, Mike, Miguel, Chuck, Forrest, Jeff, Keith, Danny.

Forrest Barton called the meeting to order at 9:06am
Motion to approve the Sept. minutes set by mike and seconded by Chris, motion approved

President: Collected various RC items from a former club member and will hold for the next swap meet. Jeff makes a motion to waive the dues for 2027 for Miguel, due to his constant work at the field, motion voted and approved

Vice President: No report

Secretary: No report

Treasurer: reviewed Profit and Loss statement for Sept. No issues, final water bill paid
Membership at 117, and new PayPal address coming for the 2027 renewals.

Old Business: Reviewed the new membership application form and pricing. Juniors will now be billed at $40 per year, with no voting rights. Motion made by Jeff, second by Chuck. All approved. The point waiver sentence will be removed and anyone needing the waiver will be done on a case by case basis. Hours will be on a 1:1 basis now. The new system is simpler and easier to manage. An email to the membership will go out soon.
Miguel reviewed the status of the mowers. A motion was made to take the John Deere in for its annual service by Miguel and second by Chris. All approved. Will contact John Deere or Pape for a quote.
Greg reviewed the progress being made on the RC car area. He has graded the track for an oval and has removed all the weeds. Talked about using and moving the old telephone logs to supplement the build. He marked the poles that are not usable and Keith and Bill will drag those off in the future. A motion for the expenditure of up to $200 dollars was made for weed killer that Greg can apply to maintain the area. Chris made first and second by Jeff, all approved

New Business: Chuck Warren talked about the Young Eagles event coming up at the Yolo airport and has club flyers ready to hand out.
Toys for Tots coming up next, chuck will make the flyers again and Keith volunteered to deliver some to RC country hobby shop.

Meeting adjourned at 9:58.

Next meeting at Round table on 11-9-2026. 6 p.m. for Board. And 7 p.m. for General

WDA October General meeting 2026

Meeting called to order by Forrest Barton at 10:08am
There were no minutes to approve from last month.

President: No Report

Vice President: no movement on the field acquisition currently. The boy Scott project to place a shade structure over the portable toilets will begin after the meeting.

Secretary: No Report

Treasurer: reviewed the Profit and loss statement for Sept., No issues going forward.
We got a few Control Line new members and we are now at 117.
The CD in the bank got rolled over once more enabling the club to have funds for the field purchase whenever that takes place.
Explains the new dues structure and points system. All getting easier and simpler

Old Business: low turn out for the Float Fly, but we were able to pay for the lake and make a small profit. Weather was excellent.
Young eagle event on Sunday at the Yolo airport, we will be there
Toy's for Tots coming up on Nov. 7th. Come fly and bring a toy. Last year was great !!

RC car area, beginning to be prepped by Greg and a few others.

No new business

No Show and tell

Club meetings moving back indoors at the Round Table Pizza in Woodland on Pioneer.
Next meeting Monday evening Nov. 9th
7 pm for general meeting

Motion to adjourn made at 10:21 all in favor.



Modeler's Corner

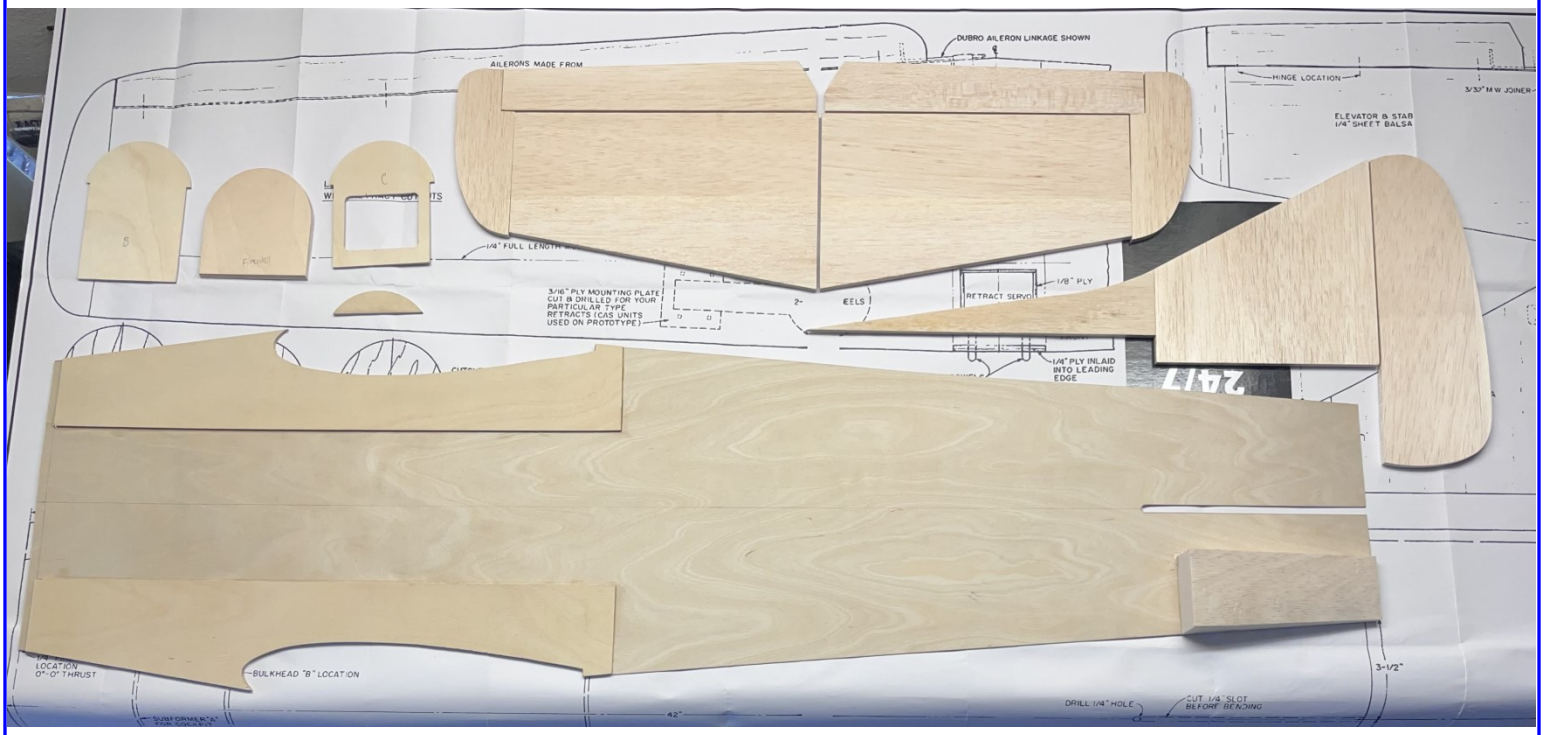


Just a friendly reminder to those who might be growing tired of reading about **what I am working on each month**… I would be thrilled to receive a build article or product review from some intrepid modeler! Don't be shy! Show us what you are building, assembling, or even scheming…

As I have in the recent past, I finally decided to build a model that made a very long-lasting impression on me. This aircraft was featured in an RC Modeler magazine, circa 1974. I was 13 years old and totally enamored with radio controlled model airplanes (nothing's changed:) I was also a fan of the original Star Trek series, but I don't believe that is what attracted me to this model… it was something about the sweeping lines of this sleek pattern plane and that Super Tiger G60 blue head that convinced me, "I MUST BUILD THIS THING SOME DAY!"

Well, it has only taken 52 years for me to finally make good on my declaration, but better late than never, right?

As with most "plans built" models, it's a good idea to create a "short kit" so that all the shaped pieces are on hand prior to beginning construction.

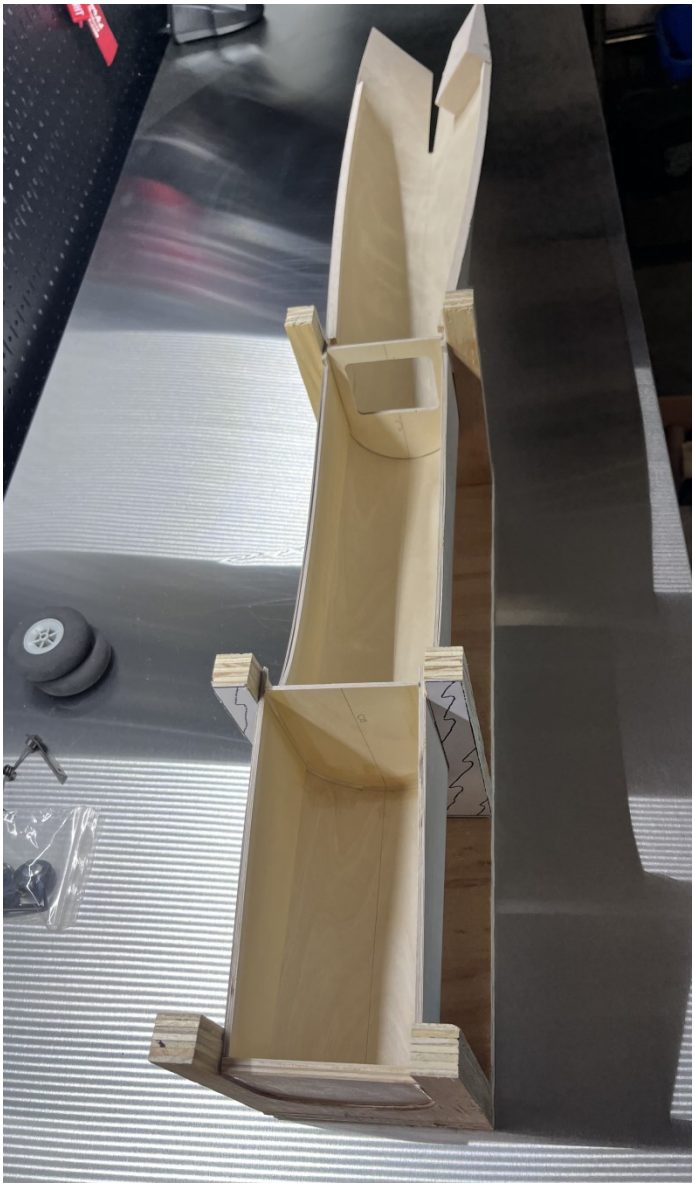


The Star Trek's fuselage construction always fascinated me, as I have never seen another fuselage built this way, before or since. A fuselage jig is first constructed from 3/4" ply with supports located at the fire-



wall and formers B and C.

The fuselage skin is cut from a large sheet of 1/32" ply. After doublers and a tail block are added, the length of the ply sheet is wet with warm water, then pushed down into the jig, followed by the firewall and two formers.





STAR TREK

How many of us have sat and dreamed about an airplane that would fly any of the patterns, be fairly inexpensive, reap praise from our flying buddies, and, best of all, be extremely quick to build.

Photos And Text By BERT G. 'DOC' MOORE

At the time this aircraft was featured as an RC Modeler construction article, the required wing could be purchased for $19.95 from the company LANIER. If you've been in his hobby for several decades, chances are you have heard of Lanier. They were literally one of the first to offer genuine 'ARF' (Almost Ready to Fly) model aircraft. Unlike some of the early ARF offerings, which were almost always injection molded foam, Lanier ARFs featured plywood fuselage skeletons with a plastic outer body. Similarly, they had wire cut foam wings with a bonded semi-rigid plastic skin.

By today's standards, these ARFs were primitive in many respects, but they did offer RC enthusiasts a much quicker path to getting airborne than a conventional built-up wood kit.

While I was unable to acquire a Lanier "Jester" wing, and was un-

willing to purchase a very rare complete kit just for the wing, I was able to find a gent willing to cut a Jester foam wing and sell it to me. This will actually work out better as I much-prefer a sheeted and glassed finish to the original Lanier bonded plastic wing skin.

The two wing halves will be joined at the center, and shaped balsa wing tips and trailing edges will be added.

I have an old NIB set of Dave Brown mechanical retracts I intend to use, but first gear pockets and all the necessary hardwood mounting and reinforcements will have to be added.





The wing will be sheeted with 1/16" balsa then covered in fiber-glass cloth and resin.

The fuselage will also be cloaked in light glass cloth and resin.

Not sure yet on paint, since the choices of fuel proof paints are limited, and likely aren't going to come in a rattle can.

Power will be a Super Tiger G60 blue head with a Super Tiger muf-fler. Both of these items are con-sidered "collectable" and I hesitate to pull them from my collection since the moment they become "used," the value takes a 50% haircut! On the other hand, that S.T. blue head .60 was one of my primary attractions to this vintage pattern plane, and as they say… "we live once."

Happy Thanksgiving to y'all!



Until next month, BUILD SOMETHING.

Rich Geertson

TOYS FOR TOTS

BRING A TOY!

2026

SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 7TH
8AM TO 1PM

https://www.wdarc.org



HELP MAKE A CHILD'S CHRISTMAS AMAZING!

- NEW TOYS ONLY
- AGES ALL AGES
- SAFE & APPROPRIATE

TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

COME WATCH!
COME FLY!

FLIGHT INSTRUCTION WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR ALL AGES!

WOODLAND DAVIS AEROMODELERS

The Woodland Davis RC Aeromodelers (WDARC) will be hosting our Annual Toys for Tots drive at our field.

LOCATION: 43295 COUNTY ROAD 29 DAVIS, CA 95616 | BETWEEN ROAD 102 AND ROAD 105

COME WATCH some of our members fly Radio Control Aircraft (Electric, Gas & Turbine) and Control Line.

COME VISIT Woodland Davis Aeromodelers. Flight instructors are available for instruction and training.

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING DONATION GUIDELINES IN MIND:

NEW TOYS ONLY – All toys donated must be new and unwrapped.

AGE APPROPRIATENESS – Consider donating toys suitable for children of various ages.

SAFETY STANDARDS – ensure toys are safe for the age group they are intended for. Avoid Toys with small parts that could pose choking hazards for younger children.

ALL DONATIONS WILL GO TO THE
WOODLAND CA MARINE TOYS FOR TOTS
(https://woodland-ca.toysfortots.org)

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