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# Weather Fantastic At TCRC Season Finale

by Jim Cook

Wow! Whoever picked October 15<sup>th</sup> date for the TCRC Season Finale really knew what he was doing! The sun was shining brightly, the sky was crystal clear, the temperature was heading for 70 and the wind was a nice light breeze right down the runway.



The pits and parking lot filled up early at the TCRC Season Finale.  
(Photo by Jim Cook)

Mike Timmerman was CD for the event and got a big assist from wife Sheri. The shelter featured tablecloths, and the counter had food from one end to the other. Start time was 11:00 AM and at that time the parking lot was filling up fast. So were the pits. Rick Smith was first up

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## TCRC Banquet November 13<sup>th</sup>

The TCRC Annual Banquet will be held on Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at Dangerfield's Restaurant in Shakopee.

Start time is 5:00 PM for cocktails from the cash bar and the buffet dinner will start at 6:00 PM.

Cost of the banquet is \$26/person and that includes the meal, dessert and gratuity.

The banquet is always a very enjoyable event and a great time for members and spouses to get to know others in the club. It is an ideal time for the newer members to TCRC to get to find out that our club is more than just flying airplanes.

Those planning on attending should RSVP to treasurer John Dietz as soon as possible. We need to let Dangerfield's know how many to expect on Sunday. John's phone number is 952-831-1257.

A registration form was mailed with the October *Flare Out* and can also be gotten from the club website, TCRConline.com. These can be sent to John at 8609 Oxborough Avenue S, Bloomington, MN 55437 or given to him at the membership meeting on November 8<sup>th</sup>. ©

# From The Left Seat

by Jay Bickford

It is with a bit of sadness that I write this article, as this is the last TCRC President's Report I will be writing this year. Next month's TCRC President's Report will come from your new president for 2006. I would like to thank you for the confidence you placed in me this year and for the opportunity to serve the club as your president. It has been a pleasure. You are a great group of guys!

The next big events on the TCRC calendar for 2005 are the annual election, and annual banquet. The election will be held at the November monthly club meeting on Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2005, at 7:00 PM at Cross Point Church in Bloomington. As this is also an election night for the state, our club meeting will be held in an alternate room of the church. Please look for the TCRC signs directing you to the appropriate

room when you come in. And please plan on attending and casting your votes for the various officer positions this year. As of this writing, we are still in need of volunteers to run for the positions of President, Vice President, and Treasurer. Please consider running for one of the open positions this year. The club is only as good as the volunteers that make it run.

The annual TCRC Banquet, which will be held on Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, promises to be a great event again this year. (The registration form for the banquet was in last month's newsletter, and can also be found at the club website, [TCRCOnline.com](http://TCRCOnline.com)). Plan now on attending and having a great time with your fellow club members. There will be good food and great fun for everyone.

This year's TCRC Season Finale held on October 15<sup>th</sup> came off without a hitch, and was probably one of the best we have had in the past few years. The weather couldn't have been better, and it really showed by the turn out we had for the event this year. Thanks go out to Mike Timmer-

man and his wife Sheri for coordinating the event, and to all the club members and family that came out to make it such a great event.

Here's hoping to see you at the Jordan field and at the monthly meetings this next year. ☺

## New Members

Todd Golle became TCRC's newest member after visiting the club's Jordan flying site during the Season Finale.

Todd lives with his wife Joan at 13055 Meadow Lane in Savage, 55378. Their phone number is 612-889-5512 and his e-mail address is [tgolle@transcapeLLC.com](mailto:tgolle@transcapeLLC.com). Todd has been flying R/C for 12 years and currently has an Avistar 40, a Cap 580 and an Aristi 40 to keep him busy in the air.

When you see Todd at a meeting or the field, be sure and introduce yourself and welcome him to TCRC. ☺

## Hobby Warehouse

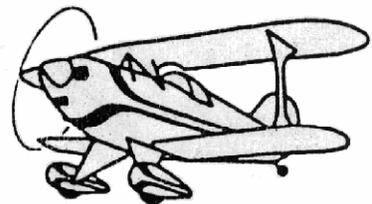
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## Season Finale

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into the air with his Ultimate Bipe and was soon followed by many, many more.

Sheri Timmerman and Gerry Dunne had made chili, and Bobbi Dziuk had a crock pot of delicious beans ready for a hungry group. Mike had the grill lit and full of hamburgers and hot dogs. When he rang the lunch bell, the group had swelled to about 50 members, spouses and kids, and all had plenty to eat.

TCRC's newest member, Todd Golle, (having joined that morning) got a maiden flight on his sport plane. He had been up all night getting it ready and that first flight went very well.

The Season Finale was held just days after the Minnesota River had gone back into its banks for the 4<sup>th</sup> time this year. It was hard to tell that the field had been flooded. The Jordan flying site looked fantastic!

The pits were crammed full of planes. There were probably 20 or 25 pilots present and nobody just brought one plane. From start time until end time, the sky was full of aircraft. The light breeze was constant, coming down the northwest runway and flying conditions couldn't have been better.

What would the Season Finale be with the Grim Reaper, and the 2005 edition had two. Gerry Dunne and son Gerry donned appropriate garb and committed those hapless planes

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## The Host And Hostess At The Season Finale Did A Great Job



**Sheri and Mike Timmerman were really organized as they chaired the TCRC Season Finale. (Photo by Jim Cook)**

## Catching Some Rays



**Kathy Dietz, Sharon Erickson and Norma Naegele enjoy the sun, the company and the flying at Jordan. (Photo by Jim Cook)**

## Season Finale

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that met untimely accidents to the funeral flames. There was a considerable stack of carcasses but the two Gerry's dispatched them into the great beyond with fanfare.

The great flying conditions were probably responsible for the fact that there were no crashes during the entire day. Flying continued all day and there were a few times when there were six planes up at once. Even when CD Mike was getting ready to leave, more pilots were arriving. Chris and Nathan O'Connor started putting their giant-scale planes into the air, as did Jim Miller.

The field was in great shape and another special thanks goes to Pat Dziuk and Mark Folkerts who brought the starting benches and tables back down to the field prior to Mike's arrival.

Thanks to all of the members and family that brought snacks and desserts. Everyone attending was treated to a real feast. Also, thanks to Gerry and Gerry for donning the Grim Reaper outfits, and thanks to all who came out on one of the nicest Saturdays of the year to enjoy a great Season Finale.

Lastly, a very big thank you to Mike and Sheri Timmerman for putting on a very memorable Season Finale. Mike said it best, "What can I say but it was about as close to perfect as a day can get at that time of year. Blue sky overhead, a light breeze, food on the table, planes in the air, and friends and family to enjoy it with!" ☺

## The Sky Was Crystal Clear And Host To Plane After Plane



**Morgan Larson's Decathlon soars through the sky at the Season Finale. (Photo by Jim Cook)**

## Grim Reaper Times Two



**Grim Reaper Gerry Dunne and the Reaper's Assistant Gerry Junior add another plane to the fire. (Photo by Jim Cook)**

# Pictures From TCRC's Season Finale



**Bobbi Dziuk, Sheri Timmerman & Gerry Dunne had the chili & beans concession at the Finale.**



**TCRC's newest member Todd Golle takes the sticks on a beautiful day at the Season Finale.**



**The shelter was full of lots of hungry people when Mike Timmerman rang the dinner bell.**



**Rick Smith makes a nice low fly-by for the camera during the flying at the Season Finale.**



**CD Mike Timmerman mans the grill at the SF.**

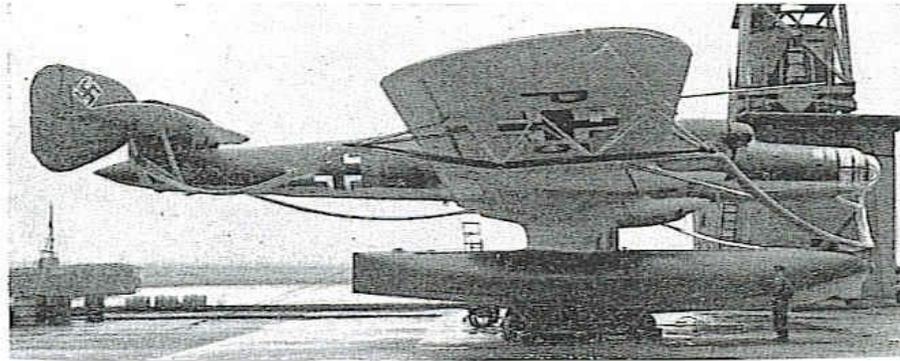


**Lots of neat planes graced the pits at the event.**

# Blohm und Voss BV139

by Conrad Naegele

The October Mystery Plane was the German Blohm und Voss BV 139.



For its newly-established transatlantic postal service, Lufthansa issued specifications for a new marine aircraft. It was required to both take-off and land in rough water, be suitable for catapult launch, and be able to carry 1,102 pounds of payload, for at least 3,107 miles.

A number of design studies were presented, and Blohm und Voss was awarded a contract for three prototypes. A specially developed Junkers Jumo diesel engine with 25% more power and 25% lower fuel consumption was provided, as compared to a conventional gas engine.

The first prototype flew in 1937. Two additional models were put into service between Horta Azores and New York. In three months, seven crossings were made using two depot ships. In November, 1938, the planes were updated with enlarged tail surfaces, and underwing radiators for engine cooling. At that time about 700 flying hours had been logged. At this time most of the planes were switched to a south Atlantic route. In 1939, all of these aircraft were transferred to the Luftwaffe, and refitted to primary mine laying roles, and troop transport, for use in the Norway invasion. The ultimate fate of these splendid aircraft was scrapping in 1944. The significance of these planes was they showed that the commercial age of aviation had arrived carrying mail and people across the oceans safely.

A brief reference to this aircraft was made in the 'air mail' column of the August, 2005 issue of *Flying Models*. This was not the world's largest float plane, rather refer to the Cant Z-511 for that honor.

The Blohm und Voss BV139 had a wingspan of 88 feet 7 inches, a weight of 38,530 pounds and a range of 3,293 miles. It was powered by four 600 horsepower Junkers 205C diesel engines. ☺

# From The Co-Pilot's Seat

by Gerry Dunne

Hi TCRC'ers! How is your flying going this month?

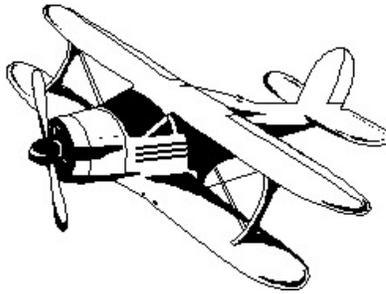
We just had our Season Finale on Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, and it was one of the best I have ever seen. The weather couldn't have been better with bright sunshine and a light breeze, and a huge crowd of members and their families. Mike Timmerman did a great job CD'ing the event, and we had tons of food to eat all day. The Grim Reaper made his annual appearance. He had a hot fire going and sacrificed several of those planes that were unlucky enough not to make it through the season. It is said that the Reaper even tried to take some of those that were being flown that day, but he was stopped. He said he would wait until next year to get them.

We have the TCRC elections scheduled for Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> during the regular meeting. We have all of the officer seats up for grabs, so consider being a candidate for one of those seats. I will not be running for reelection to my vice president's seat. I have enjoyed being your VP these past years and now am looking forward to spending more time with my family.

Don't forget we have the TCRC Banquet on Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>. This is always a great time. Sign up today.

Well, that's it for now, so fly fast, fly safe, and try to land on the wheels. ☺

## Show & Tell



Beautiful planes keep showing up at the membership meetings.



Dave Kurschner had his new Hanger 9 Twist at the October 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. (Photo by Jim Cook)

New member Dave Kurschner had his Hanger 9 ARF Twist at the last membership meeting. This plane was covered with Yellow Ultrakote with purple trim. This plane is designed for aerobatics and had huge control surfaces and a fully-symmetrical wing. Dave had a Saito 82 4-stroke engine in it for power. The kit called for a .46-size 2-stroke. He bought the ARF at Hobby Warehouse for only \$89, and he said it was an easy plane to put together. He put the maiden flight on it on Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, and loved how it flew. It took zero trim changes and was very responsive. ☺

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## Novice Pattern

For many years, TCRC held annual 'pattern' contests, and long-time member Chris O'Connor was a competitor in the contests during those years.

Now Chris is interested in acquainting current club members with 'pattern' and has given short presentations on pattern at the September and October meetings.

Chris has planned several more presentations at future meetings. To help Chris in this endeavor the *Flare Out* will do a series of articles on pattern over the next few months. It is hoped that these discussions and articles will create enough interest among the members that TCRC can hold a 'novice pattern' contest in the spring of 2006.

What is novice pattern? Novice pattern is a series of 10 maneuvers as prescribed by the AMA. These maneuvers are:

1. **Take-off (U)**
2. **Straight Flight Out (U)**
3. **½ Reverse Cuban-8**
4. **Straight Flight Back (D)**
5. **Stall Turn (U)**
6. **Immelmann Turn (U)**
7. **Split-S**
8. **3 Inside Loops (U)**
9. **1 Horizontal Roll (D)**
10. **Landing (U)**

'U' denotes upwind and 'D' denotes downwind.

Plan on attending the membership meetings and watch the newsletter for pattern articles in the upcoming months. ☺

## TCRC Elections November 8<sup>th</sup>

TCRC's elections will be held at the membership meeting on Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>.

Six of the seven board seats are up for election this year – president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and two director positions.

Jay Bickford, TCRC president will not be running for re-election this year. Long-time member Jim Miller has agreed to run for the position but was hoping to see at least one other member also be a candidate.

Gerry Dunne, current TCRC vice president will also not be running for re-election this year. Long-time member Chris O'Connor has agreed to run for that position for this year.

Pat Dziuk is the current secretary and he has agreed to run for re-election for 2006.

John Dietz is the current treasurer and he will not be running for re-election. Currently no one has announced as a candidate for treasurer.

Mike Timmerman and Jim Ronhovde's director seats are up for election. Mike has announced he will run again, and at press time Jim Ronhovde was undecided if he would run in 2006. In addition, Gerry Dunne and Dave Maurer have announced as candidates for board seats.

Scott Anderson holds the last director seat, but his seat is not up for election in 2006.

Please consider running for any of the six seats in the TCRC election on Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. TCRC is a great R/C club with a fantastic flying site and this is because the club has had concerned members that have taken part in its many activities. Let's see those members take part as candidates for TCRC's offices and board. Come to the meeting on Tuesday as both a voter and a candidate. ☺

## AMA Executive Director Departs

The Academy of Model Aeronautics Executive Council (EC), the governing body of the organization, and its Executive Director, Don Koranda, have reached a mutual decision not to renew Koranda's contract. This decision was made at the EC's quarterly meeting on October 15, 2005. It is effective immediately.

Longtime AMA employee Joyce Hager has been appointed staff director and will oversee the day-to-day operations until an interim executive director has been named. "Joyce is an accomplished executive who is well-prepared to fill the association's immediate staff leadership needs while a replacement executive director is sought." said AMA president Dave Brown. "We are very fortunate that she is willing to assume this position."

The EC has appointed a three-person search committee charged

with locating qualified candidates and making a recommendation to the council. Committee members include the chairman, Richard Hanson (District X), and members Andy Argenio (District I), and Dave Mathewson (District II). Joyce Hager will function as a staff liaison to the committee.

The committee's search may take as long as one year. "Reaching consensus on the expectations of an executive director and finding the right person is much more important than filling that permanent position quickly", Brown said. Koranda's departure follows 10 months at the helm of the 165,000-member association. "I knew the risks when I accepted this position and have absolutely no regrets", Koranda said recently in a E-mail to staff and the EC. "I also have no doubt about the direction in which AMA needs to go to meet its full potential. In my view, we accomplished a lot in 10 months."

"We will miss the vision Don brought to AMA, and we will do our best to continue many of the programs Don initiated during his tenure", Brown said.

*(Reprinted from The AMA Insider, the national newsletter of the Academy of Model Aeronautics, Jessica Booth, Editor.)* ☺

**TCRC meets every month on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 7:00 PM in Fellowship Hall of CrossPoint Church located on the southeastern corner of the intersection of 98<sup>th</sup> Street and France Avenue in Bloomington. Guests are welcome to attend these meetings.**

## AMA Dues Payable Now

Every AMA member should have received his membership renewal notice in the mail in October.

2006 AMA dues are:

- Regular \$58
- Senior \$48
- Junior \$1

To qualify as a senior member, you must be over age 65 on July 1, 2006.

AMA lists December 15<sup>th</sup> as the deadline to renew your membership without the risk of interruption of your *Model Aviation* subscription. However, this year AMA also states that any member that renews his/her membership by March 31, 2006 will be automatically entered in a sweepstakes for a \$5,000 ARF airplane.

Remember, every TCRC member is required to be a member of AMA at the time that he/she renews his/her club membership.

There are four ways to renew your AMA membership – online at [www.modelaircraft.org](http://www.modelaircraft.org); by telephone at 1-800-435-9292; by fax at 1-765-741-0057; or by mail using the envelope enclosed with the renewal notice.

Take the time to renew your AMA membership today. ☺

## AMA Elections

November is AMA election month. This year, the nation office of Executive Vice President is up and the District VP offices in Districts III, VII and XI. TCRC is in District VII.

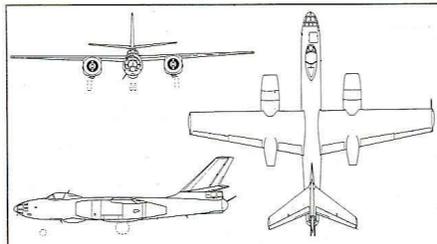
The District VII VP incumbent is Bill Oberdieck and he is running unopposed this year.

The candidates for Executive VP are incumbent Doug Holland and the challenger Horrace Cain. Their campaign statements can be found in the October issue of *Model Aviation* on pages 160-161 or on the website at [modelaircraft.org](http://modelaircraft.org).

Every AMA member for the year 2005 should have received the official ballot in the mail in October. The ballot must be postmarked by November 14, 2005 in order to be counted.

Take the time to read the campaign statements of the candidates and complete your ballot and get it into the mail today. ☺

## November Mystery Plane



## TCRC Dues

Members usually start to pay their next year's TCRC dues in the month of November.

This year, the board of directors has discussed the possibility of a dues increase for 2006. However, the 2005 board decided it would be best to leave that decision to the Joint Board Meeting which is scheduled for November 29<sup>th</sup>. The joint board meeting is a meeting of the 2005 board and the newly-elected 2006 board.

If you have an opinion on what TCRC's dues should be, give an officer or board member a call and let him know of your feelings. Also plan on being at the membership meeting on Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. ☺

## Calendar

Nov. 8	TCRC Membership Meeting, 7:00 PM Fellowship Hall CrossPoint Church Bloomington
Nov. 8	TCRC Elections
Nov. 13	TCRC Annual Banquet 5:00 PM Dangerfield's Restaurant Shakopee
Nov. 29	Joint Board Meeting
Feb. 11	TCRC Auction St. Peter's Church Richfield, MN

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## Up In Smoke!



The remains of a Big Stik are consumed by the flames at the 2005 edition of the Season Finale. The Grim Reaper seemed to take glee as he sacrificed the carcasses of earlier crashes to the fire. ☺

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