



# The Sunbeam

## President's Column

by Craig Krueger

I think I'm safe in saying winter is over. Then again this is Iowa, anything can happen. Maybe I shouldn't say that.

Things are starting to happen on the runway mat. After hours of pulling staples by many people, all four rows of the old mat have been rolled up. And.....then the rain and wind took over the project. Maybe in a week or so we might consider trying to lay the new mat. This is Iowa remember. But you know, things seem to work out in the end. And when looking back when it is completed, hopefully the delays will be worth the wait. Something I brought up at the last Board Meeting is we should have some type of celebration after the mat project is completed. Doesn't have to be anything big, but a project this size shouldn't go un-noticed. More on this at a later date.

Yes, the Port-a-pot should be ready for use when the soil is dry enough for the truck to drive on. Just incase someone has the urge!

In closing, I must tell you this story. I was standing in line to check in for my flight and the passenger ahead of me had a very large box that he wanted to carry on. The passenger agent very politely explained to him that the box was too large and would have to be checked. The passenger argued with the agent, but the agent reiterated the box had to be checked. This made the passenger furious and he shouted "There are other airlines you know and as far as I'm concerned, you know where you can shove yours!" Still calm even after that rant, the agent very politely replied "Well sir, if you can do that with your box, you can take it on board with you!"

Take care,

Craig

## Club Calendar

**May 13** Regular meeting at the the field!  
Meet the new mat?  
Bring Show'N'Tell items!

**Sept. 6 & 7** Multi-Fly 2014.  
Spread the word!

## Ames Flight Breakfast Report

Kent Woods, Denny Goodrich and Dave Popelka provided a few models and objects and talked to passersby at the Ames Flight Breakfast on April 24. To our surprise, all displays were outdoors. With the brisk north wind it was chilly and hard to keep things on the table! Several other members stopped by and it was fun to see the helicopter sweep the the grass runway of leaves. The biggest leaf blower ever seen!

## The Scrap Bin

by Denny Goodrich

The Central Iowa Aeromodelers are about to roll out a new runway! But first, the old tarp needed to get rolled up.

The first round of fabric rolling participants were Mark Taylor, Lowell Mathison, Craig Kreuger and Steve Bagatti. Photo at right by Mark Taylor.

The final two rolls were attended to by Kent Woods, Matt Graesh, Steve Bagatti, Walt Erickson, Steve Brodie, Paul Heins and Denny Goodrich. The photo was snapped by Scott Hornstein.



Windy and wet weather has held up the job as of this writing, but it will get put down.

Some of the old stuff will get reused as taxi ways.

The charge to the club treasury has been largely alleviated donations. Donors are Mark Taylor, Steve Bagatti, Brian Tibben, Don Sprague, John Muggenberg, Craig Krueger, Dave Popelka, and Denny Goodrich.

Have you ever wondered from what direction the wind usually blows? This interesting site show wind roses for airports in Iowa. Notice the monthly break downs.

[Wind Roses](#)

**Executive Council Minutes**

Mark Taylor

The Executive Council met at Cafe Melos on Thursday, April 24. Mark Taylor, Craig Krueger, Kent Woods, Dave Sult and Dave Popelka were present. Denny arrived late from out of town.

Bonehead of the Month Nominee's:

1. Dave Popelka for putting two batteries together instead of charge plugs.

Topics discussed:

- How to solder Dean's plugs: Dave Sult (*I have a jig to hold the plug! Editor*)
- Craig on Pumpkin Pie (but bought the crust - gasp!)
- FAA being sued by S&R pioneers.
- "Elementary" stars killer drones.
- Illinois club backs out of taking the old mat.
- Petromat must be disposed
- Celebration of new mat installation?
- Sell Ahrens mower? Expect about \$900.
- Cost of project \$2168, of which \$1350 (at that time) donated.
- New rolls are 15' wide, old were 12'. Return one roll?
- How to lay mat in the wind. Mechanical contraptions suggested.
- Early morning rollout sessions?



From Mark:

Yes, that's the Don Smith Bf-110 kit I bought in 2007: commissioned Dave Sult to build it for me.

He did an incredible job. I just took it home last weekend

It's in the unusual markings of the Iraqi Air Force: briefly staffed and supplied by Germany in 1941.

## The Central Iowa Aeromodelers

<http://centraliowaeromodelers.weebly.com/index.html>

This club has been established to promote all facets of the hobby/sport of model aviation and to provide assistance and fellowship for its members. AMA Charter 2091.

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Welcome !

Sam Sutter  
Steve Brodie

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already rejoined!

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