



# Astr Wings



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### February Meeting

This month's club meeting is on  
February 20 at 7:30PM.

## From the President

Hi Guys,

This is the winter that never was at least so far. We flew at the field both the 5th and 6th of Feb. and it almost got warm outside, enough so that we could take off the winter coats. I usually can count on flying indoors at the dome this time of the year and then plan on a day in the shop, but these days all I'm doing is flying. I'm getting worn out.

By the way speaking of the dome if anyone is interested you can go to youtube and see some of my videos filmed at the dome and at the field. Just search under astrorcgy to find my videos.

I hope to see you all at the meeting and please bring along your new show and tell winter projects.

Steve Tarney,  
President Astrowings of Wisconsin

## Astrowings Field Hours

### Fuel Planes

Mon-Fri 10AM-Dusk

Sat-Sun 10AM-5PM

### Electrics

All week 8AM-Dusk

Pilots must sign in and out of the flight log for each flying session

During summer months grass cutting is done every Friday morning and no flying is permitted during this time.

## Astrowings Flight Instructors

### Airplanes Only

#### Cedarburg:

Gary Keup 262-375-4831

Fox Point:

Steve Tarney 414-351-5015

#### Glendale:

Sky Sessions 414-810-6812

#### Milwaukee:

Jim Hendrickson 414-358-9501

#### Oostburg:

Aaron Cochran 414-365-1571

#### Port Washington:

Ben Baumann 262-244-6241

John Collins 262-268-0859

Matt Komro 414-378-2022

### Helicopters Only

Dave Feldman 906-286-1139

Jason O'Connell 414-698-1540

## January Meeting Highlights

### President's Welcome

The Astrowings membership meeting of 01/16/2012 was called to order at 7:30 pm by President Steve Tarney. 15 members were present.

### Field Condition

Snow covered, but good.

### Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report was read and approved.

### Old Business

Steve thanked members, Roger Zaun, Tony D'alessio and Jim Hendrickson, for helping at the Waukesha sale of Dan Arhelger's airplanes and equipment. Everything was sold. A substantial amount of money was raised.

Solving the noise situation is still in the works.

### New Business

Steve announced his intention to propose a \$15 raise in dues to \$50 for regular membership. See *the official notice further on in the newsletter*.

Sky Sessions gave a short presentation in his role as former treasurer detailing month to month expenses illustrating the need to raise dues to bring AstroWings in line with other area clubs.

It was decided that a vote will be taken at the February meeting to approve or disapprove raising dues.

Jeff Thompson presented the AMA TAG (take-off And Grow) program. AMA gives grants

to clubs who participate. The program provides grants to clubs to introduce flying to young people. The long term goal is to encourage them to enter the aerospace field. Jeff will head up writing a grant proposal.

### Show and Tell



Jeff Thompson modestly showed his new Sundowner bought from Dan Arhelger's estate. It has an OS6-3500 engine, snazzy wings and is expertly piloted by Daffy Duck.

## January Meeting Highlights Continued

### Show and Tell



**Sky Sessions** brought two electric heli's to show. A Compass Atom 500 and a Compass 6hv to finally put an end to the "is 6hv really more than 500?" debate.

**Jason O'connell** showed his Compass Atom 7hv in progress. It has 700 mm blades and will be flybarless. When finished will have an Atom or Scorpion motor requiring 2 - 6 cell 5000 MAH Lipo Battery packs. Until then the fuse doubles as a party hat.

### And The Raffle Winners Are



**Silver Spring Hobby** sponsor

**Mark Koerner** wins a Parkzone F4U Corsair while club president Steve Tarney attempts the old "heli haircut trick".

**Mike Thurner** (a double winner) holds precious his new plane stand and transmitter.



**Raffle Winners**

**Sky Sessions** a screw driver set in a handy flexible case that can be clipped to a belt or small animal.

**Jesse Mosca** is obviously overjoyed at the coolness and functionality of the toolset that he won.



**Jack Spooner** shows off his double wins: brushes and the ubiquitous Deans Connectors.

**At The Field and Dome**



Warm weather and little snow contributes to great winter flying at the field. It also makes the dome a bit more comfortable as Jim demonstrates.



Videos of indoor flying at the Currie Park Dome can be found at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1nUI9jcHOJo>

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## Here Ye, Here Ye, Here Ye:

**Let it be known** this is your official notice of the upcoming changes to the bylaws of the Astrowings of Wisconsin to be voted upon at our next meeting which is Monday, Feb. 20.

Dues will be for an email membership \$50 per year. For post office mailed newsletter \$60 per year. New members will pay \$100 - \$50 initiation and \$50 membership. Junior membership will remain at \$5 (under 18 years of age). The new family membership dues schedule will be the main member \$50, spouse \$5, each child (up to 19 years old) \$5.)



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## Make Your Own Prop Saver O-rings

Are you tired of having to pay \$.50 - \$1.00 each at the local hardware store for prop saver 'O' Rings to use on your foamy? Here's an inexpensive way to get all the rubber rings you'll ever want or need. Go to your nearest Pharmaceutical supply house and purchase a foot or two of 5/8" or 3/4" outside diameter (get some of both sizes) surgical tubing for about \$1.00 - \$2.00 a foot. They might even GIVE you a short piece if they one lying around.

At home, you can cut as many as you want or need - you can

make some thicker than others to vary the tension.

There are several ways to cut them. A single edge razor blade or X-Acto knife

works very well. A tiny dab of Vaseline with a "Q"-tip on the edge(s) will help prevent too much drag and makes the cuts quick and clean.

