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President's Corner

By Rick Thompson

The 2022 flying season is well underway and I think most everyone would rate it a raving success so far. This year's SPA contest (May 21-22) and CubFest (June 11) were both very successful and a lot of fun for participants and spectators alike. Additionally, Kevin and Evan Turner's group had a drone racing event at KCR C on June 25th which was definitely exciting to watch. Thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make these events happen. There is still a fun-fly event planned on or around July 30th so be sure to mark your calendar and participate.

I invite everyone to take a look at the runway the next time you're at the field. It looks like new and is probably in the best shape it's been in years! The work party of June 4th I mentioned in the last newsletter did happen. So now the runway has a fresh coat of sealer on top of the crack-fill material that was applied earlier in the year. Additionally, it has a fresh new striping job. I know I sound like a broken record thanking Bill Dodge for his leadership on this, but if not for him this would have never gotten done. I was going to try and name everyone who came out to help but inevitably I'd forget someone so I'll just let the photos speak for themselves. The weather was perfect and in spite of the challenging work, the jokesters in the group actually injected enough

humor to make it a fun day. Thanks to everyone who came out to help.



There was no club meeting in June. We're going to try something different for the July meeting. Rather than having it on the second Tuesday of the month, we're planning on doing a 10 a.m. Saturday morning meeting on July 9th. We're also planning to do a club-sponsored lunch cookout for all members after the meeting. So come fly,

participate in the meeting, and have lunch all in one trip.

I want to do one more recognition before wrapping up this month's column. Everyone has undoubtedly noticed the polished and professional look of the KCRC newsletters. That's because they are in fact being done by a computer professional – Jeff Prosis. Jeff has an extremely busy schedule, travels all over the world on a regular basis related to his work, and of course has family obligations, yet he finds time to create this outstanding newsletter each month and has been doing so for more than a year. Thanks Jeff!

See y'all at the field!

CubFest

KCRC's annual CubFest took place on June 11th. Special thanks to Jimmy Russell, Brandon Drummer, Phil Spelt, Warren Oliver, and everyone else who helped make the event a smashing success.



Did You Know?

The J-3 Piper Cub is one of America's most venerable aircraft. From 1937 to 1947, almost 20,000 J-3 Cubs were produced. Of those, about 5,500 are still airworthy. The Cub is distinguished by its simple, lightweight design, great low-speed handling properties, and short-field performance.

A military version of the Cub called the L-4 and nicknamed the "Grasshopper" saw action in all theaters of WWII as well as in the Korean War. Its duties included directing artillery fire, pilot training, and glider pilot instruction. It also served as a front-line liaison and was used to evacuate injured soldiers from the battlefield.