

**NEXT MEETING**

**Wednesday, Apr. 3, 2019**  
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# The RAMS Horn

**New Product Announcement**

## Spektrum DX99 with Alexa

What's new from Horizon Hobby today? Our friends at HH have joined forces with the engineers at Amazon to bring us the first ever transmitter with voice activated commands through Alexa. Give your thumbs a rest by speaking to your transmitter and saying "Alexa, bank left". Some other useful commands will be "Alexa, land" or "Alexa, get the plane out of that tree". Taking advantage of voice commands, there no longer needs to be a switch or dial for each channel. Therefore, this transmitter is almost channel unlimited, except only two digits would fit on the box. More details coming soon!



April Fools!

(I was going to write about RC hot air balloons, but they actually exist!)

## AROUND THE AREA

## Upcoming Events

04/05—04/07/2019

**The Toledo Show**

R/C Model Show &amp; Swap Shop

Toledo, OH

[www.toledoshow.com](http://www.toledoshow.com)

04/13/2019, 8 AM - 12 PM

All R/C Swap Meet

Kettles Area Flyers

Sheboygan County Airport

Sheboygan Falls, WI

[www.sharksrc.com](http://www.sharksrc.com)

04/20/2019, 8 AM - 12 PM

Swap 'til You Drop

Suburban RC Barnstormers

DuPage County Fairgrounds

Wheaton, IL

[suburbanrcbarnstormers.com](http://suburbanrcbarnstormers.com)

04/27/2019, 8:30 AM - 2:30 PM

25th Annual Swap Shop

**Rock Valley RC Flyers**

Winnebago County Fairgrounds

Pecatonica, IL

[www.rockvalleyrcflyers.com](http://www.rockvalleyrcflyers.com)

## Monthly Recap

## March in Review

A tease of spring is in the air. All of our snow has melted at the field and there is some water on the West side. As of 3/28, the non-standing water areas are drying out. The field is usable, but beware: there is goose fertilizer everywhere.



**Todd Schmitt** pulls off a hat trick or 3-peat bringing his Top Flite P-47 three months in a row to show us his incredible progress. If you have ever brought in a model to the meeting room, you know it's not the easiest thing to do. So, we certainly appreciate Todd's efforts. And we must say that his paint job looks great! P-47's stationed at forward air bases in the UK got an in-field camo or solid green paint job so the aircraft would be harder to see on the ground by the German airmen.



As cabin fever sets in after a long winter, I decided to take a trip to Kalamazoo, MI, where there is one of the 10 best aviation museums in the country as rated by the EAA: The Air Zoo. The name surprisingly came from having so many Grumman "Cat" airplanes such as the Wildcat and Hellcat. I most enjoyed the story behind the SBD Dauntless, which was recovered from Lake Michigan after a failed carrier landing practice attempt and restored onsite over a nine year period. More pictures at <https://www.flickr.com/photos/ramsceditor/albums/72157690687106203>

