

SPRINGTIME – BIRD SEASON

The birds are very active. Make sure you check for bird's nests during your pre-flight (also for pieces of foam we use to discourage the birds from entering). This may require you to get down on your back to do a proper job. If you find birds have started to make a home in one of our planes, remember that the nest material is flammable and must be removed before flight. This *may* require a mechanic to remove the cowl. If no mechanic is available, you should report it to Bill or another Board member and plan to fly another day.

When you are done flying be sure to “plug up” all the openings around the engine and tail section with foam. Again, this may require you to get on the ground to do a proper job around the engine. There is extra foam in the shed if you need it. We have some large “blocks” of foam that may be cut using a hacksaw blade also located in the shed. There are also some lighter sheets that can be cut with scissors. You may have to be “creative” to fill some of the places. **Remember, “I didn't have time” is not an excuse. We have an obligation to each other to help keep these planes flying.**

The good news is that the birds stop building around the middle of June.

Bill

PS: The foam works most of the time but if you have a better method, go at it!