

# Michelle's Comments

## Guillow's Airplanes can create hours of fun

In early 1998, Guillow purchased long time competitor Comet Industries/North Pacific of Chicago. This purchase transformed Paul K. Guillow, Inc. into one of the worlds largest toy airplane manufacturers and created one of the most complete lines of flying toys available, as seen in the pages of this web site.

Paul Guillow's dream still lives on in the company today as we continue to strive to keep young and old happily building and flying toy and hobby airplanes models. For the past 85 years nearly every American boy, girl and young at heart have enjoyed the inexpensive balsa wood gliders of the Paul K. Guillow Company. Sunny afternoons flying Guillow gliders have created fond memories and helped imaginations soar.



In the past 85 years we have gone from "one mans dream" to a leader in the toy industry! With our continued growth we now have state of the art machinery and facilities to produce millions of planes a year !!



Guillow's toy airplanes haven't changed much since dad and granddad were kids. Even their prices start at an amazing \$1.79 -- giving the sense of the good-ole-days. For 88 years Guillow's has sparked wonder in childhood. Today's kids may adore their electronics and software and big-screen games, but hand them a \$3 airplane kit and watch! They will discover the joy of being outside and flying a toy plane they constructed with their own hands. Foam Kits include the **Sky Raider** (\$6.99) and **Delta Dart** (\$3.99). The airplane model company is known for its Balsa Gliders and suggests four models for beginners including **Jetstream** (\$3.59), **Eagle** (\$1.79) and **Sky Streak** (\$3.09).

Guillow's wide range of build-it-yourself kits are sold at hobby shops and online at popular sites like amazon.com. Ideal for an afternoon with Dad or the next-door-neighbor's kid. Best of all, all of these gliders are easy to assemble, with an estimated assembly time of 5 minutes.

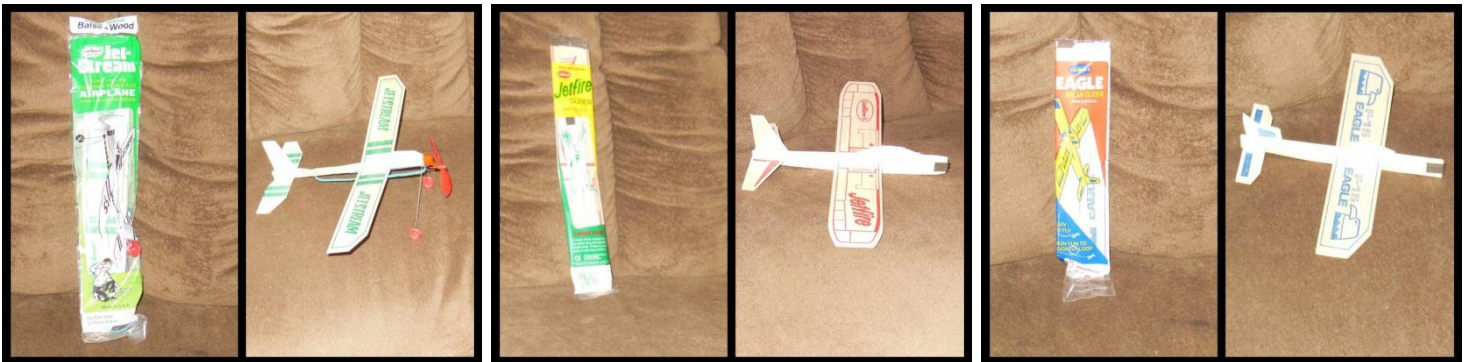
[Sky Raider](#): This is our best selling foam glider. With a large 24" wing span this plane can be thrown by a strong baseball arm for large looping flights or gently tossed for a long floating glide.

**Space Shuttle:** Our high performance Space Shuttle glider can be catapult launched with the enclosed large elastic and launch handle. Realistic shuttle decals are included in each pegable poly bag.

**Delta Dart Glider:** The original one piece foam glider molded of EPS foam plastic. Light weight and impervious to moisture, it holds its aerodynamic shape even after hours of flying fun. Packaged two in a poly bag.

**Sky Streak:** A long time best selling motorplane. This toy airplane has a one piece wing with a built-in dihedral. The propeller and nose bearing made of hi-impact plastic.

**Jet Stream:** A 13 1/4" wing span motorplane that flies hand launches or right off the ground. Colorfully printed wing, canopy, and tail surfaces. Formed wire landing gear, plastic propeller and nose bearing. Ideal contest flyer.



**Jetfire Glider:** A high performance flyer with the style of a jet fighter. Large 12" wing span with a built in dihedral. Colorful style prints on the wing, tail surfaces and canopy.

**Eagle Balsa Glider:** New "air-superiority" flyer. Has a printed wing, tail surfaces and canopy. Individually packaged in a poly bag.

Now, I sat down with my niece's and nephews to build these planes. We all had a blast taking them into the back yard and seeing who's could fly the farthest. The only thing is you have to be sure not to put too much pressure on the wings when installing or you can snap them. We ran into that issue with one of the foam planes. But, with that aside, the kids had a blast with the planes racing them!

If you want a great airplane or to even design your own then check out Guillow's [online](#) and on these social media channels:

- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Paul-K-Guillow-Inc/283275531826393>