



Vol. 27

Issue 06

June 04, 2017

Ron Ernhardt, President
Dick Lehmann, Treas.
Rich Eastwood

Bill Becker, Vice Pres.
John Vehlow
Don Paquette

John Gosz, Sec.
John Schieffer
Eugene Fehlhaber

Wausau R/C Sportsmen website - www.wausaurcsportsmen.org

MEETING NOTICE

June 13, 2017

6:00 PM

Sunnyvale RC Park

Coming Events

- Jun 13, 2017 Monthly Meeting at Sunnyvale RC Park
6:00PM**
- Jun 15, 2017 Flying at 8:00 to Dusk resumes through
3/31/18**
- Jun 17, 2017 Breakfast at Sunnyvale RC Park 8:00AM**
- July 08, 2017 Tentative date for Wausau Balloon Rally
8:00 AM**
- July 11, 2017 Monthly meeting at Sunnyvale RC park
6:00PM**
- July 16, 2017 Family Picnic at Sunnyvale RC Park
3:00PM**
- Aug. 07, 2017 Integrated training of new pilots &
Members flying Mondays
In August. 6:00PM**
- Aug. 08, 2017 Monthly meeting at Sunnyvale RC Park.
6:00 PM**
- Sept. 12, 2017 Monthly meeting at Wausau Municipal
Airport. 7:00PM**





Letter from the President

Its finally June and hopefully the rain will let up and we will have some good flying weather. With all the rain we have had, the field is very green and growing like weeds. The mowing crew is doing a good job trying to keep up with the grass.

As you all know by now, the FAA registration ruling was struck down by the court system. You may not want to remove any FAA registration numbers from your airplanes yet because we all know that this could change over night. Lets just hope that the courts keep siding with the RC hobbyist.

Our annual "BREAKFAST AT THE FIELD" will be held on June 17th starting at 8 A.M. Again Russ Putnam has volunteered to handle the cooking duties. Russ has always done a good job in the past and i'm sure that this year will be a repeat. This has never been canceled due to weather and won't be this year. If the weather is good, bring an airplane and get some flying in after breakfast, if it isn't, just bring an appetite.

If you have been keeping an eye on the Event Section in the back of Model Aviation, there are a lot of fly-ins coming up. I know that many of these are a long distance away but if you are planning to be in the area, think about stopping and letting someone there know you are from Wausau. Even if you don't fly at the event, its good to have a presence there and hopefully they will reciprocate at our events.

If you were at the May meeting, you know that AMA awarded our club with a Flying Site Development Grant. The forms for this were submitted to AMA to help to hopefully help off set the expenses we had to buy a mower and build a shed to store it in. The amount we received helps decrease the amount of time for us to break even. Many thanks to AMA and Tim Jesky (our District 7 Vice President) who helped us obtain this grant.

Training Night- John Gosz held a pre-run for our training night on May 22nd. It seems that everything is ready to go at this time. Our official training nights will begin on June 5th starting at 5 P.M. This is being held in conjunction with our Tune-Up Clinic. I hope we have a good turnout for this and you may want to bring some tools along if needed. Lets hope to see a lot of students this year.

For our new members and a reminder to others, our club meetings for June, July and August will be held at the field starting at 6 P.M. We will not have How To Do It sessions after these meetings so our members can get some flying in afterwards.

This was mentioned in the past and I will repeat that if you are at the field and it has rained that night or so before, please keep an eye on the access road. It doesn't take long for the water level to rise a couple of feet. Depending on the amount of rain. You may have to swim out of the flying field and retrieve your vehicle the next day if possible. Also if you can't see the road when you get to the field because of high water, DON'T attempt to drive across. You may end up with a scenic trip down the river.

I think that enough for now and I will try to keep the time for the summer meetings to a minimum so you can get some flying in.

Remember: The Sky Is Your Friend!

Ron

WAUSAU R/C SPORTSMEN CLUB INC.

Meeting Minutes

May 09, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Ron Ernhardt at 7:00pm at the Wausau Municipal Airport. The meeting began with a round of introductions. There were 19 members present.

Minutes: The complete April minutes were included in May Flypaper edition. Bob Weller made a motion to omit the reading of last month's minutes with the exception of the financial report and approve as prepared. The motion seconded by Rich Eastwood.

Financial Report: Please contact Dick for detailed financial report.

There are 46 paid members at the end of the month

Drone Day Recap: Six critique forms were returned by the participants from the Drone Day event. All the guests commented on the field being a great place to fly.

Some of the improvements needed are:

- Better Frequency Management
- Designated Charging Station
- Food Availability
- More Drone Racing Events

The club recognized that frequency management for FPV flying was lacking and will be addressed. Bob Weller offered to research this issue through the AMA and come up with some solutions for the next event.

Having a designated charging station is a good idea from a safety standpoint.

Having food available and more drone events is something that will be discussed for next year, along with, when this event should be held.

There was also discussion on having drone events more often, possibly including them at summer Fun Fly.

Field Setup: There wasn't a heavy amount of work this spring for field setup. Dave Jaecks reported the work went smoothly.

Road Shoulder Repair: Ron is working with 3M to acquire free rock for filling in the washed out portion of the access road south of the cable gate. The club allocated \$500 toward the project, but could save \$300 if 3M donates the rock.

Field Rolling: The field was rolled last week by Joe Osimitz using the club's roller. He made one pass east to west and one north to south. He plans on rolling one more time, preferably after a heavy rain.

Thank you, Joe.

Tire Ruts: During the mid winter and spring thaws several tire deep ruts were made in the east end of the parking area.

Bob offered the use of a four wheeler and wagon to transport the pile of top soil at the west end of the field to fill the ruts. Several members volunteered to help. The work is scheduled for Wednesday, May 17th around 10:00am.

Weed Killer: There was discussion on whether or not to apply weed killer to prevent further proliferation of dandelions. No weed killer has been applied in the last three years. Several types of applications were discussed at a cost of between \$300 to \$400. Most of the members felt applying weed killer is not necessary, but no decision was made.

Training Day Dry Run: A walk through and equipment inventory will be held on Monday, May 22 at 6:00pm. The rain day will be Tuesday, May 30th. We want to make sure all planes are in good flying condition and the gear is in working order.

Please contact John Gosz if you'd like to be on the ground crew during the summer season. All members are invited to come out and watch. There will be open flying after 8:00.

Review Wausau on the Water & Wausau Soup: At the request of the Wausau Young Professionals the club presented static display of airplanes and helis at the Wausau on the Water, Young Professionals week, as a way of promoting the club to young people, not familiar with the Wausau area. Literature on the club, the intro pilot program and the AMA was passed out to those who stopped by. The flight simulator was a big hit. A similar display was setup at the Wausau Soup event. This was a fund raiser event for new start up entrepreneurs. However this event didn't attract as much attention for the club. The airplanes were displayed in one room and the literature in another.

Safety: Safety Officer Parker reminded everyone that tick season is in full swing. One way to prevent ticks is to pull socks over pants legs when going out in the tall grass to retrieve a plane. Ticks have been found not only to carry Lyme disease but also borrelia miyamotoi.

Also AMA has a new web site, knowbeforeyoufly.org, that lists the location and information on all AMA RC flying sites in the country.

Good of the Club: Any public or private airport, helipads, sea ports are considered airports and must be contacted if you plan on flying within the five mile limit. Ron has already contacted Asprius helipad to inform them about the field.

River Valley Flyers of Wisconsin Rapids, are having their Fun Fly on June 10th.

AMA awarded \$513.44 to the club as a grant recipient of its flying site improvement program. The money goes toward the construction of the shed and riding mower. The club will need to send a letter of completion to AMA.

Show and Tell: Russ Putnam presented his method of leveling flying surfaces by using two sliding wedges and bubble levels to insure surfaces are assembled properly.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:02 on a motion by Don Paquette and seconded by Doug Rowley.

John Gosz
WRCS Secretary

FOR SALE

Hobby Lobby Telemaster 40 NEW!! Ready to fly just install receiver and battery 4 Stroke Engine available as separate item Price Negotiable

Call Dennis Lewandowski at 715-842-7486

Academy of Model Aeronautics

5161 East Memorial Drive
Muncie, Indiana 47302
(765) 287-1256 – Business
(765) 289-4248 – Fax
(800) 435-9262 – Membership Services
<http://www.modelaircraft.org>



May 3, 2017

Dear Wausau RC Sportsmen Club:

Congratulations on receiving a 2017 flying site grant. It's wonderful to see all the clubs within my district working so hard to make their flying fields pristine.

Great job and keep up the good work!

Sincerely,

Tim Jesky

To view this email as a web page, go [here](#).

You're receiving this email because of your affiliation with the Academy of Model Aeronautics.

Academy of Model Aeronautics Member Communication



Friday, May 19, 2017

Dear members,

As you've probably heard by now, a federal appeals court today struck down the FAA's registration requirement for recreational model aircraft.

Today's Court ruling is effective immediately. As such, if you have not registered with the FAA, you are no longer required under the law to do so. For those of you who have already registered with the FAA, you may be wondering what this means for you. We are currently working to obtain answers from the FAA and will share more information as it becomes available.

Please keep in mind that this is a fluid situation and there is always the possibility of a renewed push in Congress to compel federal registration for model aircraft. If that happens, rest assured that AMA will continue to advocate for your interests and keep you well informed every step of the way. We have repeatedly argued that federal registration for our community is duplicative and unnecessary, as our members already register their model aircraft with AMA. In addition, our 80-year history of safe and responsible flying demonstrates that we're not the problem. We shouldn't be burdened by overly broad regulations.

Today's ruling also bodes well for our pending court challenge to the FAA's interpretation of the Special Rule for Model Aircraft (also known as the Interpretative Rule). That petition, which AMA filed in 2014, is currently before the same Court that today rejected the FAA's registration rule and affirmed the strength of the Special Rule for Model Aircraft, otherwise known as Section 336. This gives us hope for our continued fight against the Interpretive Rule.

We understand that these policy and legal developments are sometimes dizzying and complicated, and they are rarely resolved quickly. We're nearly three years into our challenge to the Interpretive Rule, for example. We truly appreciate your sticking with us while we press on in the fight to protect your right to fly, free from unnecessary and burdensome restrictions.

Sincerely,
AMA Government Affairs



Fly Paper

Rich Eastwood
8609 White Pine Ct.
Wausau, WI 54403



ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

