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### MEETING NOTICE

October 13, 2015

7:00 PM

Wausau Municipal Airport

### Coming Events

**Oct. 13, 2015 Monthly Meeting at Wausau  
Municipal Airport  
7:00 PM**

**Oct. 13, 2015 By-Law and Rule changes presented  
Board of Directors Nominations**

**Oct. 24, 2015 Field Tear Down – 9:00 AM**

**Oct. 24, 2015 Set-up swap and auction tables at  
St. Matthews/Faith Formation  
School-9:00 AM**

**Oct. 25, 2015 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Swap and Auction  
At St. Matthew/Faith Formation  
School – 8:00 AM**

**Nov. 10 2015 Monthly Meeting at Wausau  
Municipal Airport  
7:00 PM**

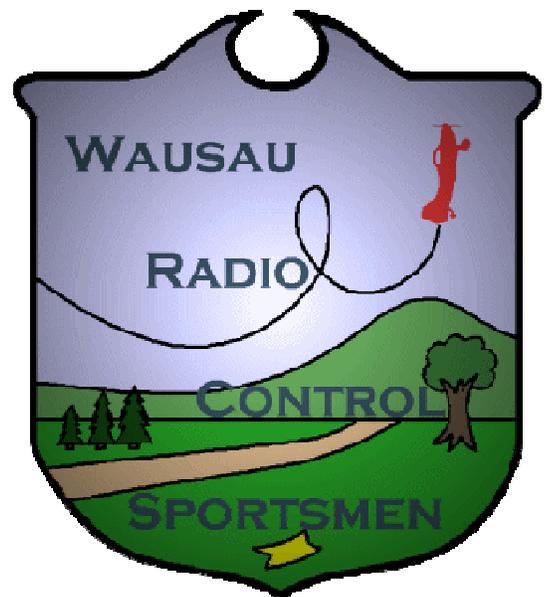
**Nov. 10, 2015 Annual Corporate Meeting at  
Wausau Municipal Airport**

**Nov. 10, 2015 Board of Directors Election-Member  
Of The Year Selection-Wausau  
Municipal Airport**

**Nov. 21, 2015 Set up Festival of Trees~Hospice Project~Stoney Creek**

**Nov. 29, 2015 Take down Festival of Trees~Hospice Project~Stoney Creek**

**Dec. 08, 2015 Monthly Meeting at Wausau Municipal Airport**





## **Letter From the President**

Even though it is fall and the flying season is winding down some, there is still a lot of activity happening within the club. In a few weeks we will have field tear down and setup for the swap meet and then the Swap Meet on Sunday. Signup sheets will be at the October meeting to help organize and coordinate the people for each event. We will do the same as last year and have a crew at the field and another crew at the school, this worked very well to get things done in a timely manner. We are also looking for people to help out the day of the Swap Meet, we need help with signs, raffle table, food stands, security and others. We have a great set of raffle prizes put together so we look forward to a successful event.

We are always looking for items to go on the club table so check out your supplies and see if anything can be donated for the cause. The club table has been a big money maker in the past. This year there are no estate items so the pickings will be less.

November is our Annual Corporate meeting and Board of Director elections, every year the 3 year term for 3 members expire. At this time that member has the option to run again or resign from the board. This year the three members that have terms expiring are Rich Eastwood, John Gosz, and Dick Lehmann. Joining the board is a good way to help out in the management affairs of the club and is very rewarding. The board has to have an uneven number of members to avoid any tie votes. We typically have a nine member board. Ron Ernhardt and Parker Merrill are the nominating committee, so if anyone is interested in running please contact one of them.

In November the Festival of Trees will be happening again and we are looking for volunteers to help set up and teardown. Setup will happen on Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 AM and teardown will be on Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM. More details in this issue of the Flypaper. This is always a nice time to get together in a different and festive atmosphere.

See you at the meeting

Louie

*Louie*

# WAUSAU R/C SPORTSMEN CLUB INC.

September 8, 2015

**Minutes** The meeting was called to order by President Louie Stark at the Wausau Municipal Airport at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was started with a round of introductions. There were thirteen members present.

The minutes from the August 4<sup>th</sup> meeting were read by Ron Ernhardt in the absence of Secretary John Gosz and approved on a motion by Parker Merrill and seconded by Bob Weller.

**Completed Events/Programs:** The Fun Fly was compared to the event from last year. The attendance was down, possibly due to the Fair that was competing with our event. This will not happen next year. Dennis mentioned that attendance was down at fun fly events across the state, and that this may be a trend. There was continued discussion on this topic and what changes or ideas can be done for next year to make the event more interesting to the public and how to better promote the event. Perhaps adding drone racing or other events that are more entertaining should be added to the day's venue.

Bob mentioned that the media publicity for the event was poor and that a strategy needs to be developed to increase the club's public relations and media coverage. One simple idea discussed is adding wording to the road signs to make them more clear to the general public. However with added promotion and public relations, it was discussed that the day needs to have a venue that will be well received by the public.

There were some food items left over which will be used for the swap meet and these some expenses incurred for the food can be transferred toward the Swap Meet expenses.

Louie read a thank you message from the Jack Richie family in appreciation for the memorial ceremony.

The club members gave congratulations to John and Andrew on soloing. A set of wings was awarded to both.

## **Field winterizing & Swap meet:**

Louie passed a sheet around asking for volunteers to help with the winterizing of the field and swap meets set up on Saturday Oct. 24. The winterizing typically only takes less than two hours, depending on the number of volunteer. Also volunteers are needed for the day of the swap meet. The swap meet won't conflict that Sunday with a Packer game.

## **Upcoming Events: Swap Meet:**

Several vendors have expressed in coming to the swap meet including Balsa USA, Bad Brad, and Big Sky Hobbies. Ron suggested that members look through their items and if there's anything they don't want or need to put into a box and donate to the club table.

John Vehlow will be chairing the food committee. Ron volunteered to work with John to round up volunteers for servers. A selection of donuts, sloppy Joes, hotdogs, chili dogs, coffee and soda will be available.

Further details will be discussed at the next meeting. Dennis mentioned there should be plenty of tables available. He also mentioned that the hall rental went from \$180 to \$225. There was discussion on whether or not to raise the admission price to the event to cover the increase. The majority agreed to leave the price at \$5.00

Bob mentioned he has the raffle hardware. Bob also mentioned that the swap meet event flyer be sent out to the club's in the area. *Secretary's note: the swap meet flyer was emailed on Sept. 16th. to those AMA's club contacts that are within a 175 mile radius.*

### **Open Discussion:**

Don Paquet will not be doing snow plowing this winter. The club thanked Don for the great job he's done these past years. If club member knows of anyone who does plowing at a reasonable rate to let a board member know.

**Safety Tips:** due to the heavy rains, Safety Officer Ron advised members to take care when driving to the field, as recent rains washed out a patch of access road just north of the culvert. Bob offered to call and have the area restored.

Bob also advised to clip the turnstile to the post prior to entering to avoid the bar swinging back and colliding with your vehicle.

There were no product and airplane reviews.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Rich Eastwood and seconded by Ron Erhardt.

Respectfully Submitted 09-29-2015

John Gosz  
WRSC Secretary

## AMA's Response to the FAA's Drone Sighting Report

Dear Members,

As many of you are aware, there has been a marked increase in sensational media reports of drones allegedly flying too close to manned aircraft. The alarm this has caused was compounded by the FAA's August 12 press release, "[Pilot Reports of Close Calls with Drones Soar in 2015.](#)"

In order to better understand what's actually occurring, and what role AMA could play to advance safe flying, our organization closely analyzed each of the 764 records in the FAA's dataset. AMA's analysis, "[A Closer Look at the FAA's Drone Data.](#)" reveals a more complex picture of the unmanned aircraft systems (UAS/drone) activity in the United States than the initial headlines would suggest. From military crashes to a UFO sighting, only a fraction of the reports were legitimately reported "close calls" or "near misses." You may have already seen the report in this morning's USA Today ("[Drone hobbyists find flaws in "close call" reports to FAA from other aircraft](#)") or on VICE News ("[Drones are the new UFOs](#)").

While AMA works closely with the FAA, and we continue to consider the agency a partner in promoting model aircraft and consumer drone safety, our report concludes that the FAA could have done a better job of presenting their data in a more factually accurate manner. By using misleading language in its press release, releasing only preliminary reports and not critically analyzing those reports, the FAA's report only served, at best, to paint a cloudy and less than accurate picture and raises concerns that simply may not be realistic.

Today, AMA distributed a [press release](#) to the media with its findings. Additionally, AMA sent a letter to U.S. Department of Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx and the FAA Administrator Michael Huerta. AMA also sent a letter to members of Congress.

As you read through the report, please feel free to [contact us](#) should you have any questions. Also, please make sure to share this report on your Twitter, Facebook and any other social channels.

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## R/C SWAP MEET & AUCTION

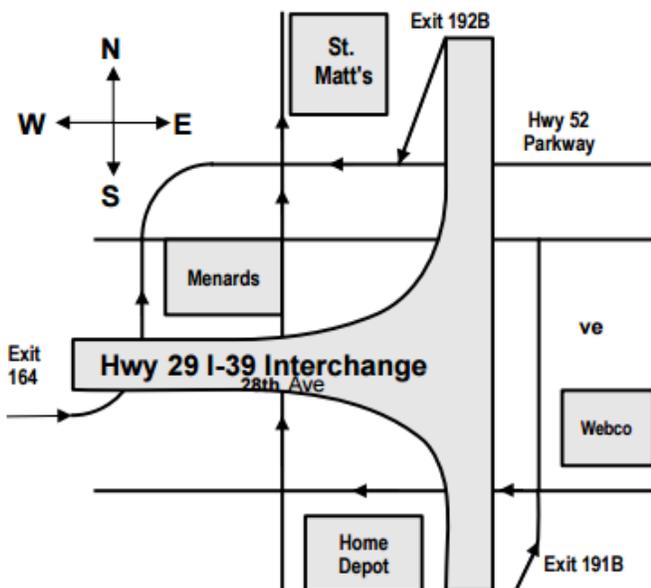
# SUNDAY, OCT. 25, 2015

St. Matthews/Faith Academy, 28<sup>TH</sup> AVE. ~ WAUSAU, WI

**DOORS WILL OPEN AT 8:00 AM**

SWAP 8:00 to NOON ~ AUCTION 9 to 11:45 AM ~ RAFFLE AT 11:45 AM

St. Matthew's/Faith Academy is located at  
228 South 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue



**DOORS OPEN AT 8:00 AM**

ADMISSION - \$5.00 (12 & under FREE)

**50+ TABLES  
AVAILABLE  
(NO CHARGE)**

**RAFFLE PRIZES  
(DRAWING AT 11:45 AM)**

**- LUNCH -  
Coffee ~ Donuts ~ Pop  
Hot Sandwiches**

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# **WAUSAU R/C SPORTSMEN INC.**

## **CLUB RULES - EFFECTIVE DATE – 11/12/2013**

**The following rules are in addition to the AMA Safety Code**

1. Flying hours are from 10 AM to dusk April 1 - June 15<sup>th</sup> and from 8 AM to dusk June 16<sup>th</sup> to March 31.
2. No children or other spectators shall be allowed in the pit area or on the runway unless under the direct supervision of a current club member.
3. There shall be no smoking on the flight line or in the pit area.
4. The frequency board shall be used at all times. Members will place their AMA card in the slot next to the frequency they are using. Transmitters will not be turned on until the frequency pin is obtained. The flying member must retain the pin until the transmitter is turned off.
5. Twenty minutes shall be the maximum time for operation under the particular model's frequency pin.
6. There shall be no more than four models in the air at one time except during announced combat flights. Pilots should stay in the numbered flight station while flying.
7. Engine testing or lengthy run up should be done as far away from the pit area as possible.
8. A minimum altitude of 30 feet shall be maintained while over the runway unless on takeoff or landing.
9. All gas spark ignition engines shall be equipped with an on/off ignition switch. Pilots must have a usable fire extinguisher at the site while testing or flying these aircraft.
10. No pilot shall in any way pursue birds or animals.
11. Any landing aircraft has field priority. Pilots should announce their landing intentions to other pilots.
12. Any and all infractions of the safety code and club rules shall be reported to the member who is apparently engaged in any infraction. Contact the club safety officer or president of any continued infraction or unsatisfactory correction of the infraction.
13. There shall be no flying north of the north line of the runway, extended east and west, or over Sunnyvale Lake.
14. All engines shall not exceed noise levels of an average of 96 db at 20 feet based on four quadrant tests performed at the same maximum RPM setting. Testing shall be the modeler's responsibility to comply with the Club standards.
15. Cell phones are to be turned off at all times in the pit area and on the flight line. The use of cell phones is permitted anywhere north of the spectator fence.
16. Motors (fuel or electric) are not to be started north of the spectator fence. All aircraft must be restrained before motors are started. Electric model are not to have the battery connected to the motor north of the spectator fence unless the prop has been removed prior to battery connection if it is necessary to check motor direction or rotation or servo operation.
17. Any person involved in an accident or incident at Sunnyvale R/C Park must abide by the accident/incident reporting policy posted at the site.

# *Festival of Trees*

The warm relaxing breezes of summer are quickly giving way to the chill of fall. Soon we will feel winter nipping at our noses and then snow filled days. Those things happen every year just like field take down, the swap meet and raffle, and Festival of Trees. That's right; it is time to start thinking about the annual ***Festival of Trees to benefit Aspirus Comfort Care and Hospice.***

The holidays are always a busy and joyful time of year for families and friends. They are also a time to think about helping others and remembering those who may be in need of help. *Aspirus Comfort Care and Hospice* provides quality end of life care for people in our community. For anyone not familiar with Hospice they not only provide quality end of life care for their patients they provide services for their family members too. The festival is the only fund raiser that hospice does throughout the year to help benefit people in need of their invaluable services.



**Be prepared to dazzle and be dazzled at Festival of Trees 2015!** The Festival of Trees provides many great activities for families to enjoy together while helping out this great cause. From the opening night Gala, with music and the first viewing of the trees, to the Teddy Bear Breakfast with a visit from Santa and Mrs. Clause the Festival always provides many great memories. Festival staff and its volunteers create a Wow Factor for all who attend. From the smallest details to Bruce the Spruce (a talking tree) many families make this event an annual Thanksgiving tradition. You can check out all the activities online at <http://www.aspirus.org/festivalOfTrees>

The Wausau R/C Flyers have always been a tremendous help to the Festival and I hope that we can be counted on again to provide assistance with set-up and take down. Setup will be on November 21<sup>st</sup> starting at 10:00 a.m. at the ***Stoney Creek Inn*** at Cedar Creek. We will be assembling the trees and testing the lights. Please bring a drill motor and a ¼ inch nut driver to assemble the trees. If you do not have one, we will have one on hand. We will also need people to test the lights. Take down will start November 29<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

To make the Festival of Trees the annual tradition that it has always been we need volunteers throughout the week. I will have signup sheets at the November meeting or to volunteer contact me at [bmwjbecker@msn.com](mailto:bmwjbecker@msn.com) or call (715 355-8621).

Thank you for your time and talent in helping with The Festival of Trees.

Bill Becker  
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