



NEWS AT THE TOP

February, 2015

Editor's message:

A member of our club writes:

I have a roll of 3/4 ounce fiberglass cloth. My idea is to sell it through the club with all proceeds going to the club. I was thinking of charging \$2/yard. Maximum purchase would be 3 yards per member – for now. As I don't get to all meetings, could you place this in the newsletter with my name and telephone number?

Paul Sutphen (973) 948-6239

phsutphen@earthlink.net

Thank you, Paul

DOT/FAA Announce proposed rule for sUAS

Sunday, February 15 - The Department of Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx and FAA Administrator Michael Huerta announced FAA's long-awaited proposed regulation for the operation of commercial small unmanned aircraft in the national airspace. "The new rules would not apply to model aircraft. However, model aircraft operators must continue to satisfy all of the criteria specified in Sec. 336 of Public Law 112-95 (Special Rule for Model Aircraft), including the stipulation that they be operated only for hobby or recreational purposes."

Part of the AMA's response:

"As the nationwide community-based organization for the recreational and personal use of sUAS, the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) has created relevant safety guidelines, best practices and operating principles that have allowed enthusiasts to operate their aircraft and safely use this technology for more than seven decades.

"AMA's 78 years of experience in managing and overseeing the operation of model aircraft shows that a voluntary, community-based approach to managing this activity is far more effective in ensuring enthusiasts operate their aircraft in a safe and responsible manner.

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Secretary's Report:

The meeting was called to order at 7:30. Mike Shauger ran the meeting; Pat Rizzuto was absent.

The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved.

Treasurers Report:

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A recap by category follows:

Encumbered for Club Business	\$5,705.00
General Reserve	\$2,375.00
Warbirds	\$1,439.00
Laser/Electric	\$2,616.00
Fuel	<u>\$1,658.00</u>
Total	\$13,793.00

Training Officers

Hardyston Field Monday late afternoons

Training Officer: Craig Miebach (973) 764-2862

Training Officer: Mike Shauger (973) 271-1170

Training Officer: Charles Lis (973) 827-2440

Squatrito Field Wednesday late afternoons

Training Officer: Scott Geller (973) 464-5995

Training Officer: Bill Reynolds (908) 876-5357

Training Officer: Len Davis (917) 656-0086



Key Return

Squatrito Field access keys can be returned to Craig Miebach at 5 Hickory Road, Highland Lakes, NJ 07422. Please send in a SASE so that we can mail you back your three dollars.

It is a good idea to place the key between two pieces of cardboard. I have used padded envelopes without a problem.

You can also return your key to any club officer.

For Sale and a Freebie

For Sale: Enya 80 – NIB with header. Size of a 60 power of an 80 - \$175.

Call Tony 908 – 256 – 2342.

Free: 2 old plans. If any of the members want them, they are free. I have the Cloud Dancer 120, 98" wing span, and the Royal 182 Junior, 62" wing span.

Joe Florio (973) 586-3128

Committee Reports:

Field – Both fields are snow covered.

Membership: – Roll call.

Old Business:

Bob Bodner talked about a possible new meeting site in Mt. Olive. The venue seats about 50 and it is free. Pat and Mike looked at a couple of new sites also in the Lake Hopatcong area. None were viable. The Lake Hopatcong site seems centrally located. Rick Andrese volunteered to do a location map for future site considerations.

New Business:

Tony mentioned that a motorcycle club may be using the field surrounding Squatrito Field in early June. Since we would not be able to fly that day, the motorcycle club will cut all the tall grass surrounding our field saving us about \$500. As of this writing, there has been no word from the motorcycle club. Rick talked about the amount of publicity drones are getting lately and the number of ads in the AMA magazine. This triggered a lot of discussion.

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Event Schedule for 2015

Monthly Meeting	Contest
January 15, 2015	Project-of-the-Month
February 19, 2015	Model-of-the-Month
March 19, 2015	ARF- of-the-Month
April 16, 2015	Project-of-the-Month
May 21, 2015	Model-of-the-Month
June 18, 2015	ARF- of-the-Month
July 16, 2015 Hardyston	Project-of-the-Month
August 20, 2015 Squatrito	Model-of-the-Month
September 17, 2015	ARF- of-the-Month
October 15, 2015	Project-of-the-Month
November 19, 2015	Model-of-the-Month
Club Events	Dates
Warbirds Fun Fly	June 13 2015
Fun-Fly	TBD
Christmas Party and Raffle 7PM Sharp	Not Scheduled
Monthly Meeting	Contest

***The next club meeting will be on
March 19th at Sussex County
Vo-Tech.***

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