



NEWS AT THE TOP

June, 2017

Editor's Comments:

A News quote from the AMA:

"The U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate this week released proposed legislation for FAA reauthorization. We are pleased to share that both bills preserve the Special Rule for Model Aircraft and even contain some of the new provisions AMA has been advocating for to further protect our hobby."

I'm including the link below which shows a comparison between the two versions, one for Senate and one from the House of Representatives:

[Click here for this high-level bill comparison](#) as it relates to AMA members.

Bill Kishpaugh passed away last Friday. He was a member of our club for a real long time. He has not been around for a while, he had health issues. All of you know his son Blake, who he taught how to fly.

Bill was a nice guy and all of you who remember him, will miss him. I certainly will. Remember him in your prayers. An open house will be held in his memory, date to be determined at a later time.

Please see the last page of this newsletter to view a message from Blake.

President's Comments:

I would like to revisit comments of last month concerning the Notems that are being received by all clubs within the 30-mile radius of the President's Bedminster Golf club. I know that it is troubling to me as well, I am sure, and to all members of the club who look forward to flying on the weekends, that we are unable to do so due to security concerns. The AMA is involved with this matter trying to have the Notems lifted for clubs and flying fields that are AMA members. They recognize the unfairness of not being able to enjoy a recreational activity that many of us wait all week to do, but this must be weighed against national security concerns. Please do not attempt to fly at any of our fields while a Notem is in effect, as doing so will place yourself at great risk as well as the club. Let's see if the AMA can help to work this out. Meanwhile a call or letter to our federal representatives explaining the problem may help. I will ask Tony to have a template letter available at the next meeting for members to sign and send to Senators Corry Booker and Robert Menendez.

Some questions are being raised about the new field's development and its current footprint. Please remember that when the club decided on a course of action back in the late winter it was predicated on receiving approval from the state on Land Management Review, which to date has not been received. Rather than do nothing, members of the club in attendance at our meeting agreed that the field should be developed as much as possible with seeding, fertilizing and raking to remove small rocks. This was done and the results have been very good, owing to good rainfall and the hard work of many of our members.

Our meeting in August will be at Reynolds Field, and we can discuss the question of future development and prioritization of limited club resources. The State and it's representatives wanted us off Squatrito Field in early May, and I

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June, 2017 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM. Pat, Craig and Mike were present. Ron Zielensky read the minutes of the previous meeting, which were read and approved with no changes or corrections.

Treasurers Report:

March's opening balance was \$17,245. After debits and credits, the closing balance was \$15,779. A more detailed report is in the newsletter. The treasurer's report was accepted, seconded, and approved as read.

Field Reports:

Squatrito is in good flying shape. Hardyston is also in good flying shape. Reynolds Field's grass is growing well, has been cut several times, and is progressing on schedule.

Safety:

Check for ticks before you get into your vehicle. Also, there have been bear sightings at Hardyston, so check frequently when flying. The 'buddy' system would be a help while your plane is in the air!

Membership:

No report. New member David Gary was present.

Old Business:

Pat is selling insecticide infused clothing that may help keep ticks off you. He passed around brochures with details and took orders for 10+ shirts.

Because of AMA lobbying of the federal government, there is no longer a need to register yourself with the FAA. However, keep your number if you've already register in case this changes in the future.

We have no lease or permit to fly at Squatrito. We have been asked by Josh to leave by July 31st. Pat will try to get this extended into the fall. Please note that we still cannot fly when there is an event scheduled at Waterloo.

New Business:

Ron Zielensky and Frank Costello will refurbish and install the old frequency board at Reynolds field.

Please also note that when the President is in Bedminster, we cannot fly because our fields are all located within the 30-mile restricted area. A NOTEM is always sent when this occurs, but since many members do not receive this official NOTEM emails, Anthony will send out notices when future restrictions occur.

A work party is scheduled for June 24th at Reynolds Field to rake and remove rocks from the field and move the tables and flight stands from their temporary place. Coffee and donuts will be provided. It was suggested that we wait for 6 additional cuttings before we use the field.

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Glimpse of History



Budding airmen in Dover

Members of Dover High School's Airplane Club posed with their models in this 1943 photo. During World War II, two types of model airplane enthusiasts came to the fore. Some hobbyists, like the members of the Dover club, constructed flying models from balsa wood and paper. They built gliders or incorporated rubber band-powered propellers for flight. Interest in scale models also boomed during the war. According to Fine Scale Modeler magazine, 1:72 scale was popularized by the U.S. War Department when it requested models of single engine aircraft at that scale, hoping to educate Americans in the identification of aircraft. *Photo courtesy of Charlene Young Leary*



Jim Munley is shown above with one of two benches that he built for our new field.

Thanks, Jim, for all your hard work.

The article above from the Daily Record newspaper of Morris County shows members of Dover High School's Airplane Club back in 1943.

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prevailed upon them to work with us to extend that date to the end of July - and they agreed. Let's all take a step back and look at what has been accomplished.

Tony has done a magnificent job in spearheading the efforts to make the field flyable and accessible by having work done on the road. He deserves the club's appreciation for leading this effort and for keeping us all well informed. Please try to make the meetings on July 20th and August 17th to hear and see our progress on our new field.

Minutes: (Continued from page 2)

We discussed the possibility of having the district fun fly at Trinca Field in 2018. Rick Andrese moved that this be done, seconded by Frank Costello, and passed. Pat will follow up.

No models were brought in.

The 50/50 was won by Jim Munley for \$15.

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Event Schedule for 2017

Monthly Meeting	
January 19, 2017	
February 16, 2017	
March 16, 2017	
April 20, 2017	
May 18, 2017	
June 15, 2017	
July 20, 2017 Hardyston	
August 17, 2017 Reynolds	
September 21, 2017	
October 19, 2017	
November 16, 2017	
December 21, 2017	

***The next club meeting will be on
July 20th at
Hardyston Field
We will have a tailgate swap Meet at the
meeting – Bring something to sell.***

Treasurer's Report: May, 2017

May's opening balance was \$17,245.83. Collections for the month totaled \$329.00, represented by Dues \$210, Applications \$75, and Fifty/Fifty\$44. Expenses for the month totaled \$1,795.69 as follows:

Mowing \$560 (including \$50 for Reynolds Field, Field Maintenance Squatrito \$44, Field Maintenance- Hardyston \$947.09 of which \$647.09 is to repair the road and cones out of Reserves, and Reynolds Field \$244.60. The result is an ending balance of \$15,779.14.

Reserves are as follows:

Encumbered for Operations	\$ 5,933
General Reserve	\$ 2,353
Event Reserve	\$ 2,000
Reynolds Field Reserve	\$ <u>5,493</u>

Total \$15,779

In Memory William Kishpaugh

Dear Membership

William Kishpaugh, my dad, Bill, passed away on July 7th after a brief battle with cancer. He was a club member for close to 30 years and he taught me everything I know. You may have seen him and my mom together frequently at Squatrito field hanging out or flying. He encouraged me to be the best R/C pilot I could ever be and I hope to continue on in his memory.

An open house will be held in his memory, date to be determined at a later time.

**Sincerely,
Blake Kishpaugh**

