



NEWS AT THE TOP

July, 2018

President's Comments:

I would like to apologize for not being able to make the last two meetings; Unfortunately, my family chose the third week for vacations for the last two months. Our event is just a few short days away, and I would like to thank all the members who have committed to one of the standing committees. It is what makes this club great! We will have a big surprise at the event: the AMA is going to let us have their simulator truck, which is going to be a great draw for spectators young and old alike. What we are now waiting for is the waiver on the Fly-in in the event the President decides to go to Bedminster. I don't believe that this is going to be a problem as he is at Bedminster now and will be there until August 18. I think we may have a chance since he may decide to stay at the White House, since he will be coming off his vacation. I hope this works out. In any event I am working with Eric and the AMA to obtain the waiver, let's think positive.

We will be gathering Friday morning for set-up and will assemble for the event starting at 7 a.m. on Saturday - come earlier if you wish. I have asked the Viet Nam Veterans to present the colors and our own Rick Andrese to sing our National Anthem. The start of the event will be 9 a.m. with a pilots' meeting following the National Anthem. Please remember: with the size of our club, we can make this event huge success. For those of you who are on a committee and bring a plane to fly, we will find time to relieve you so that you have some flying time.

Look forward to seeing you all there, thank you all for your help.

PS: please also join us at Hardyston Field for our next meeting on August 16th at 7:30 p.m.

Secretary's Report - July 2018 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at Reynolds Field at 7:40 pm. Mike Shauger and Tony Curcuruto ran the meeting. Pat and Craig were absent. The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved.

Treasurers Report: See details on page 4 of this newsletter.

Old Business

New Business: Members have asked for a Porta john for Reynolds Field.

Field Reports:

Reynolds Field:

Reynolds Field is in good shape. Mike thanked Tony and Joe Florio for their efforts. He also thanked Scott Geller for bringing in a back hoe to make a ditch on the side of the road to release the water running onto it. Lastly, he thanked John Skews for doing a great job operating the back hoe and making that ditch.

Hardyston Field: is in good shape

Membership:

One new applicant was accepted. The applicant was a returning member - Mark Cunningham.

Old Business: : Frank Costello donated \$500 to the District II Fly In. While Pat was not present, he encourages all members to seek out donations. At the event there will be a F22 mock up, a Duce and a half, and a Blue Grass band playing at the BBQ. Hobby King and Power Box have donated items for a raffle.

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IMPORTANT SAFETY TIP – FROM A MEMBER’S PERSONAL EXPERIENCE

Here is a new, at least for me, safety warning.

I've been flying at Hardyston field since it opened. For the last 20 or so years I fly electric with no one else there, since the noise of the glow/gas engines agitates me.

Last August I crashed a plane into the marsh near the road. I found the plane real quick, but then I discovered I was on the ground. I could not get up onto my feet after many strenuous tries, and I ended up having to crawl on my hands and knees all the way back to my car. End result was 2 back operations, Lumbar and Thoracic, this year and I still have trouble walking and standing. I have not been able to fly since August of 2017.

If I had had my cell phone on me, rather than in the car I could have called for help. So make sure you have your cell phone with all the time.

John Wynne

July Meeting Comment:

There was a huge turnout for our July meeting at Reynolds Field. Counting the two club officers, there were 34 people present. Many members came early and did some flying—myself included. Mike fired up the grill and we had burgers, hot dogs and chips along with refreshments. The weather cooperated—not too hot and the winds were calm—a fantastic day to say the least.

Thanks to all of you who were able to attend. I hope to see all of you at the next meeting at Hardyston.

Sincerely,

Anthony Curcuruto

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Event Schedule for 2018

Monthly Meeting	
January 18, 2018	
February 15, 2018	
March 15, 2018	
April 19, 2018	
May 17, 2018	
June 21, 2018	
July 19, 2018 Reynolds	
August 16, 2018 Hardyston	
September 20, 2018	
October 18, 2018	
November 15, 2018	
December 20, 2018	

***The next club meeting will be
on August 16th at
Hardyston Field***

Treasurer's Report – June, 2018

April's beginning balance is \$13,879.64. Collections for April and May totaled \$283.00, represented by Dues \$140, Reynolds Field Assessment \$60, 50/50 \$58, and Applications \$25.

Expenses for the 2 months totaled \$1,095.34, represented by Mowing \$255, Hardyston Field Maintenance \$400, Meeting Room Rental \$200, Web Site \$40, District 2 Picnic Sanction \$140, and Reynolds Field \$60.

The result is an ending balance is \$13,067.30 defined as follows:

Encumbered for club operations	\$6,016
Reserve for Reynolds Field	\$3,191
Reserve for Events	\$1,860
General Reserve	<u>\$2,000</u>
Total	\$13,067