



# NEWS AT THE TOP

January, 2019

## President's Comments - January 2019

I would like to apologize for not being at the January meeting as my wife was hospitalized, and I felt it necessary to be with her. That being said, I would like to offer best wishes to all of our members and wish you all a belated Happy New Year!

We are in the middle of winter, and I would guess that many of us are in the middle of our winter projects, some further along than others, but hopefully still progressing. Please, if the project is mobile bring it in the next meeting, tell us about it, and share your thoughts and concerns. Maybe the problem you have was encountered by someone else and you can learn from their experience.

On a personal note, I have re-started my T-28 Mentor after putting it aside for a few years. My building time was curtailed by caring for my triplet grandsons and with some illness in the family. Amazing how much you forget and have to reacquire, almost like starting all over. Good thing I checked the boxes in the manual when I was building.

It is time to start checking out your flying equipment - especially the batteries and control surfaces - and making any necessary replacements and repairs. I know I will be buying a few batteries at the Expo later this month. I continue to get strong recommendations on 1-2-3 Batteries, which means I will probably need a new charger if I choose to go that route. I have been using my Alpha 4 since I got into the hobby and would not part with it. Decisions?

## **Secretary's Report - December 2018 Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30PM. Pat and Mike were absent. Tony ran the meeting. The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved without corrections.

### **Treasurers Report:**

The year ending balance was \$8,839. The club collected \$7,833 which was \$164 less than budgeted and spent \$5,637 on club operations. A more detailed report is in the newsletter.

### **Field Reports:**

**Reynolds Field:** the road to the field from the road is in bad shape.

**Hardyston Field:** no report.

### **Membership:**

There is one applicant so far for 2019. We have a membership drive till May. We are accepting applicants new to the hobby or applicants new to the area that do not belong to another club.

### **Old Business:**

**FAA** – Since the Government is in shutdown, all have been extended till 2020.

**DUES** - Dues are due. AMA dues are due also. A few members have not paid their AMA dues. Some of them are dropping out of the club. You will not get your club card if you did not pay your AMA dues.

### **New Business:**

**Lease for Reynolds Field:** The club has a temporary use permit till the end of March while the lease gets approved.

**Extreme Flight Championship:** Jake Arnold made the roster thanks to club members and others voting for him.

**Inclement Weather:** Tony will send out an email before 5pm on the day of the meeting or the night before if the forecast is certain. Be smart, if the weather is bad where you live, don't drive.

**Ways and Means:** we had a 50/50

**Events:** mention to Pat at the next meeting if you want to have an event or talk about a hobby related topic at a meeting.

**AMA Expo:** February 22-24 in Secaucus New Jersey. One of the guest speakers will be Matt Chapman. There will be an exhibitor auction. Tickets are \$15 at the door.

## Wanted – Flight Instructors

There were a few members that joined the club that did not get out to learn to fly this past year at Reynolds Field. There were a few reasons – field was closed in the early part of the season, Trump visits, and a lack of instructors.

If you are a seasoned pilot with good flying skills, and of course patience, contact me at [toponewjersey@comcast.net](mailto:toponewjersey@comcast.net) if you are interested. Training days at Reynolds field are Wednesday afternoons.

## AMA Expo: February 22-24

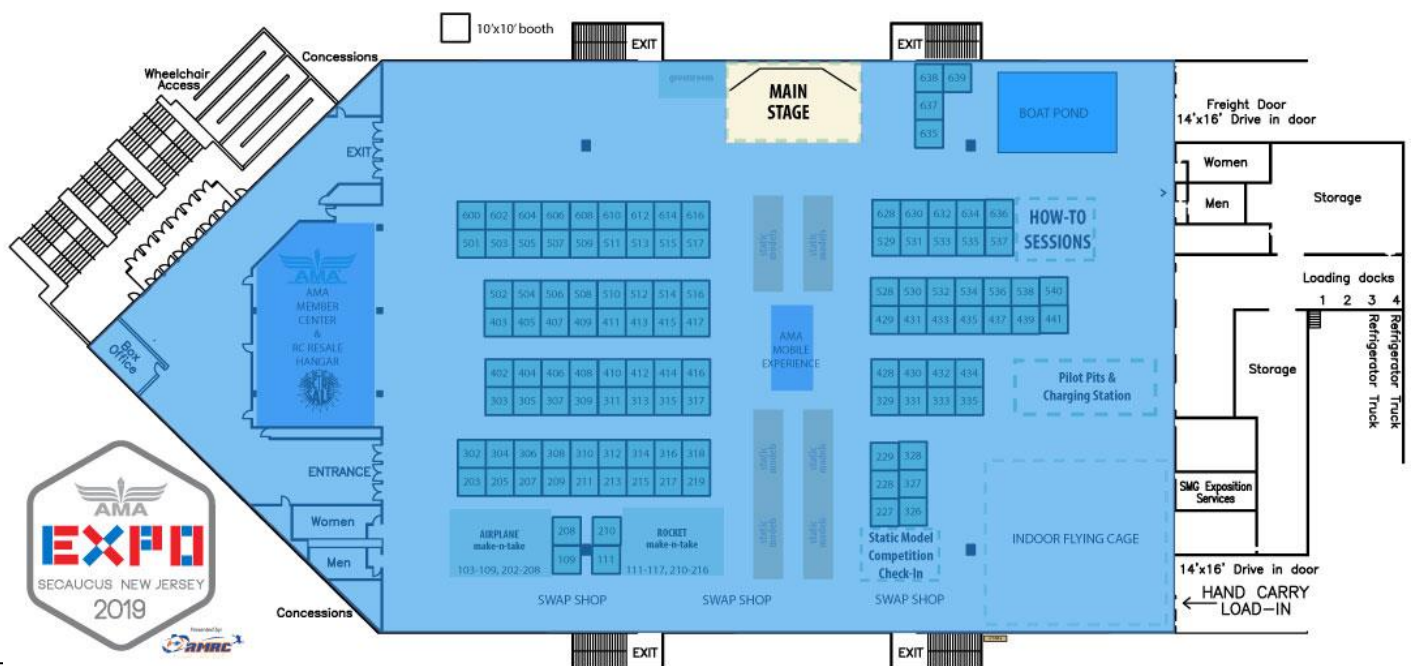
### Meadowlands Exposition Center

### Secaucus New Jersey

#### Directions from the west:

Stay on Route 3 East (passing Giants Stadium and Meadowlands Parkway). Take Service Road for Secaucus / NJ Turnpike. Pass Turnpike entrance, go under overpass and make quick right for Harmon Meadow Blvd. (large blue sign for the Plaza at Harmon Meadow, listing the Expo Center). You will be on Harmon Meadow Blvd. Go to second light, turn right onto Plaza Drive. Exposition Center is on your left.

#### Following is the Exposition Center Layout:



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## Event Schedule for 2019

Monthly Meeting	
January 17, 2019	
February 21, 2019	
March 21, 2019	
April 18, 2019	
May 16, 2019	
June 20, 2019	
July 18, 2019 Reynolds	
August 15, 2019 Hardyston	
September 19, 2019	
October 17, 2019	
November 21, 2019	
December 21, 2019	

***The next club meeting will be  
on February 21<sup>st</sup> at  
Andover Seniors Center***

## Treasurer's Report - December, 2019

**We ended the year with \$8,839 in the Treasury.**

**We collected \$7,833, which is \$164 less than budgeted and spent \$5,637 on club operations.**

**Most of the savings in spending came from:**

<b>Mowing</b>	<b>Savings</b>	<b>\$ 1,150</b>
<b>Donations</b>	<b>Savings</b>	<b>\$ 200</b>
<b>Limited field maintenance</b>	<b>Savings</b>	<b>\$ 900</b>

**The result is a total savings of approximately \$2,196 for the year.**

**Moving into 2019 the club reserves have been repositioned as follows:**

<b>General Reserve</b>	<b>\$ 2,500</b>
<b>Event Reserve</b>	<b>\$ 2,000</b>
<b>Reynolds Field Reserve</b>	<b><u>\$ 4,339</u></b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,839</b>

# R/C Engines and Planes For Sale

**Ron Rebish is selling the following. He can be reached at these numbers - 973-726-9304 (W) 973-726-9314 (F)**

## ENGINES

BMW 102 CC EVO has twin cylinder with a Blue Anodized finish, polished and drilled rear mount and prop washer. About a half gallon of fuel has been run through this twin cylinder engine. Prop is a PAC (Prince Aircraft Co.) LA series 26" x 10" with a P-tip Carbon s/n 5489P26AT10K. This prop cost \$197.00, which includes \$15.00 for shipping. Also included with the engine is a Tru-Turn 5" spinner that cost \$155.00. Engine needs one muffler, I lost the original one in the move. Original cost was \$1,400 **asking \$750.00 firm.**

Barely used gas BT 43 E I S with muffler and electronic ignition. This motor has been in my shop for numerous years and I have never started it. I took it in a trade years ago and it is 2.594 cubic inches, weight without muffler is 56.44 oz. **Asking \$200.00**

I also have a second gas engine like the preceding one that has no ignition module, prop bolt or washer. The muffler on this one is a little crappy and it is bent in the area of the exhaust flange. **Asking \$100.00.**

**RCS 1.40 gas engine** with aluminum motor mount, electric module and spinner. This engine is in excellent condition. **Asking price is \$300.00**

## PLANES

**Yak 54 w/DA 50 Everything is brand new.** This plane has an 85" wing span and the engine and plane are brand new as are all the digital servos, fuel tank, fuel lines, filters, etc. The landing gear has been reinforced as that was the weak spot on this plane. The plane was originally set-up with a Lypo battery with a 6 volt regulator but it has no batteries in it now. I have a tru-turn spinner on the prop, two wing bags, prop covers and rudder and elevator covers. The plane has two digital battery read out meters and the servos all have aluminum arms and ball connectors and they are as follows:

- 1 JR 8611 DS on Rudder
- 2 JR 6411 DS on Elevators
- 2 JR 8411 DS on Ailerons
- 1 Futaba 3004 on throttle

**Price as is:** Over \$2,000 invested **asking \$1,700.00**

**Kange Texas Hurricane w/48 CC MVS engine** (used & never crashed). 72" wingspan and it has a new 11/2018 5 cell NIMH 2600 MAH battery for the receiver and a new 11/2018 4 cell 2,100 MAH battery for the engine. I have wing bags, prop covers and the servos are as follows:

2 Elevator servos are digital, the rudder servo is a Futaba S9451 Digital. All of the pertinent servos have aluminum arms on them.

**Asking Price as is: \$850.00**

**Kange Laser w/DA 50 CC engine** (used & never crashed). Batteries are new and were put in 11/20e servos are as follows: 2 Hi Tec HS 635 BB on the elevator, 1 Futaba 3305 on the rudder, and 2 servos for the ailerons. I have wing bags and prop covers, the engine has a tru-turn spinner and wooden prop. **Asking**

**Price as is: \$850.00**

**Orange plane with OS 120 four stroke in it.** I don't know the name of this plane and the engine has low compression, but the original owner never had a problem with it. The wing is one piece and all of the servos are analog. I took this on a trade and the **asking price is \$100.00 or free to a needy kid.**

**Funtana w/rebuilt 120 OS four stroke.** The plane has never crashed and it has two wing bags and a new battery (11/2018). The servos are as follows: 1 JR DS 8411 on the rudder, 2 Hi Tec HS 545 BB on the elevator, 2 Hi Tec HS 635 HB on the ailerons and 1 Hi tec analog servo on the engine. The engine was professionally rebuilt in December of 2018 with new sealed bearings, a new piston and sleeve **asking price is \$400.00.**

**Mariner float plane w/.46 OS.** Plane was only flown off of snow and it was never in the water. This plane is in excellent condition and it will need a new battery before flying it. Engine only has about 6 flights on it and the **asking price is \$450.00.**

**Twister w/4 stroke Saito 70.** Plane is complete and the servos are as follows: 2 Futaba 3010 servos on the ailerons, 1 Futaba S 9202 on the rudder, and 1 JR DS 811 on the elevator. This is a very aerobatic plane and the **asking price is \$350.00.**

**Funtana, small electric version** of its bigger gas powered brother. This plane has all of the servos in it as well as the motor, and battery. The plane has only been flown about 10 times and it never crashed. The **asking price is \$200.00.**

**Nitro fiberglass deep V boat w/KB 7.5 CC engine with tuned pipe.** No servos or battery in the boat and it hasn't been used in excess of 10-15 years. The **asking price is \$100.00** or free to a needy kid.