



AMA Charter 1344
Gold Leader Club

Hangar Talk

January 2009 Meeting Minutes

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Let me talk about the break-in before I get to the meeting notes. On the morning of Jan. 24th, it was found that somebody had broken into the building at our field. Apparently, they broke into the large shed, took the pick axes (nothing else) and used them to break into the building. Once inside the building, all they took was the first aid kit near the door. The east window of the building has some small holes in it (not sure how they were made), but nothing else inside the building was damaged or taken. The door to the building sustained heavy damage; the deadbolt and the handle were both destroyed.

The police were contacted and came out to investigate. Contact Lee or Earl if you'd like more details about what the police said. The last I heard, the Hogan's were working on a plan to repair the door. As of this writing, the door functions, but there is no lock or handle.

When Lee got to the field on the 24th (he was first), the gate was OPEN. Whomever flew on the 23rd didn't lock it. Was this a factor in the break-in? Maybe. It certainly made it easy for somebody to just drive in though, didn't it? I'll say it again: if you're last to leave, lock the damn gate!

Note: the following is my opinion and is based on my time at the field a week after the incident. This seems really weird to me. Why take the time to break into a shed and not take anything (gas? Tools? Equipment?) Then, why take the time to break a steel door and then do nothing? Not that we keep anything really valuable in there, but they only took a first aid kit? The kit had nothing of value in it (no drugs, needles, etc.). I don't get it. I'm glad they didn't, but at least if they had vandalized the place, that would make sense. If anybody has any incite as to what they heck they were doing, please let me know.

Upcoming meetings and events

Dues are Due

February 21st Wings over the Rockies event

February 26th Meeting

March 26th Meeting

June 27th—28th IMAC

August 5th—9th Adams county fair

On to the meeting notes.

The meeting was on Jan. 22nd at Gander Mountain. Being the first meeting of the year, there were a lot of people. The Snow Bird was on Jan. 1st and went really well. The weather was nice this year. There were over 30 vehicles in the parking lot, so turnout was great.

The Wings Over the Rockies museum show is on the 21st. We have a booth again this year and, as usual, we need planes to display. Please bring what you can. The museum will open at 7:00am to allow people to bring in their planes. The show itself starts at 9:30am and goes until 4:00pm. Tear down will begin at 4:00pm. There is no admission fee for exhibitors. All types of planes are welcome. Contact Lee for more details.

Lee wanted everyone to know that the toilets will be pumped "as soon as the company can get out there." They may already have by the time you read this. The runway crack sealing is complete. I believe that happened sometime late last year. Not sure. The large jacket patches that were discussed at the October meeting aren't possible to get. There was some discussion on alternatives, but nothing definitive happened.

In a prophetic request, it was brought up to remind everyone that if you're last to leave on whatever day you're flying, lock the gate and make sure the building door is locked. This has to happen people. It's not difficult and doesn't take long. Just do it.

The Adams County Fair is August 5th – 9th. The parade will be August 1st. As usual, we plan to be in the parade and have a booth at the Fair. More details as the date gets closer.

A motion was made to continue the fuel giveaway at the meetings. Everyone in attendance will get a chance to win the drawing for a gallon of Hogan fuel. You must be at the meeting to win. The motion carried.

George Kerr spoke about Cerebral Palsy fly-in that Mile-Hi used to host. Since Mile-Hi no longer has a field, this fly-in could come to us. Mile-Hi is working on their field situation, so this is still in flux, but George asked if we were interested in hosting the event if Mile-Hi can't do it. A motion was made to host it if the opportunity arises. The motion carried.

- All collected entry fees and concessions (minus expenses) goes to the Cerebral Palsy foundation. There is no profit for the club.
- The event would consist of a fly-in, buddy boxes for the spectators, open flying (?), airshow(?).
- Last year, the Rocky Mountain BBQ association did the food. The meat was purchased by the club but everything else was donated. That would need to be arranged again for this year.
- George has volunteered to CD the event.
- Emails advertising the event will go to local clubs. The Cerebral Palsy foundation will do other advertising.
- The event will be on September 12th. The field would be closed for that day.

At the October meeting, Hank brought-up hosting an IMAC event. Chuck from AeroWorks was on-hand at the January meeting to explain how the event will work and answer questions.

Last year, there was only one IMAC event in the state. The years before had 4-5.

There are 5 classes on competition. The beginner level ('Basic') is open to anyone and any plane. Levels above that require experience and a plane that meets the IMAC rules (must be a scale aerobatic plane, sizes, weights, etc.) MAS members are encouraged to try the competition at the 'Basic' level. It's fun and will improve your flying even if you don't win.

Two weeks before the competition, Aeroworks will hold a school for MAS members. The school is intended to give us a feel for how the competition works, what patterns are required in the 'Basic' sequence, and also to give us a card that lets us compete for free. (an entry fee is required for other pilots)

The contest itself is on a Saturday and Sunday, so the field will be closed to club flying on those days. The dates are **June 27th and June 28th**. There may be some out of state pilots arriving on the Friday (the 26th). They will use the field, but the field won't be closed on that Friday.

All that MAS has to do is concessions. The club will get all money (minus \$4 per pilot) plus all the money for concessions. The club would need to provide some sort of plaques for the winners.

Aeroworks has setup the judges and the advertising for the event already.

Go to <http://www.mini-iac.com> for more info on IMAC. Contact Hank or Aeroworks for information on this event.

The City of Aurora will grate the our road and parking lot once per year at no cost to us. Everyone thank Randy P. and Gary H. for making this happen.

The combination for the gate will be changed at the end of March. **Get you dues in by then to be a 2009 member.** Non-members will not get the new combination.

Field Maintenance. As many of you know, Lou S. has moved and is no longer in MAS. Lou was our Field Maintenance officer. It was decided at the Jan. meeting to not elect a new officer this year and just have the work done as needed. We will wing it on a couple of Work Parties throughout the year. Probably timed with the events we're hosting.

Speaking of work, everyone thank Earl for doing the vast amount of mowing that he's done this winter. Thanks Earl.

Finally, Dennis did the drawing for the end-of-year prizes. Here are the numbers he drew. You must have a ticket to show to claim a prize. If you have one of the remaining winning numbers, show the ticket to Tom G. and he'll get you your prize.

Prize	Ticket Number	Winner
\$100	-	Tom Glaess (at meeting)
\$50	8380231	
\$25	8380206	

That's it. It was a long meeting. It should be a good year. See you at the field.

Tom

HISTORIC AVIATION

Oldest Boeing Airliner in Flying Condition

From <http://forums.corvetteforum.com/off-topic/2225583-oldest-boeing-airliner-in-flying-condition.html>

This is as it should be - passengers in a closed cabin, pilot in open cockpit so he will stay awake. The airplane is in Spokane, WA and is the oldest flying Boeing in the World.

After 8 years of repair and rebuilding and 8,000 hours of toil the Boeing 40C rolled out last winter as a finished airplane. They had to wait a few weeks for the snow to melt to fly this baby. They received their Standard Airworthiness Certificate from the FAA and completed the engine pre-oil and fuel flow tests for the first of the taxi tests.

Facts for the Boeing 40 project:

221½ gallons of dope/reducer and 120 yards of 102 ceconite fabric. 12 gallons of poly urethane paint for the sheet metal. The wings have 33,000 individual parts in them. The airplane weighs 4080 lbs empty, has a gross weight of 6075 lbs. It is 34 ft long and 13 feet tall with a wing span of 44½ feet.

Wing loading is 10 lbs per sq ft and power loading is 10 pounds per HP. It should cruise at 115 mph using 28 GPH, and 32 GPH at 120 mph. It carries 120 gallons of fuel in three tanks.

350 - 2 inch brushes were used to apply 6 gallons of West Systems epoxy, and 181 rolls of paper towels for cleanup.

There were a total of 62 volunteers who worked on the project to some degree. 21 of the volunteers did a significant amount of work, and 9 of the volunteers worked continuously during the 8 year project.



NOTICE: DUES ARE COMING DUE

MAS dues are payable each January. There is a grace period extending until the end of March. After I April, if your dues are not paid, you will not be able to fly at the MAS field (although you will always be welcome) and you will no longer receive the MAS newsletter. Your 2008 membership card will not be accepted on the frequency board. You must have the new 2009 card. In the period (which is very short) between the time that you submit your dues payment and receive your new MAS membership card for the coming year, you may display your new AMA card to let other members know that you have renewed your MAS membership and are insured in case of accident. At the end of the grace period all member whose dues have not been paid will have their names removed from the club roster and AMA so notified. This is an AMA requirement

All members are aware of the initial joining fee of \$125.00. Annual dues, as stipulated below, are to be paid in January. Those new members joining in September or later will not be assessed dues for the following year. Their initial \$125.00 will carry over into the next year. After that period they will be obligated to pay yearly dues. This is the way AMA handles the problem of late registrations. Dues are \$90.00 per year for regular members and \$15.00 for junior (18 years or younger) members.

Please send your dues (checks payable to MAS) to Tom Glaess, 11208 Vrain Dr, Westminster, 80031. Also please submit the following information with your dues so that the club roster can be updated if necessary.

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Name _____

Street Address _____

City/Town. _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

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Serving the Northeast Denver Area the Miniature Aero Sportsters flying site sits on 48 acres with a 500 foot paved runway. The club is open to all who have a current AMA membership. The Miniature Aero Sportsters consists of a group of individuals with a common interest in radio control aircraft. Club meetings are on the 4th Thursday of the month at Gander Mountain Sporting Goods located at 9923 Grant Street Thornton , CO. Meetings start promptly at 7:00 pm. All M.A.S. club members are encouraged to attend meetings, and to become actively involved in the club's activities

The first year there is a once a lifetime \$125 initiation fee charged to all new members. Every year after that Annual membership dues are \$90.

For membership information check out our web page:

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