

# HANGAR TALK

### THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE MINIATURE AERO SPORTSTERS

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It's hot! *Hotter than the 4th of July*. If you are flying something new this year, *send me photos!* We'd love to share in the newsletter. - *HT Editor* 



## **HOT ITEMS:**

- Next club meeting is July 30th, 9:00 am at the field.
- The runway rehab is done! Take a look...page 7.



## **FROM THE PRESIDENT...**

By Mike Feitinger, MAS President



**H**appy Fourth! Hopefully you had a great weekend with friends or family.

Our field is looking great thanks to the runway reseal project finally being completed. Big thanks to Bill Howlin for handling a big portion of that. Also thanks for everyone chipping in here and there making it look great.

The board and I have decided to hold off on a couple improvements for now until the market improves. With any luck we can do more projects in the future to give you more for your membership money.

And finally, we awarded Jack Dunkle his Snowbird trophy for flying on New Years during a blizzard! Congrats Jack!

Happy Flying!





### -THE TREASURER'S REPORT-

By Bill Howlin, MAS Treasurer



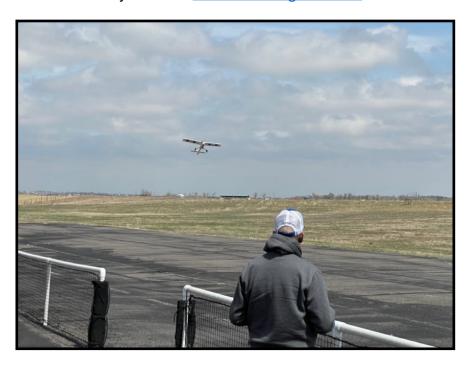
All bills are up to date and accounts are in good standing.

**PLEASE, do** *not* **share the gate code!!** Our insurance will not cover non-members using the field that are not a guest of an active member.

### Please lock the building and gate if you are the last one to leave.

Make sure I have your current email! We seem to have many club members whose email is no longer correct.

Questions or *constructive* comments concerning membership dues may be addressed to Bill at 720-988-6336 or by email to <a href="mailto:bhowlin088@gmail.com">bhowlin088@gmail.com</a>.





### **SAFETY TIMEOUT**

by Ken Roberts, MAS Safety Officer



## RC flying Dos and Don'ts -some basic safety tips

The RC flying *Dos* and *Don'ts* listed below are just some basic tips that should keep your flying experiences as safe and enjoyable as possible.

### **Some RC flying Dos**

- If you're new to the hobby, choose a model suited to your current flying experience, *not* the one that looks the best in the shop but you won't be able to control.
- Do be aware of any model flying rules and regulations.
- Do carry out those essential pre-flight checks and, very importantly, the range check.
- Do be very aware of your radio gear battery levels at all times. A drop in charge after lots of flying will result in the aircraft going out of range, and out of control.
- Do write your name and phone number (or use an address label), FAA registration number somewhere on the aircraft. RC airplanes have been known to fly off by themselves, or get stuck up trees or lost in corn fields, and the finder has more reason to return it if there is contact information and even more so if there's an offer of a reward.
- Do fly within your skill limitations. We all need to push the envelope a bit, that's how we progress, but pushing it too hard too fast can have nasty results.
- Do use common sense, keep it safe, sensible and responsible at all times.

### Some RC flying Don'ts

- Don't fly where flying isn't permitted.
- Don't fly too close to built-up areas or roads, or anywhere where you could be a nuisance to the public.
- Don't fly in an area with lots of trees, pylons, posts, power lines and other obstacles.
- *Don't* fly close to people who are out trying to enjoy the sunshine. Or anyone at anytime, for that matter.
- Don't fly over or close to animals wild or domestic.

- *Don't* try and fly beyond your capabilities *eg* try advanced aerobatic maneuvers without mastering the basics first.
- Don't fly over your head and behind you it's the quickest way of getting completely disoriented and confused with what the aircraft is doing. A truly horrid feeling when it happens, believe me!
- Don't fly the aircraft too far away it doesn't take long for an rc airplane or helicopter to become a tiny dot in the distance, and you have no idea of what the aircraft is doing, which way up it is etc. Again, a sure way for disorientation to kick in.
- Don't fly on very windy days if your aircraft or its pilot isn't capable of handling wind. Different rc aircraft can handle different strength winds, but for a basic electric park flyer a wind of 10mph could be too much. No wind or a gentle breeze is ideal.
- Don't turn on a MHz transmitter if you see other modellers around. Check which
  frequency band they are using first; they also could be using a MHz TX so you need
  to be aware of potential frequency clashes.
- Don't forget your pre-flight checks and range check.
- Don't fly if you are in any doubt about your aircraft or your situation. Wait for another day instead.

### "Safe flying is no accident"

Credit- RC Airplane World



### **Meeting Minutes / June 2022**

- Meeting held June 25th at Keffer Field.
- Meeting Called to order by President Mike Feitinger at 0900.
- President Michael Feitinger-present

Vice President Mark Nicastle-present

Treasurer Bill Howlin- present

Safety Officer Ken Roberts- present

Field Maintenance Officer Joe Moore- not present

Board member Lee Overholt- not present

Board member Larry Litsey- present

Board member Bob Salmon-not present

- Attendees-14
- Treasurer's report was given by Bill Howlin.
  - Bill reports state lease renewal is complete. All bills are up to date.
- Safety Officer Ken Roberts spoke about radio interference issues at the field. Ken reminds us to be aware of the fact there are a couple areas that have claimed some victims including straight out from the clubhouse towards the big trees in the ravine and also ESE of the runway centerline.
- Old business:
  - Runway Status- Rescheduled to June 28th and 29th. Field closed on those dates.
  - Mike Feitinger talked about the shade structure idea and how serious the club is about investing in this improvement. Project will be opened up for input from the members as to ideas.
- New Business:
  - Larry Litsey mentioned how it was encouraging that we still have a sound group of members interested in keeping the club alive and running. We still can use more participation tough.

Motion to adjourn and seconded at 0920.

## **FIELD REPORT**

The latest updates to the flying field and what's going on.

### **THE RUNWAY IS DONE!**





















#### Front Range RC Flying Events Calendar for 2022 (Ver 2a) by Mike Cross - Longmont Associated Modelers Association (LAMA) Note 1: This events calendar is very dynamic and being updated frequently, bear with me on changes. Note 2: Some of these events are not firmed up ---- verify before you plan to attend. Note 3: The events with a (A) = are AMA sanctioned events and (I) = are IMAC sanctioned events. These events were gathered from the AMA Web (W) site calendar, club web sites and emails from club officers. Purple - Newly added event ${\bf Please \ send \ updates \ to: \ Hotcross.RCFlyer@Gmail.com}$ May 24 – Indoor flying 7-10PM https://actionhobbiesco.com/ Foothills Sports Arena -Lakewood May 23 - Vern Lake Float Fly Arvada Associated Modelers - Arvada Jun 10-12 -(A) - Warbirds & Classics over Denver Jefco Aeromod'lers - Littleton Jun 11 -(A) - Pluckrose Memorial Event Mile Hi RC - Strasburg Jun 11 - Vern Lake Float Fly Arvada Associated Modelers - Arvada Jun 17-18 -(A)- LoveAir R/C Scale Summer Classic LoveAir - Ault Jun 18-19 -(A)- 2022 Colorado Pattern Challenge Arvada Associated Modelers - Arvada Jun 21 - RC Eagles Jun Airshow/ Fun Fly + BBQ 6-7:30PM Denver RC Eagles - Aurora Pikes Peak RC club - Colo Spgs Jun 25 - PPRCC T-28 & Big Stik Invite Jun 26 - Vern Lake Float Fly Arvada Associated Modelers – Arvada Jul 2-3 -(A)- LAMA IMAC LAMA - Longmont - Dacono Jul 09 - LoveAir Swap Meet /Fun Fly LoveAir - Ault Jul 09 - Vern Lake Float Fly Arvada Associated Modelers - Arvada Jul 16 - PPRCC Warbirds over Pikes Peak Pikes Peak RC club - Colo Spgs Jul 16-17 (A) - Parker Pattern Contest Crosswinds RC - Aurora Jul 21-24 -(A)- 4th LAMA Fest 2022 LAMA -Dacono Arvada Associated Modelers - Arvada Jul 24 - Vern Lake Float Fly Jul 26 - RC Eagles Jul Airshow/ Fun Fly + BBQ 6-7:30PM Denver RC Eagles - Aurora Jul 30 - PPRCC Electric Fun Day Pikes Peak RC club - Colo Spgs Aug 06 - PPRCC Fun Fly Pikes Peak RC club - Colo Spgs Aug 06 - Vern Lake Float Fly Arvada Associated Modelers - Arvada Aug 12-13 -(A)- Colorado WarBirds LoveAir - Ault Jefco Aeromod'lers - Littleton Aug 13-14 -(A) -2022 Mile High Challenge Pylon Race Aug 14 - PPRCC Family Day & Swap Meet Pikes Peak RC club - Colo Spgs Aug 20 -(A) -Mile Hi RC Club Open House Event Mile Hi RC - Strasburg Arvada Associated Modelers - Arvada Aug 21 - Vern Lake Float Fly Aug 23 - RC Eagles Aug Airshow/ Fun Fly + BBQ 6-7:30PM Denver RC Eagles - Aurora Aug 27-28 -(A)- LAMA Pattern Challenge LAMA -Dacono Sep 3-4 (A) - Warbirds & Classics over Pueblo Sky Corral - Pueblo Sep 03 - Vern Lake Float Fly Arvada Associated Modelers - Arvada Sept 9-11 -(A)- 2021 Mile High Heli Showdown LAMA -Dacono Sep 10 -(A) - Warbirds Over The High Plains Mile Hi RC - Strasburg

Sep 15-18 (A) –Warbirds & Classics over the Rockies

Sep 17 – Indoor flying 7-10PM https://actionhobbiesco.com/

Sep 17 - Jets over Pikes Peak

Arvada Associated Modelers - Arvada

Pikes Peak RC club - Colo Spgs

Foothills Sports Arena -Lakewood



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. 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

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