



MAY 2023

HANGAR TALK

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE MINIATURE AERO SPORTSTERS

CLUB PRESIDENT-MIKE FEITINGER

May is here and the field has been busy with activity! I hope you've had a chance to get out and enjoy it. We did not hold a meeting in April as several of us Board members were not in town.

Spring cleanup is May 26th!...

PLEASE, I implore you to help out on cleanup day. We will start immediately after the meeting. Once that is done, stay and fly a plane!

Welcome to our newest members!....

Welcome Dan Brandenburger, William Taylor, Frank Pifferini, Sean Snider, and welcome back Casey Greibel !!

Water Fire Pump added to the field....

We have added a 5 gal water fire pump sprayer to the field for grass fires. It is located inside the clubhouse, just inside the door. See Safety Officer Ken Roberts article on this subject in this newsletter!

Happy Flying!, Mike

COMING EVENTS CALENDAR

**NEXT MEETING MAY 27TH
AT THE FIELD 0930**

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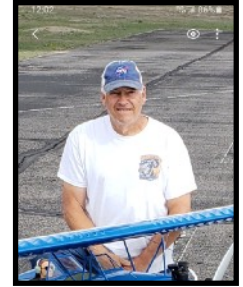
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CLUB VICE PRESIDENT-JACK DUNKLE

Hey guy's and gal's, the summer is here and there has been some great flying. I want to mention one thing to new and old, I mean long time members. When you payed your dues and were checked by Bill H for AMA status, you became a member and at that point you were given the gate code and were asked not to share it with other people (non members). There have been a few instances where there were non members out flying without a member present. The rule is, as a member you can bring a guest out with you a few times so they can check out the field, but it does not mean you can give them the code and send them out to fly as a guest without you there. When this happens we have to change to code and reissue to all current members and that's a lot of unneeded extra work for the officers, mostly Bill H as he is the one that would have to reissue the new code to all the current members. This issue is an insurance problem too. As a AMA charter club we need to abide by these rules so as not to lose our charter status and thus our insurance. That's my two cents this month. Thanks for listening and hope to see you all out there doing what we love, flying and please, keep it safe.

Happy Flying, VP Jack

CLUB TREASURER-BILL HOWLIN

The gate code has changed! **IF** you paid your dues you should have received an email from me with the new gate code. **DO NOT SHARE THE CODE WITH ANYONE!!** Even if you think they paid their dues. Have them call me at (720) 988-6336.

SAFETY OFFICER-KEN ROBERTS***FLIGHT LINE FIRE SAFETY***

Fires on the flight line is never a good thing. Especially an uncontrolled one with fuel spilling out. I was reading the *AMA Gas Turbine Program (510-A)* recently and on page 2 of the document, it has *flight line requirements* for turbine powered aircraft. I think you'll all agree, these requirements should be for all nitrile and gas types as well. Specifically, a "B/C"-rated or equivalent fire extinguisher shall be present for all engine starts and water-based fire-fighting equipment shall be present on the field. A phone shall be present at the site, along with the phone number of the closest fire department or 911, whichever has been determined to be most effective for emergency response.

Since we have a couple of new turbine jet aircraft flyers, the club has purchased a 5-gal fire pump sprayer back-pack to have on hand in the event of a crash and a grass fire ensues. I've used these in my younger days as a firefighter and they work great for fighting small grass fires. It weighs ~ 40 lbs when full of water and easy to use. It operates just like a "super soaker" squirt gun, just pump the handle (circled below) and water sprays out the end.



We also have a 5-lb B/C fire extinguisher inside the club house. Per the rules above, a B/C fire extinguisher shall be present during engine starts. This means the fire extinguisher should be outside on the flight line area and ready to use.



To use this type of fire extinguisher, remember this acronym **P.A.S.S.**

Pull pin

Aim the nozzle at base of fire

Squeeze handle to discharge

Sweep nozzle back and forth

Next time you're at the field, please look at the fire extinguisher(s) we have in the club house to know where to find them. Look at the club field's address location that's mounted on the back of the door. If you're not comfortable using a fire extinguisher or the fire is too big, don't put yourself in harm's way, call 911 for immediate help. In the event of poor cell service, you may need to walk up the hill to make the call. If for any reason you use the B/C (dry chem) fire extinguisher, even if it was just a few seconds, it must be recharged or replaced. Please notify me or one of the other club officers.

Fly Safe, Live Safe!



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ALL AIRCRAFT WELCOME!



COME OUT AND FLY WITH US!!
SEPTEMBER 23RD, STARTS AT 0900

AMA EVENT #14070

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