

# HANGAR TALK

#### THE NEWSLETTER OF THE MINIATURE AERO SPORTSTERS

# **CLUB PRESIDENT-JACK DUNKLE**

Hello All MAS Members, we finally got through the very busy holiday season and are now looking forward to the new year at MAS!

We had a great first event, our Snowbird Fun Fly event on New Years. I have posted pics and details of the event on Google Groups and VP Sean has posted on our Facebook page, please check it out. The field camera and WiFi system is up and running but we still have a few quirks to work out before sharing the link to the cameras. More details at the upcoming meeting. Also note, we will be having our meetings again at the Lodge near my home for the next couple of cold months starting on Jan. 25th at 6:30. Here is the address:

20309 E 53rd Ave, Denver, CO 80249

Hope to see you all there!

Jack Dunkle

**COMING EVENTS CALENDAR** 

**MONTHLY MEETING JAN 25TH AT 6:30PM** 

**ANNUAL DUES TIME! RENEW YOUR DUES!** 

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#### **CLUB VICE PRESIDENT-SEAN SUTTON**

Happy New Year! I hope this newsletter finds you all well and full of enthusiasm for another exciting year of flying (hopefully not crashing) at Keffer Field.

#### **Snowbird 2024**

I Had such a great time at The Snowbird that I didn't not want to leave and felt so grateful to be around everyone who attended. This was my first time being part of it and It was very rejuvenating to say the least. Thank you Jack for bringing some tasty foods from home, and Ora, as always, for the doughnuts, a Miniature Aero Sportsters staple:)

Congratulations to Warren for winning at this event, also showing us that there's still more ways we can irritate our wives, just by being all the RC Pilot you can be; Bringing home that beautiful porcelain bird to clash with every single piece of decor in the house she placed so meticulously, of which do not include half baked looking avian creatures we so appreciate. It's more than just about flying guys;)

## **Looking forward**

As we bask in the success of the Snowbird Fun Fly, I'm eager to share my excitement for the upcoming events and activities we have in store, which are not just about showcasing your flying capability but also simply about creating great memories and strengthening the bonds within our terrific community. For this January's club meeting, I hope to see a packed clubhouse with fist fulls of doughnuts and coffee as we talk about ways to enrich all of our future experiences at the field.

#### Get Involved

We encourage every member to actively participate in our upcoming events. Whether you're a seasoned pilot or a novice still mastering the basics, there's a place for you in our skyward happenings. Your presence adds to the vibrant tapestry of our club, making each event a truly memorable experience. I personally have had some very humbling and informative moments with some of you that I will never forget which has made me a far better pilot than I was before I joined M.A.S, and in turn will try to pass on that knowledge to new pilots I meet so they can succeed and thrive in this hobby as I have.

It is my hope that 2024 will be filled with glorious maiden flights, friendly contesting, and just being together. I can't wait to see you all at our upcoming events!

Wishing you clear skies and tailwinds,

#### Sean Sutton

Vice President

#### **CLUB TREASURER-DAN BRANDENBURGER**

Hello Pilots,

It's that time of year again, please plan to get your annual membership dues to me as soon as possible. Annual adult \$90, \$15 for Juniors (under 18). There is a one-time initiation fee (for runway maintenance) for new members (waived for juniors). Find information and pay options on the MAS website.

Also, ensure AMA membership is up to date.

If you prefer to mail a check my address is, 19619 E 50th Dr, Denver, CO. 80249. Happy to confirm receipt of payment if you provide phone and email info with your check.

Questions? My email, <a href="mailto:DBrandy100@msn.com">DBrandy100@msn.com</a>, phone 720-270-8927.

Thanks! Dan

#### **SAFETY OFFICER-KEN ROBERTS**



# Miniature Aero Sportsters Field Safety Rules

- MHZ style transmitters must have a frequency pin attached to the transmitter when at the field. It is the pilots responsibility to verify if there are any other users at the field with the same frequency (applies to 72mHz radios only).
- 2. All pilots must have a current AMA license when operating at the field. NO EXCEPTIONS!
- 3. All extended engine runs must be conducted outside of the pit and spectator area.
- 4. All aircraft must bear ownership and FAA identification in accordance with AMA and FAA rules
- 5. All fly-bys, high speed runs, and aerobatics must be conducted over the infield, not the runway. No flying over the runway when it can be avoided. There shall absolutely no flying over the pits, spectators, or parking lot.
- 6. While flying, pilots must stay in the pilot box immediately behind the safety fence. Pilots may only stand near the runway during takeoffs and landings. To retrieve stalled aircraft, the pilots must announce their intentions to go onto the runway.
- 7. All students must fly with an instructor until they are proficient.
- 8. The traffic pattern and active runway must be announced and agreed upon by the pilots currently flying.
- 9. A maximum of five (5) pilots are allowed in the air at any one time.
- 10. No alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs are allowed at the field.
- 11. There shall be no flying while impaired.
- 12. All engines for which mufflers are available must have a muffler.
- 13. All spectators must stay in the spectator or parking area at all times unless accompanied by a club member.
- 14. While in the pit area, prop blast must be directed away from spectators, pilots, and other aircraft.
- 15. Miniature Aero Sportsters encourages all pilots to fly with a co-pilot (spotter) for the safety of those at the field.
- In addition to these rules, AMA Safety rules apply to all person at the field (see www.modelaircraft.org)
- 17. Junior members MUST be accompanied by a parent or guardian while at the field.

Continued violation of the club safety rules by any members will result in termination of club membership. Violators will be warned in writing and the third warning will initiate the final review by the MAS Board of Directors to determine the need for dismissal. The MAS Board of Directors are resolved to provide safe flying conditions for all club members.

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# SNOWBIRD 2024!







