

# **THE CARRIER WAVE**

## **PHANTOM FLYERS R/C CLUB**



**ama #393 SAINT CHARLES, MO**

**April 2016**

Newsletter of the Phantom Flyers R/C Club

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**Phantom Flyers R/C Club  
March 23, 2016 Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by Club Vice President Herb Johnson at 7:00 pm. There were 8 members in attendance. The meeting was held at Mark Twain Hobby Center.

**Secretary's Report**

The February 2016 Meeting Minutes were approved. Club membership is at 44 regular members.

**GLSMA Report by Herb Johnson**

The Buder Park field is a mess from the flood. They are in good financial shape. There have been heated arguments with the local Soccer parents about planes overflying their field. A new ruling allows Pilots to now fly R/C in the control line areas.

**Field Managers Report by Don Grzina**

The runway is in good shape and it may not require a work crew to fill cracks this Spring. The runway needs stripes. The lawn mowers were both started and are ready to go. The mowing schedule will be issued soon. Someone mentioned to check with Mitch about the title to the trailer. We found a Quad Copter visitor at the field a couple a weeks ago and we let him fly as a guest. Signs were made by Kevin Cox and hung up to notify non members that we are a private club. Don expressed appreciation for the help with the signs. Apparently the gophers are back and having fun in our field. Don Albert mentioned that the drag will level the mounds.

**Safety Report**

Drone/Helicopters were taking off behind pilots on the flight line while the drone pilots were at the Pavilion.

**Activities**

The last indoor event was last Saturday at Jefferson City  
There is one more session in Troy  
It was mentioned there is a Pattern contest scheduled in Pittsburgh June 26-27

**Old Business**

The roof bids were reviewed. We are now waiting to hear from Ed who was going to talk to Jack about it. It was decided that we probably need the cost of the lease before we spend money on the roof. Don Albert warned that the prices we received were winter prices.

**New Business**

What should we do about new member FPV pilots flying their aircraft out of site?

Some sad news. Dan Curtis, Pattern Flyer from Springfield passed away.

Meeting was adjourned

jjw 4/8/2016

Updated Event Calendar...Thanks guys!

<b>Phantom Flyers RC Event 2016 Calendar version 2</b>			
<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>CD</b>
Snow Fly	1 Jan		Ed White
Field work Party	TBD	Sat	
Hayes Lake Float Fly	7 May	Sat	Don Vetrone
Vista/Electric Sailplane Contest	14 May	Sat	Ed White
	21 May		
Innsbrook Float Fly	28 May	Sat	Don Vetrone
Carrier Fun Fly	4 June	Sat	Jan Jansen
Field work Party	TBD	Sat	
	11 June		
Vista/Electric Sailplane Contest	18 June	Sat	Ed White
Float Fly WF	25 June	Sat	Don Vetrone
	2 July		
Sportsman/Interm. Pattern Contest	TBD	Sat	Ed White
Meet Me In St. Louis Pattern Meet	9 July	Sat	Ed White
Electric Fly	16 July		Kevin Cox
Float Fly WF- Elfrink Lake	23 July		Don Vetrone
Vista/Electric Sailplane Contest	30 July	Sat	Ed White
Joint Fun Fly at Phantom Field	6 Aug	Sat	Jan Jansen
Carrier Fun Fly/Open Fun Fly?	13 Aug	Sat	Jan Jansen
	20 Aug		
Pattern Contest	27-28 Aug	Sat-Sun	Ed White
Float Fly Innsbrook	3 Sep	Sat	Don Vetrone
Joint Fun Fly at Wright Flyer's	10 Sep	Sat	M. Walter
Vista/Electric Sailplane Contest	17 Sep	Sat	Ed White
	24 Sep		
	1 Oct		
Elfrink Float Fly (10 AM)	8 Oct	Sat	Don Vetrone
	15 Oct		
Christmas Dinner	3 Dec	Sat	Ed White

**Academy of Model Aeronautics**  
**Member Communication**



Tuesday, April 12, 2016

**AMA Member Call to Action**

Dear AMA members,

The U.S. Senate is currently considering amendments to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Reauthorization Act of 2016. We need your help today to ensure this proposed legislation fully protects the model aircraft community.

[Click here now to urge your Senators to support Senator Inhofe's amendment number 3596 to the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2016.](#)

As you know, we are pleased that the Senate's proposed legislation preserves a community-based approach to managing the recreational community by maintaining the Special Rule for Model Aircraft. However, at the same time, we are concerned with additional provisions in this bill that could detrimentally impact our community.

These new provisions would require all UAS, including model aircraft, to meet new FAA design and production standards and impose unnecessary regulation on hobbyists who often build their own models at home. The bill also requires modelers to obtain permission from air traffic control when flying within 5 miles of towered airports which could jeopardize hundreds of existing flying sites. And if passed, the bill would require model aircraft enthusiasts to take an online FAA safety test and carry proof of passing the test when flying. These new directives would undermine the model aircraft activity and detract from the creativity, innovation and enjoyment of the hobby.

By supporting Senator Inhofe's amendment number 3596, you can help stop this from happening. This critical amendment would maintain the basic intent of the Senate's proposed legislation, while lessening the negative impact on the model aircraft community.

As always, thank you for your support of AMA and your efforts to protect our community.

Sincerely,  
AMA Government Affairs

The above message had been forward to the club's mailing list by Ed White. Please take notice. Functioning [link](#)...

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This part of an email sent 4/3/2016

**IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO MOW,  
IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO FIND A REPLACEMENT.**

April				
1	8	15	22	29
<b>Larry Anderson</b>	<b>Jack Buydos</b>	<b>Scott Maier</b>	<b>Walter Rhodes</b>	<b>Jim West</b>
Peter George	Ed White	Scott Watts	James Plonka	Donald Stigall
Brian Malloy	Don Grzina	Emery Kattelman	Billie Maupin	Bill Ahrens
May				
6	13	20	27	
<b>Greg Robert</b>	<b>Jim Greenwood</b>	<b>Herb Johnson</b>	<b>I. Tschomakoff</b>	
Kevin Cox	Steve Carey	Jan Jansen	Harold Weaver	
Dan Sundman	John Klein	Mitch Galatioto	Jose Espinosa	
June				
3	10	17	24	
<b>Jim Frederick</b>	<b>Jim Greenwood</b>	<b>Rick O'Mara</b>	<b>Larry Anderson</b>	
Scott Watts	Ed White	Al Bone	Peter George	
Greg Roberts	Scott Maier	Jim West	Brian Malloy	
July				
1	8	15	22	29
<b>Kevin Cox</b>	<b>Jack Buydos</b>	<b>Steve Carey</b>	<b>Brad Young</b>	<b>John Klein</b>
Herb Johnson	John Schrock	I Tschomakoff	Donald Stigall	Jim Alberico
Jose Espinosa	Bill Ahrens	Harold Weaver	Jan Jansen	Don Grzina
August				
5	12	19	26	
<b>Billie Maupin</b>	<b>Emery Kattelman</b>	<b>Mitch Galatioto</b>	<b>Bill Ahrens</b>	
James Plonka	Walter Rhodes	Rick O'Mara	James Plonka	
Mitch Galatioto	Dan Sundman	John Schrock	Emery Kattelman	
September				
2	9	16	23	30
<b>Jose Espinosa</b>	<b>Jim West</b>	<b>Don Grzina</b>	<b>Scott Maier</b>	<b>Larry Anderson</b>
Jan Jansen	Kevin Cox	I. Tschomakoff	Scott Watts	Peter George
Herb Johnson	Ed White	Harold Weaver	Dan Sundman	Brian Malloy
October				
7	14	21	28	
<b>John Klein</b>	<b>Jim Frederick</b>	<b>Donald Stigall</b>	<b>Greg Roberts</b>	
Brad Young	Walter Rhodes	Jack Buydos	Al Bone	
Jim Alberico	Steve Carey	Jim Greenwood	Billie Maupin	

The first mowing of the year was today. The mowers found somebody, most likely last night, had given us a lawn job tearing up some turf and doing a burnout on the runway. And so it goes...

BIG THANKS to the mowing crew who did a great job of repairing the damage. There are some remnants of the ruts but tons better than they found it. Many thanks to Larry Anderson, Pete George and Brian Molloy !!

And a note for the following mowing crews. Please setup and pull the roller behind the red mower. It will help smooth out the field especially now when the ground is softer. But, let's all remember last spring! Be very cautious that the ground will support the mowers. We have some low spots that can get very marshy after a rain.

On the events front, we have a preliminary events schedule posted on the website (middle bottom of front page). Things will change so check back often.

The first event will be April 30. Haye's Lake Fly-In. There is also a flyer available from the home page.

Ed (this was part of an email sent 4/3/2016).







Articles, pictures and tech notes for publishing in the Carrier Wave are always appreciated.

Let us know what you are building, repairing or flying!

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