



## PILOTS BRIEFING

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### CATCHING UP

Notes from the September meeting: Field maintenance; call Todd Dudek if you want to help. The field is being mowed on Tuesdays. The big tractor had both lift arm assemblies replaced due to breakage. The clubs utility trailer has been moved to the back of Bill Wittey's barn. The garbage cans have been removed, so if you bring food items, ie, pizza boxes, Burger king bags, plastic bottles and cups etc. take them home with you.

### FLY ZONE AND NOISE INFRACTIONS STILL PERSIST

The clubs existence is in jeopardy! There are still people who are not only flying extremely out of the no fly zones; but someone is flying a large scale gas airplane that is reportedly way to noisy. The neighbors are getting tired of complaining to club members and not seeing positive results. Their recourse is to contact the local authorities and possibly put an end to the flying activities at Mr. Wittey's property. In an attempt to police ourselves and keep track of who is at the field, the club voted to have all members give their vehicle make, year, and license number to the club secretary. No 2011 membership cards will be issued to anyone unless they submit their vehicle information. The information will only be used, and accessible, by the club officers if needed. Yes, this seems a drastic measure; however, this matter must be dealt with. There is the possibility that a non member is flying at our site and causing this problem; that is why it was voted to have members vehicle information available to the club officers.

### M.A.R.S. CLUB MEETINGS

For now the club will continue to have its monthly meetings at the Kings restaurant in Wexford. There is talk of having the summer meetings back at the field with advance notice to the membership.

### NOVEMBER MEETING WILL HAVE NOMINATIONS FOR CLUB OFFICERS

Rich Glassbrenner volunteered to take on the responsibilities of Vice President due to the absence of young Jim Bumbaugh. Nominations for the 2011 club officers will be made at the November meeting.

### WEB SITE TURN OVER IN LIMBO

Dale Neely has offered to take over the club web site as per Ralph Lovettes request; however, the two entities have not as yet been able to get together to make the necessary arrangements. Hopefully this will take place soon.

### GET OUT AND VOTE

No matter what your political party preference, please get to the voting polls this November.

### SWAP MEET PRIZES

It was agreed on that the club would try something different this year as far as prizes go. We will be having a Hobby Zone Champ airplane; radio included, along with two or three Tower Hobbies gift certificates, plus several smaller prizes. Doctor Bumbaugh is handling the prize procurement, and John Froehlich is working on the Tower Hobbies gift certificates.

#### THINGS TO REMEMBER:

When CMU is test flying; all club aircraft are to be grounded, and all radios turned off.

We are guests of Mr. Wittey while at the field. Please be respectful of the property and the NO FLY ZONES.

Help keep the field neat and clean! Take your garbage home with you!

### CLUB TAKES OVER PORTA-POTTY EXPENSE

Due to financial constraints CMU is no longer able to pay for the club Porta-Potty. The cost per month will be \$ 80.25; however, we will be looking into having a handicapped unit installed in the Springtime, which might cost more. The current unit will have it's servicing put on hold at the end of November 2010 through the end of April 2011 at which time we will have the handicapped unit installed.

### NEXT M.A.R.S. CLUB MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for NOVEMBER 9, 2010 at Kings, Wexford.  
Meeting starts at 7:30 P.M.

M.A.R.S. WEB SITE:  
[WWW.MARSRCCLUB.COM](http://WWW.MARSRCCLUB.COM)

Meeting Called to Order by President Tom Heusey.

Correspondence Received: 1).Bill from Mr. John Porta-potty-(\$80.25). 2). Several e-mails regarding swap meets, and flea markets from other clubs; sent to M.A.R.S. members via e-mail.

Treasurers Report: John F. Froehlich ( SEE BELOW ).

A.M.A. Report: Jim Gillie brought to our attention the incident of a young girl being struck and injured by an electric RC helicopter in a public park in Tampa Florida. This incident occurred in April of this year. AMA's President, Dave Mathewson addresses this issue in his Presidents Perspective on the AMA web site.

Field Report: Thanks to those members who are maintaining the field. The field is being mowed every Tuesday.

Newsletter: The news letter will resume this month.

Website: Dale Neely has offered to take over the club web site. He is waiting to get together with Ralph Lovette to transition the files.

Old Business: 1). Swap meet prizes. 2). Start thinking about volunteering for the swap meet. 3). The ads for the swap meet have been submitted to the AMA for print in the December 2010, and the January 2011 issues of MA magazine.

New Business: 1). We need to have someone step up to take on the position of Vice President. 2). Do we want to cut back on the number of club meetings, ie, every other month, or quarterly?

Show and Tell: 1). Doc Bumbaugh brought in a beautiful Pitts Python 40 size electric. Great detailing Doc!

Open Forum and 50/50 Raffle. A 50/50 raffle was held; \$24.00 was collected. The winner of \$12.00 was Al Stephens; Al donated the winnings back to the club.

Total number in attendance: There were 15 members present at the meeting.

Total Members To date: The M.A.R.S. club has 79 current members on the books, and registered with the A.M.A.

Meeting Adjourned.

#### TREASURERS REPORT

Forward Balance: \$1,469.14

Deposits: None

Balance: \$1,469.14

Expenses: \$64.83 ( \$28.21 Gas for tractors, \$36.62 for left and right lift arm assemblies for mower deck ).

Ending balance: \$1,404.31



**M.A.R.S. 2010 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

1). M.A.R.S. SWAP MEET, JANUARY 16, 2011 AT THE MARS VFW.

**! Annual Winter Swap Meet !**

**Sunday January 16, 2011**

**PLANES – CARS – RADIOS – ENGINES – HELICOPTERS  
HOT FOOD – FREE PARKING – GREAT PRIZES**

**\$3.00 General Admission - 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

**Kids under 10 are FREE**

**Vendor Door Opens at 7:00 a.m. for Setup**

**I-79 to Rt. 228 East, right onto Mars-Valencia Road  
Mars VFW Post 7505 will be on the left.**

**(45) 8' Tables \$15.00 each in advance to Chuck Dufford  
724-287-0101 (E) until 9:30 p.m. or 724-822-1312 (D)**

**Send Checks payable to "M.A.R.S."**

**Chuck Dufford - 106 David Drive - Butler, PA 16001**

**We sell out early so plan ahead!**

**GPS ADDRESS:**

**Mars V.F.W. Post 7505, 331 Mars Valencia Rd.**

**Mars, Pa. 16046**

**N40\* 41.2957', W080\* 0.3339'**

**MAKE A HABIT OF FREQUENTLY CHECKING THE M.A.R.S. WEB SITE**

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**WE'RE ON THE WEB**  
**WWW.MARSRCCLUB.COM**

## 2010 Club Officers:

**President:**  
Tom Heusey  
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Rich Glassbrenner

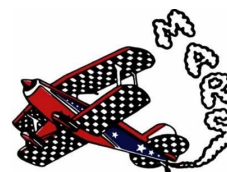
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## **Club Field:**

300' X 60' Grass runway

Tables, covered impound, chairs and picnic benches, gas grill, Porta-Potty.

## **Directions to Club Flying Site:**

North of Zelienople, PA off Route 19. Follow Route 19 North, 1/2 mile past Sally's Cider Press is Warner Lane, turn right on Warner Lane. ( See map on web site ).

Spectators are welcome at any time. Flying is allowed by members only. For safety, all spectators must remain behind the tables.

## **Classifieds**

If you want to post articles for sale, please email them to [frodove@comcast.net](mailto:frodove@comcast.net)

## **Thought for the day:**

### **LAW OF PROBABILITY:**

**THE PROBABILITY OF BEING WATCHED IS DIRECTLY PROPORTIONAL TO  
THE STUPIDITY OF YOUR ACT.**