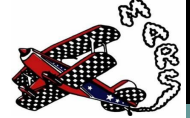


MODEL AIRCRAFT RECREATION SOCIETY



## PILOTS BRIEFING

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FEBRUARY, 2011

### M.A.R.S. 2011 CLUB EVENTS

Due to confusion, and lack of organization at the clubs events, it was determined by vote that from now on, all club events will have committees to oversee the progression of that event. It was decided that the Swap Meet will have not less than a six (6) member committee, while all other events will have not less than a four (4) member committee. If for any reason we are not able to obtain the required number of members to form any committee for any event, then that event will be cancelled by the club. That means the club will not provide funding, or sponsorship for that event. A proposal for club event dates was suggested as follows: Club Picnic-early June, Heli-Bash-June 18, 2011(confirmed), Corn Roast-September, Christmas Party-December, Swap Meet-January 15, 2012. Anyone wishing to sponsor an event please contact any of the club's officers with your proposed date, and get your committee members together for planning.

### INTRO PILOT INSTRUCTORS FEES

If you want to be an AMA Introductory Pilot Instructor you will have to incur the cost on your own. The AMA charges \$5.00 per person for this, and covers the student you are instructing with the AMA insurance for sixty days while at an AMA chartered field, and under direct supervision of the Intro Pilot Instructor. If interested, you can register on the AMA site by yourself.

### WEB SITE

The M.A.R.S. Web Site Is now officially registered to the club. That means we own it! Many thanks to Dale Neely for his continuing efforts to improve the site and get it to where it is today. In the future, if anyone wants to take over as webmaster, it will be a simple matter of just transferring the passwords and payment method to the new webmaster.

### HOBBY EXPRESS

Next time you visit "Hobby Express" be sure to thank Harry for his generous donation of a complete 'VAPOR' airplane package for the clubs swap meet.

### FIELD WEED SPRAYING

It was decided to forego the weed spraying of the field this year. The weed population can be kept down to an acceptable level if the grass is kept mowed weekly. If you can volunteer any time to help with the field mowing it would be greatly appreciated. Be sure to check the mower oil levels before mowing, and refill the gas tank when you are done for the day.

### BE CAREFUL

It's that time of year when the winter blues are just about over and we are all anxious to get to the field to start another year of flying fun. Please be careful when driving at the field as the grounds are very soggy and soft. Besides getting stuck in the mud, it tears the grounds up something terrible; a mess that takes months to straighten out for those maintaining the field and the surrounding areas.

### WALL OF SHAME

The 'WALL OF SHAME' may have to go, or be relocated, as we need that space inside the shed for posting the new No Fly Zone, and New AMA Rules. We might even be getting a new bulletin board for inside the building. Maybe the 'WALL OF SHAME' can be relocated to the outside back wall of the building, ( MORE ROOM THERE ).

### MEETINGS AT THE FIELD

It was discussed that since the nice weather is on the way that we should start to have the club meetings at the field during the nicer weather. This is in hope that we can bolster attendance, and get some flying in before and after the meeting. Since we meet on a Tuesday don't forget it will be airplanes only. The club will notify the membership when a meeting is to be held at the field.

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

The next meeting is scheduled for MARCH 8, 2011 at Kings, Wexford.

Meeting starts at 7:30 P.M.

## MARS MEETING AGENDA, FEBRUARY 8, 2011

Meeting Called to Order by President Tom Heusey.

Correspondence Received: NONE.

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

A.M.A. Report: It was mentioned that the AMA now offers free membership to those persons who are 19 years of age and younger.

Field Report: The field is reported as accessible; however, there are high snow banks at the parking area where someone plowed the snow to both sides. We ask that members going to the field at this time of the year be especially careful not to get stuck in the mud, and to please not tear up the pit and parking areas.

Newsletter: Nothing new.

Website: The web site now belongs to the club.

Old Business: 1). It was decided to cancel the acquisition of a Handicapped Porta-Potty, and continue with the existing unit which will start being serviced the month of May. 2). Tuesday night will still be Airplanes Only night, and Wednesday evenings will be, in part, for on demand flight instruction.

New Business: 1). A motion was made and seconded to halt the weed spraying at the field. 2). The club will no longer pay for those wanting to obtain Intro Pilot Instructor status. If you want to get this, it will be at your own expense. 3). Club events will need to have committees this year. The Swap Meet will need to have no less than six (6) people on its committee to help with the event; all other events will need to have no less that four (4) people on their committees to help with the activity. If we cannot get enough people for the committees for any event, that event will be cancelled by the club. The dates that were agreed upon were, January 15, 2012 for the Swap Meet, early June for a club picnic, Heli-Bash June 18, 2011, Corn Roast in September, and a Christmas Party in December.

Show and Tell: Doctor Bumbaugh brought in a neat AERODYNE CAOS 600 electric heli that he put together, he fitted an TREX 500 canopy on it and it really looked great.

Open Forum and 50/50 Raffle. None

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

Total Members To date: The M.A.R.S. club has 48 current members on the books, and registered with the A.M.A. for 2011.

Meeting Adjourned.

### TREASURERS REPORT

Forward Balance: \$1,027.49

Deposits: \$836.15 ( \$671.15 from the Swap Meet, \$165.00 from membership).

Balance: \$1,863.64

Expenses: \$226.94 ( \$76.94 to Dale Neely for the balance on the web site for 2011, \$100.00 to AMA for club recharter for 2011, \$50.00 to postage for 2011 ).

Ending balance: \$1,636.70

**MARS SWAP MEET REPORT 2011**

**2011 M.A.R.S. SWAP MEET REPORT**

**TABLE SALES-\$480.00....( 32 TABLES AT \$15.00 EA. )**

**TOTAL INTAKE- DOOR, FOOD, RAFFLES-\$662.55**

**TOTAL BALANCE-\$1,315.60**

**EXPENSES-\$80.00 FOOD, \$400.00 BALANCE ON VFW HALL RENTAL, \$65.50 FOR 50/50 RAFFLE, \$70.00 TO LUKE PLANES FOR PLANE FOR RAFFLE, \$10.00 AMA AD, \$3.75 FOR FLYER PRINTOUTS, \$15.20 FOR MAILINGS.**

**TOTAL EXPENSES-\$644.45**

**NET PROFIT-\$671.15**

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

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### 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!

### 2011 Club Officers:

**President:**  
Tom Heusey  
theusey@zoominternet.net

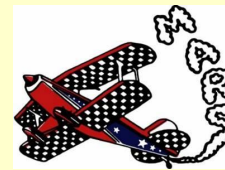
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### **Club Field:**

300' X 600' 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 [frodoe@comcast.net](mailto:frodoe@comcast.net)

**Thought for the day:**  
**A CLEAR CONSCIENCE IS USUALLY THE SIGN OF A BAD MEMORY**