



Issue - June 2011
 Chartered Club # 4095
 38 36'25.61" N 75 53'06.52" W

AMA

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Dear Member-

I don't want to sound negative, because that isn't exactly true. When I start feeling something, I have learned that sometimes other people might be feeling the same way. Maybe it is that \$4 gas, or the near 100 degree heat we have where Spring was supposed to be, or business and family demands increasing. In any event, making time to come to the field seems harder these days. I don't want anybody to mistake that for lack of interest or for what it feels like - "you don't love me anymore"

Our club operates on an interesting dynamic. Our fun, and the memory of fun comes from spending time with the right people and also in having some personal luck in cheating the gravity gods. (Some members call that flying skill, but in my case, I think luck is a better word) I just wanted to point this out because once we become aware of something, we can do something about it.

At the field, I have found some new faces and I delight in making them a part of what I look forward to when I leave home for the field. When my schedule changes and I show up at different times - I don't find the same folks as I used to and that registers as something missing. I can change my feelings by drawing a larger circle around my new friends, and also renew my effort to spend some regular time at the field when I know 'the gang' is going to be there.

I would hope that we all continue to look for opportunities to share some special time with our old and our new friends. Now that Hobby Town has closed down, I have all 5 of my new airplane projects sitting at home daring me to get going. All I have to do now is take their advice and things will get back to normal.

See you all at the field.

Jack Upchurch, President

Fun Fly Event

Club Calendar

Next Club Meeting: This Wednesday - June 8 - 7pm - at the FIELD unless it is raining at the field. If it is raining - we will meet in Pizza Palace in Hurlock. Actually, we will probably be having pizza at 5:30 rain or shine.

June 5 - Sunday -- Fun Fly

August 13-14 - Jim Coll Stunt Contest

September 10-11 -- IMAC Memorial ? ??

??? -- Club Picnic - Scale Theme encouraged

To Be Discussed at the next meeting

1. Events support
2. Safety

Happy Birthday !

Clayton Troutman - June 21
 Keith Herzong - June 23
 Bob Snead - June 28

Radio Frequencies in Use

spectrum x 20

13x3 ; 14x1 ; 15x1

17x1 ; 18x1 ;19x2;

22x2 ;23x1 ; 25x1

26x2 ; 27x1

32x3 ; 33x1 ; 34x1 ; 36x1



Sunday, June 5
10 am- ??

A fun day of just goofing around is planned for members and guests. Surrounding clubs have been invited and the "Funnest Flying Club" trophy is up for grabs.

- Food will be expertly cooked by Matt & Terri Sebring, members are encouraged to provide stuff like potatoe salad, baked beans, brownies to go with the burgers and hot dogs. Bring guests and enjoy some time away from the yardwork.
- Competitive activities are planned for pilots of all skill levels. Bring your planes, fuel, gas or electric.
- This year's contests are:

41x2 ; 44x1 ; 45x1 ; 46x2 ; 48x1

51x1 ; 52x3 ; 53x1 ; 54x2 ; 55x2

56x2 ; 57x3 ; 59 reserved

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Our local Hobby shop

HobbyTown USA

Has Closed :(

Members are encouraged to support Hobby Stop in Seaford -

- Spot landing- measured distance from where your plane lands and stops moving to a target spot on the field;
- Cracker whistle - timed event where the pilot must eat a peanut butter cracker and whistle before taking off and completing the
a simple flying task- best time wins;
- Timed loops - take off, do as many loops as you can in the time allowed- high score wins;
- "Cahones of steel" - Take off and level flight- hands off the sticks , time runs until you touch the sticks

- Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each event

This event isn't going to be a fierce competition, but should be a great way to get your RC pilot juices flowing this year.

A meeting was called to order . . .

At the field on May 11 -- 7pm.

The meeting was called to order as the sun was setting. Members in attendance arranged themselves for access to the donuts and also so that the president would have to stare into the sun while attempting to lead the meeting.

The Treasurer reported \$358.37 in checking and \$2026.75 in savings.

Keys to the trailer were discussed. It was noted that there are now 2 keys available for member use. Buddy boxes and cords are stored in the locked trailer for member use - both Futaba and JR are available. JR trainers require a charged buddy box, so members are encouraged to keep that in mind. It was suggested that a Spectrum buddy box be added for use as needed.

A final pre-event review of volunteers was had for the Slow Survivable Combat contest scheduled for May 21. Other than someone to cook the food, everything is handled by the combat contestants themselves. Members were encouraged to come out and watch the carnage.

Member ID cards were available for those who had not yet picked them up. Members still missing cards were encouraged to contact Jack Rosemere, so that he can create one. They are available at meetings and whenever Jack is at the field flying.

The grass runway condition was discussed. With last year's lack of rain, much of the fine tall fescue grass was knocked back and a less desirable clumping grass has taken hold. Members asked about resuming the fertilizing / seeding program. The club will investigate overseeding in the fall, but without irrigation, it was agreed that fertilizing and going back to fine tall fescue grass was

not a good use of club funds. Bob was going to see if we can secure the use of the neighbor's large roller again this year.

The president brought up the topic of 'tolerance' for discussion. There have been several member comments about such things as members bringing dogs to the field, the watermelon irrigation and the driveway being impacted by the potatoe farmer neighbor. It was suggested that members having concerns might first consider whether there is an actual problem or merely the possibility of a problem. In the case of an actual problem, club officers can and should be involved to work out a resolution after discussing your concerns first with the offending member. (In fact, the club does have a grievance procedure for such things) Members were encouraged to handle the other type - 'the possibility of a problem' with an attitude of tolerance. Allowing others to enjoy the field in their own way or to go about their lives while we go about ours will result in fewer hard feelings. Many of our worst fears never produce the anticipated problem.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

About Eastern Shore Aeromodelers Club

We are an AMA chartered club, with membership open to those with an interest in things that fly. Check out our website, come to the field and watch us play with our toys, and join us if you like what you see.

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Let us know how we measure up. Comments, critique welcome.



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