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AMA CHARTER CLUB #4095

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

You guys and gals are the greatest ! Just when I start thinking things might be getting a bit stale, you surprise me with some new ideas (mine are the old stale ones). We are all working hard at keeping our balance during these tough times, being cautious about spending and cutting back where we can. But I sense we are also getting a little stir crazy without having our 'big events' at the club. It is great to have ideas come from members who want to do something just for fun and who don't mind putting in some free time and effort to make it happen.

We all know that our club offers a great

place to fly just about anything. But that really isn't enough. How a club treats visitors, those new to RC flying, and those bands of flyers who get into some narrow part of our hobby like jets, helicopters, IMAC or control line says more about who we are than having a nice field. It is the comments we get back from visitors about our spirit and friendship that makes this club worth supporting.

I ran into a small flock of Seaford Club guys last week at the field. (nobody was injured) Several of them were wanting membership forms to renew with us. Now, I don't look at them as 'those guys' – I look at us all being part of a larger

interest in things that fly. Part of what we might get done this next year is a better coordination between the close clubs in the area. It is really lots of work just keeping our club humming along without worrying about what anybody else is doing – but if we can take advantage of what others just like us are doing, support their events by showing up and buying a burger, flying something and building friendships- this can help make us all stronger. They are already doing all the work for their events just like we are – all we have to do is show up when invited, and make sure we invite them.

Merry Christmas

So I was looking for some Holiday theme photos for this December newsletter. Most all of my pictures have wings in them, but somehow they just weren't festive enough. So here are some Holiday pictures I took of some goofy things my wife puts out after Thanksgiving– both have wings if you look closely. Shhh.... she doesn't know these are goofy.

Merry Christmas, and hope to see you all on New Year's Day.



THE BUZZ

LAST MEETING

A club meeting was called to order at 7pm at the Train Station on November 18, 2009.

The Treasurer reported balances of \$1765.90 and \$1023.30 in checking and savings. The current slate of Officers had been nominated at the last meeting, no positions were contested, and all have agreed to serve for another year. A vote of the members present was taken and the Officers were elected. Board Members were similarly approved for another year. Next year's Officers and Directors are: George Fox – Safety Officer/Director, Lee Stevens – Treasurer/Director, Duane Lundahl – V President/Director, Jack Upchurch – President/Director. Matt Sebring – Field Marshall/Director, Skip Messick – Field Marshall.

A brief discussion about the club financial condition and dues for 2010 was conducted. Members were in favor of continuing with dues unchanged. Renewal membership forms will be included in the December newsletter and members will be encouraged to fill out the forms and send in their dues so as to avoid being considered delinquent. In recognition of above and beyond service to the club, the Directors voted to award Skip Messick a complimentary membership for 2010.

The Jim Coll Stunt Contest event planning was updated by Tim and Jack. The two day event will separate old time classes from the others. Bob Hunt had talked about possibly holding a set up clinic at the field some time early in the season – possibly in May. The members discussed support for the activity even though it would possibly require the field to be closed to RC flying during the day. Tim was encouraged to discuss this further with Mr Hunt and report back.

Members began presenting 2010 event ideas for discussion. A Fun Fly was approved for May 16. The event will be coordinated by Matt and George and is expected to include activities for both fuel and electric models. The surrounding clubs, family, and friends would be invited.

George reported on his discussion with Brent about next year's Helifun event. Brent has located a site up 301 near DE and has his sponsors committed. The group discussed what involvement our club might have with this event. Depending on how Brent proceeds, and what he decides – our club can have nothing at all to do with it, or could host the event at the field. Our event procedure which was adopted this year would need to be followed if we were to be involved. There are timeframes involved, written plans to be submitted and approved by the club prior to the club becoming involved, and it is

unclear whether Brent has any need for our assistance at this time.

Terri asked members to think about menu items for next year's events. She and Matt will continue to do the planning, purchasing and cooking- but they asked for help in choosing what to have available. Using Angus beef patties was suggested, and Terri responded that we were already using these. Possibly having fried chicken vs grilled was discussed. Matt indicated that the two club grills are on their last legs and that one larger unit might be purchased during the off season to replace them. The members agreed.

Projects for next year were discussed. Possibly the canvas roof which covers the cooking area will work for another year – possibly not. Replacing it with metal will cost about \$600. We'll keep an eye on it. The sad shape of the wind sock was mentioned. Steve Nuwer called his brother Paul and secured the donation of a new wind sock. Thanks Paul and Steve !

The meeting was called to a close at 8:15 pm.

CLUB CALENDER

NEXT CLUB MEETING

December 9 **Christmas Club Meeting, 7pm at the Train Station, Hurlock**

January 1 **First To Fly - at the field on new years day**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Bob Humphries - December 29
 Ray Payne – December 26
 Terri Sebring – December 16
 William Tull – December 17

TO BE DISCUSSED AT THE NEXT MEETING

1. December Christmas Food and Fun
2. Club Slideshow 2009
3. 2010 Events
4. Show and tell- bring your new project to show if you like

Renewal Membership Application

(One Individual or Family per form)

- Junior Membership - 18 years or under \$20 dues / \$10 after September 1
- Senior Membership - 65 and over \$35 dues / \$17.50 after September 1
- Individual Membership - \$50 dues / \$25 after September 1
- Family Membership - \$60 dues / \$30 after September 1

Name: _____

Additional Names: _____

Mailing Address: _____
Street or PO Box

City

State

Zip Code

Phone Number: (____) _____ Date of Birth: _____

AMA Number: _____ E-mail : _____

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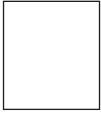
The applicant hereby agrees to abide by the rules and regulations established by the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) and those of the Eastern Shore Aeromodelers Club –Charter #4095

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Members must have a valid AMA number before flying at the field. Dues are due by January 1 for the calendar year. Completed applications may be turned in at a regular club meeting or mailed to the club at:

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