



ACADEMY OF MODEL AERONAUTICS CHARTERED CLUB #1255

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THE DECEMBER 15 MEETING IS AT THE CIVIC CENTER!!

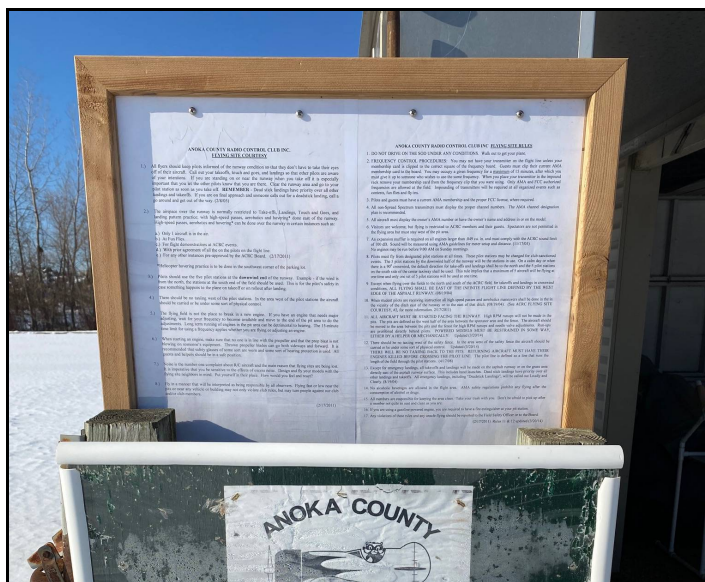
PRESIDENT'S CHATTER

FLYING SITE AND COURTESY RULES

There was some discussion at the last two monthly meetings about safety and courtesy at our field.

There was a motion to appoint Jeff Flander to the board position of safety officer seconded and after little discussion it passed. Welcome Jeff!

I have framed and posted our club courtesy and flying site rules above the AMA field regulations.



We don't have many rules that aren't just plain common sense. I would suggest that if you didn't read the rules when you paid your dues please take a minute to read them the next time you are at the field. Understanding most are just for making the hobby safer and more enjoyable.

Speaking of enjoyable----- I got skis on my CAP

232 and the Senior Telemaster and am enjoying some flying on snow already this winter.

If you can, bring snacks and treats to the December meeting

Jeff Slater

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

HOLIDAY GREETINGS!!! I hope that you have been good so that Santa will bring you a lot of goodies this year and maybe a few **EXTRA-SPECIAL** treats. If you haven't put in your request yet, just leave a Tower Hobbies catalog lying around with the appropriate pages marked. You still have a few weeks until Christmas. Just remind your significant other that it takes less money to fly large R/C airplanes than it does to support the local tavern.

There is an application included in this newsletter and if you lose it you will have to pick one up at the meeting or send me a self-addressed stamped envelope. Members who read the newsletter on line can print the application and rules from the ACRC website. www.anoka-rc.com Remember, **ALL** current members have to fill out a 2023 application and have their year 2023 AMA verified before they can be issued a 2023 membership card. Dues for 2023 are \$75.00 and if you rejoin after January 31 there is a \$5.00 late fee. Please rejoin as soon as possible after you get your November Servo Chatter and your AMA card for 2023. It is easier to set the budget if the majority of the dues are in by mid-January.

REMEMBER - I need verification of your **2023**

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AMA dues. Sending a copy of your 2022 card will only delay the processing of your application. Please also include a small stamped self-addressed envelope. It's not that the club cannot afford the stamps, but it makes it easier for me as I do membership for both ACRC and SPMRC. Thanks

ACRC FREEZE FLY - Put skis on your plane and get ready for some winter flying on January 1.

TCRC ANNUAL AUCTION - The TCRC auction will be on Saturday, February 4, at Cross Point Church on 98th and Bloomington. Registration starts at 7:00AM and the auction starts at 9:00AM. Go to the TCRC website for more information:

http://www.tcrconline.com/pages/auction_seller_registration.htm

The December meeting will be on the 15th at the Coon Rapids Civic Center. See maps attached to the email for directions.

Stan Zdon

FROM THE VEEP

There is snow on the ground and building season is in full swing. I expect some of you have found time to get skis on your planes to take advantage of the milder winter days. I just picked up some materials to take a second attempt at making skis for my trainer. This time I purchased some aluminum sheet and rivets, so hopefully they will be sturdy and simple to build. I'm planning to (and please hold me to this) finish them before the Freeze-Fly coming up. I've attended a few such events and have always enjoyed watching touch-and-goes off of the snow, but I've never had skis on my own planes, so I've just brought my hand-launch models. I'm determined to make it the year I finally have skis, maybe even on two planes if I can salvage the lite-ply attempt number-1 skis.

Regarding the building part of the season, sometimes one must improve the workshop before getting around to the models to build. One of the improvements I've made to mine over the last couple years is to make an airplane storage rack. It is rather simple, but requires the ability to screw 2x2's to the wall. I'm fortunate enough to have an unfinished basement for my shop and there is a

false wall that I was able to utilize for this. I spaced the 2x2's so that I had room for wings on one end and fuselages on the other. Then I took a 5/8" Forstner bit and drilled holes where necessary to custom fit the wings and fuselages on dowels cut to the right length. I've included a photo that hopefully makes it into the newsletter to show you how space efficient this can be. I have about 10 models situated on the wall, with the one open space being reserved for the Piper Cub's fuselage (the wing is already up there.) I also have plans to build a new worktable, so bring your recommendations for what kind of top to utilize to our next club meeting.



We had some generous donations to the raffle pool at last month's meeting, and I gave away the first of a handful of models. This month I plan to include a House of Balsa "Schoolyard Scale" Super Decathlon kit. With a 47" wingspan, it is intended for a .061 to .10 glow and it would be a good candidate for an electric conversion as well. Bring your friends, bring your build projects to show off, bring a favorite treat to share. It should be a great gathering, so see you there.

Ryan Kontak

A LOOK BACK

NOVEMBER 2004

18 YEARS AGO

Da Prez lamented about the 6 airplane projects in his shop that are in various states of construction. Attention Deficit Disorder or lust ?

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A couple of pilots braved the cold, but snow free field. Unfortunately, the grass area is as hard as the runway.

New Board members Al Spearbecker and Dan Stahn took their president & VP positions.

A photo was published showing the preflight condition of a very large B-52 bomber with 8 turbines at \$3K each. Two photos showed the aftermath of the first flight crash and fire.

NOVEMBER 1994

28 YEARS AGO

Events for '95 were discussed, with the Pattern Contest being the first victim. Fun Scale will hang on. The possibility of combat, and a "Run What Ya Brung" pylon race are up for discussion.

A group named Sport Flyers was vying to compete with the AMA. In the December 1994 issue Radio Control Modeler, Sport flyers ran an ad that pointed out the AMA's insurance shortcomings, in particular site owner coverage. Sport Flyers was never able to make a "go" of it, however it prompted the AMA to increase coverage from \$250K to today's \$2M.

Tim Karash

ACRC MINUTES

Membership Report:

78 members for 2022. 12 Members have signed up for 2023

Treasurer's Report:

Income: \$272.00
Expenses: \$820.13

Safety Officer Report:

Current officer, Brett Ohnstad, did not renew his ACRC membership for 2022, therefore, it disqualifies him as a Board member. Jeff Flander has volunteered to take over as Safety Officer for next year. Jeff Slater made a motion to accept Jeff Flander's offer. 2nd by Tim Karash. Motion carried.

Event Coordinator:

The Wright Flyers Club will hold a Float-Fly in Orono sometime in May 2023. Actual date TBD. St Paul R/C is planning a Float-Fly as well.

Training Report:

Training has ended for the season.

Old Business:

Jeff Slater & Karl Johnson have graded and seeded the east ditch area that was repaired earlier this year. Jeff was able to score a good price on grass seed.

The three field windsocks are in need of replacement. The AMA has them priced at \$90 for the large center unit, \$70 each for the smaller end size. Jeff Slater has found genuine airfield socks for considerably less.

New Business:

Tim Karash is looking into club logo stickers.

Jeff Slater is pursuing possible indoor winter flying at the College of Saint Benedict, located west of St Cloud.

Rob Martinson and Scott Oleson, each generously donated 2 kits for raffles.

Show and Tell:

Ryan Kontak brought a RCGF 30cc twin gas motor that he will be mounting on a huge Stick project. It will be his first foray into gas power.

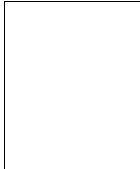
Ryan also brought a F18 from 6 Millimeter R/C (no longer in business). The "foamie" has converted to twin 50mm EDF in place of a single pusher. It is a work in progress, hopefully flying next summer.

Jeff Slater brought a set of floats built by Dan O'Link nearly twenty years ago. Dan spent a day documenting a full scale set, then he made drawings on a CAD program. The floats have more than 4700 simulated rivets, airfoil shaped spreader bars, and cable operated water rudders that also retract.

Raffle:

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| 1) Prop balancer | Todd Holms |
| 2) Epoxy cups | Neil Olson |
| 3) "Roach clips" forceps | Marc Tellevik |
| 4) Tweezers | Duane Orson |
| 5) CA glue | Ryan Kontak |
| 6) #11 Blades | Tim Karash |
| 7) Bob Martin EZ trainer 50 | Jeff Slater |

Tim Karash



CALENDAR INFO

The Holidays are upon us once again. Our delightful Weatheguide calendars make wonderful Christmas gifts for those people on your list.

The cost of repaving our runway may seem insurmountable, but if we keep chipping away at it, we can get it done. Even one sale adds funds to the repaving project.

I will have calendars available at the December meeting, just in time for Christmas.

Tim Karash



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