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THE AUGUST 20TH MEETING IS AT THE FIELD!!

PRESIDENT'S CHATTER

SECOND CHANCES

Many of our members know that I am always up for buying, selling, trading and sometimes giving away R/C planes and collections. I call it giving R/C items a second chance to give some enjoyment to another RC'er. (Furthering the hobby) Recently I tried to clean out my shop by bringing some of these things to a meeting and setting up give aways, dollar table, and selling a few items.

Some things I couldn't even give away so I left them in the pavilion hoping someone would either pick them up or dispose of them.

Well guess what? To my delight some spare wings, plane stands and other misc. things started disappearing. There were a couple of the planes that had some inartful repairs done to them making them rather undesirable. Not for one of our members! Sherwood felt there may be an extra second chance and took them home and to my surprise he sent me a picture of his re-build that looks like a new plane. We may be seeing it as a raffle prize soon.

Thank you, Sherwood. It is always sad to see R/C items find their way to the trash.

Jeff Slater



Sherwood's handiwork



FROM THE VEEP

A contribution from the VEEP was absent this month.

John DeVries

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Our head count for the end of July is 112. This includes one new adult member, Mike Welch, North Branch.



We have added 4 new members in August as well. Their details will be in next month's report.

I have sent several emails to adult members who have paid for additional Family Membership. I still have eight junior members that I have not been able to verify are AMA members. If you have not sent me that information on your Family Members, please do so before flying with them.

Remember, the Wednesday morning get together will be at the field from now through the end of the flying season. See you out there.

Earl Hendricks

EVENT COORDINATOR

Here we are mid-August and only 1 event remains for ACRC in 2026. The fall flyout will be held Oct 3rd with a pilot's meeting at 9:30am. I have not decided on the menu yet so if you have ideas I'd love to hear them. Otherwise more to follow in the Sept newsletter. It's been an excellent season and I look forward to seeing you all there.

Mike Reinert

A LOOK BACK

AUGUST 2008

18 YEARS AGO

Following considerable discussion at previous monthly meetings, Al Spearbecker has resigned as president. VP Erik Castrodale has moved up to fill the presidential spot on the board. Dan Thiede volunteered to fill the VP board position.

A big welcome to the 10 new members this month.

A reminder (that I hope will never be needed) the closest medical facility is the Fairview U of M hospital in Wyoming.

The distance may seem farther than other locations, however the lack of traffic congestion reduces travel time.

Prez Erik gave a rundown on the new and improved ACRC website.

The July Fun-Fly had 14 pilots participating.

The Scale Masters event will be held on August 2nd

An all-electric Fly-In will be held on August 21st. Kevin Carlson to CD.

AUGUST 1998

28 YEARS AGO

While on vacation, John Shenton visited Schaefer's Hobby store in St Louis MO. John was able to sweet talk them out of a kit and a stack of balsa wood for ACRC raffle prizes.

A different type of safety fence was erected with several walk-through openings.

Prez Mark Dubay reminded everyone to clean up after themselves.

Noise from our engines is becoming an issue with non-modelers living near flying sites. All members are reminded to have your engines well muffled.

The Bob Arko Fun Scale event had 9 pilots participating.

14 pilots flew at the Don McGillivray Float Fly. Five flights didn't end as planned for various reasons.

Speaking of Don McGillivray, he will be the CD at our first all-Electric Fly-In on August 29th, 1998

Five members brought a variety of aircraft for Show & Tell.

Tim Karash

ACRC MINUTES

Due to the extreme heat, the July 2026 Membership Meeting was postponed to the following Saturday, July 18th.

The only item up for discussion was a proposal for a Fall Float-Fly in conjunction with the Wright County Flyers Airplane Club. As of today's date, the Wright Flyers have not responded.

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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday – August 20

- ACRC Meeting-At the Field

Thursday – September 17

- ACRC Meeting-RCB

Saturday – October 3

- ACRC Meeting-At the Field

Thursday – October 15

- ACRC Meeting-RCB

Meetings are held at 7:00 pm

At the Field – May thru August

At RCB – September thru April

RCB – Riverwind Community Building

