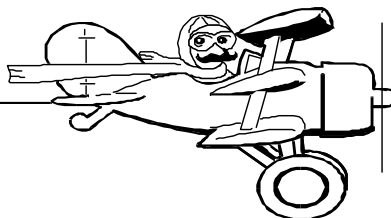


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MARCH MEETING AT THE MOOSE LODGE

Our next meeting will be in March. Thursday, March 14th at 7:00 PM. 75 Washington St, North Tonawanda. There is important club business on the agenda and you'll want to attend.

By-law number 9:

"Dues and assessments:

The annual dues and/or assessments to be paid to the club shall be determined by the club officers with a two-thirds (2/3) majority approval vote of the members present at the regular monthly meeting, and the members have been given five (5) days prior notice with an explanation. Dues are non-refundable. Dues are to be paid no later than the January club meeting.

Amended by a majority vote 01/15/09 - as of January 15, 2009, dues were set at fifty dollars (\$50.00). Dues will be twenty five dollars (\$25.00) for members who join after August 1. For A member joining after October first, dues will be fifty dollars (\$50.00) and membership will run until the end of the next year. Dues for Children/Grand Children of current members will be one dollar (\$1.00). Initiation fees are set at ten dollars (\$10.00) and will be the same for all members."

We will be discussing and voting on a dues increase which would take effect for anyone new or unpaid by the end of March of this year.

Explanation:

Our current dues structure has been in place since 2009. Costs have increased substantially since then. Our membership has also been declining as well as members not renewing in a timely manner or informing us that they do not intend to renew. This is making it difficult to budget responsibly.

** Please remember if you are not current with your dues and/or AMA membership you are not to be using the field.



INDOOR FLYING

Correction: In an e-mail to the membership dated 1/31, I credited Wing & Rotor with the reminder about an indoor flying opportunity at the North Amherst Recreation Center. It actually came from the Brookfield RC Flying Club. I apologize for any confusion this may have caused.

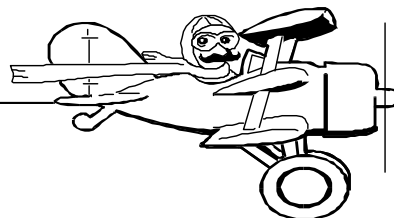


REMOTE ID

From the AMA 1/17/2024 - As a reminder, the FAA will be ending its Discretionary Enforcement Policy for Remote ID compliance on March 16, 2024. Radio-controlled operators must then comply with Remote ID requirements through Standard Remote ID, use of a broadcast module, or by flying at a FRIA site. FAA has stated that it will not further extend the deadline. Our field is an FRIA site.



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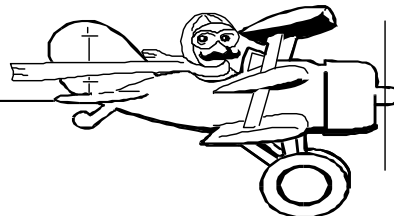
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HOLIDAY PARTY AND CHINESE AUCTION

Our January holiday party and Chinese Auction were a lot of fun and a big success. The club received \$240.00 in auction proceeds. Special thanks to the members that brought the food as well as donations for the auction. We certainly missed those members who were unable to attend due to illness. Several members who weren't there still participated by donating planes for the auction. We'll have to do this again.



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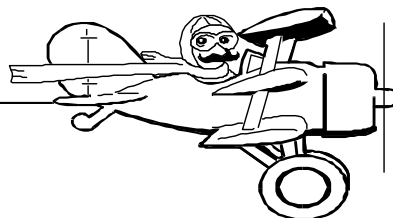
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BRAUERS RULES

As we get closer to being able to use the field again and go flying I thought it would be a good idea to remind everyone of the Field Rules.

Field Rules



- All Fliers must have a current AMA membership and observe the AMA safety code.
- A maximum of 4 aircraft in the air at one time. NOTE: pilots may stay in the air only 15 minutes if someone is waiting to fly. Flying will be done in an established flight pattern or, a split of the airspace (when mutually agreed upon by all pilots).
- Only 1 person is allowed at each flight station during a flight, with the exceptions of a spotter, flight training or requested assistance. Only AMA Members beyond spectator area, except for spotting purposes or training.
- Drive slowly and only on the road. Do not drive through the fields. Park only in the designated area.
- If any flier is challenged, be it for noise or unsafe flying, by a club member, the flier is required to stop flying. A meeting can be set up with the Field/Safety Committee at a later date to settle the dispute/challenge.
- There will be no powered flight before 8 AM Monday thru Saturday, and 10 AM on Sundays.
- No flying after sunset – all members must leave the property at sunset.
- No flying over pit, spectator, parking area, or south of field. No flying towards the PIT AREA between the ends of the runway.
- No aircraft flight is permitted more than 300ft east or 700ft north of mid-field center lines.
- The pilot of any aircraft venturing beyond this control zone is required to throttle back his engine before his aircraft wanders out of sight.
- Aircraft are not to exceed 400ft altitude.
- It is recommended to never fly alone. An observer should be present to watch for full scale aircrafts "right of way".
- Beginners must qualify with an experienced instructor before attempting to solo.
- Pilots must place their Brauer's Membership or AMA card on the frequency board under the proper frequency number. Those flying 2.4 or ham frequencies are to use frequency numbers 1 - 10.
- Pilots will range check and inspect their equipment prior to the first flight of the day.
- Aircraft will be started in the pit area in front of the spectators and behind the flight stations. Aircraft will face the runway while being started and will be restrained.
- Aircraft are NOT to be taxied into the pit area.
- All flying from flight stations only. No flying from the field runways.
- No restarting of engines on the field. All restarts must be made in the pits. All takeoffs and landings should be in the same direction and from the ends of the runways. Landing aircraft take precedence over aircraft taking off. Dead-stick approaches have absolute priority over all other aircraft operations. Pilot must verbally announce intent of all landings especially a dead-stick landing – loud and clear.
- Members using Lithium batteries or with gasoline engines must have a fire extinguisher handy and also use a fireproof charging container when charging lithium batteries
- Mufflers are required on all engines .10 and larger in order to comply with field noise standards (90db at 9ft on ground).
- When multiple pilots are at the field, exclusive flight time is not allowed, without permission from all the pilots at the field. This will allow ALL pilots to get in as much flight time as possible.
- All maneuvers shall be performed north of the center of the runway.
- Aircraft can be operated from the flight line as long as they fit into the flight pattern.
- No hovering or 3D (fixed wing or helicopter) while field is being used by other pilots.
- Extreme 3D (HIGH G) maneuvers are strictly prohibited at all times.
- No hovering/takeoff/landing in pits.
- When other aircraft are landing/taking off, other aircraft must exit the runway flight path.

Please cooperate in observing the above rules.
Think Safety, Talk Safety, Fly Safely "The site you save may be yours"

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