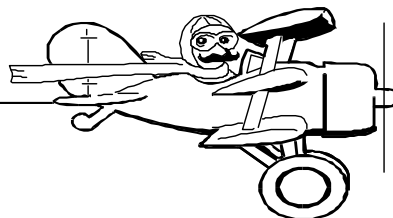


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MARCH MEETING AT THE MOOSE LODGE

Our next meeting will be 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.



NEW HOBBY SHOP IN NEWFANE

News from Clarence Ragland - Did you know that a new hobby shop has opened in Newfane? I almost had him interested in getting into RC aeromodelling, but he thinks that there is no interest in RC airplanes. He talked to a couple of people who convinced him that he wouldn't get any RC aeromodelling business.

I told him that he could start small with glue, balsa wood, lipo batteries, small electric airplanes, etc. Advertising RC airplanes on his website would help.

What do you think of emailing him or even visiting his store and letting him know about the club and the number of members who would shop in his store?

Take care,
Clarence

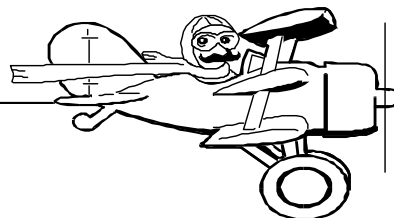
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GLENN TOPOLSKI'S PRIVATE FLYING FIELD

It's not really just for him but from talking to him and these pictures you can see that he mostly has it all to himself. Now we know why he moved to South Carolina. To fly on a sod farm. A little more than four square miles of flying field that is maintained by someone else. I'm slightly jealous...

Glenn has always been known for his precision landings. He assures me that even with all this extra room, he's still keeping his skills sharp. The 1st Saturday of every month the field is also used for model rockets. Be sure to ask Glenn about it when we see him at our "tiny" field this summer.

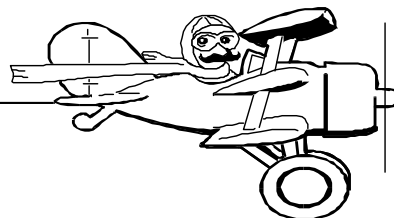


RC AIRCRAFTERS AUCTION

Mark your calendars. April 7th, 2024 is the R/C Air-Crafters annual auction. Doors open at 10 am, Auction starts @ Noon. Door Prizes, 50/50, Raffles, Refreshments. Admission \$8, Ladies & Children under 12-FREE. Grand-Prize E-Flight Commander mPd 1.4m BNF Basic with AS3X and SAFE Select. Ismailia Shrine Center 1600 Southwestern Blvd, Buffalo, NY.



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\$600 TO THE CLUB TREASURY

Because of the generosity of our club members, we've added \$600 to our bank account. \$240 from the Chinese auction and \$360 from selling other donated RC related materials. Thank you again to all who donated and made purchases to support our club!



GREG GEE IS AT IT AGAIN

Greg's Top Flite Contender. Just finished. He converted it to electric, covered it in polyspan and painted it with Rustoleum. Finished off with graphics he designed and made.



A CLUB IN TROUBLE

Hello - I am reaching out to you with a special request. Our model airplane club, Hampshire County Radio Controllers (HCRC), is losing our flying field in Hadley, MA. after 60+ years in existence at this location effective 12/31/23. We are fortunate to be able to lease 5 acres of property next door for 2 years with the plans to purchase it. Our Club has started a Go Fund Me fundraiser to achieve this goal. I am humbly requesting your financial assistance in donating to our cause. More details of our situation and goals can be obtained on the fundraiser page located at:

https://www.gofundme.com/f/model-airplane-club-losing-flying-field?utm_medium=copy_link_all&utm_source=customer&utm_campaign=p_cp%2Bshare-sheet

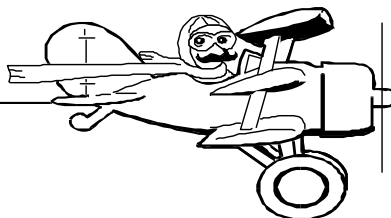
Any amount you can donate will help significantly. I want to thank you in advance for any assistance you can provide. THANK YOU!

Shawn Kelsey

HCRC Member



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RC AIRCRAFT SCALE BUILDING SEMINAR



Mid-Hudson
Radio Control Society

and



National Association of Scale Aeromodelers

RC Aircraft Scale Building Seminar

Saturday March 23, 2024

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM (with lunch break)

Poughkeepsie United Methodist Recreation Hall
2381 New Hackensack Road (RT. 376) Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

Join us for an interactive forum of motivational demonstrations and discussions.

Topics include:

- Building with metal. Design and fabrication -Soldering and brazing.
- Custom Fuel tanks
- Balancing large aircraft using scales
- Fabric finishing techniques and materials.
- Spektrum transmitter programming for scale flight
- Open discussion



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