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# SERVO CHATTER

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***THE MEETING WILL BE THURSDAY, JULY 19, AT THE FIELD!!***

## PRESIDENT'S CHATTER

Just a reminder about flying when the sod farm workers are in the fields. Do not fly over or near them. Be mindful of the workers in the fields; be safe, fly in an area where they are not working.

Our next meeting is July 19 with the fun fly on the 21st. Another reminder; the field is closed to open flying until after the fun fly competition has ended.

Virgil Okeson

## FROM THE VEEP

We are half way to fall already! I have had some great flying time this year and hope you all have too.

I am proposing an electric fly-in open to all AMA members. I am thinking September 8 from sun up until 3:00 pm. Then open the field to all flying.

We can discuss this at the July meeting and then I will make up flyers to post at hobby stores and in our newsletter in August.

I am still working on leveling the grass runway and fall seeding.

Smooth landings

Jeff Slater



## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

The July meeting is at the field starting at 7:00PM. If you get there early you can get in some flying before the meeting. The board also tries to make the meetings short so that you can fly afterwards. Remember that you should be using your current membership card to mark your channel and guests should be using their AMA card to verify their AMA membership. If you need a new membership card let me know. I can send you a new card – no charge.

Because of a recent By-Laws change nominations for the ACRC Board now take place at the May and June meetings with the election at the July meeting. The four members whose terms end this year are Tom LaRose, Brett Ohnstad, Bob Proulx and Mark Tellevik. At least four nominees are needed to fill the available positions. Tom, Brett and Marc have agreed to stay on the board for another term but we need another nominee to take Bob Proulx's position. A vote to accept these nominations will be held at the July meeting.

## RULE REMINDER

11. ALL AIRCRAFT MUST BE STARTED FACING THE RUNWAY. High RPM run-ups will not be made in the pits. The pits are defined as the west half of the area between the spectator area and the fence. The aircraft should be moved to the area between the pits and the fence for high RPM run-ups and needle valve adjustments. Run-ups are prohibited directly behind pilots.

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POWERED MODELS MUST BE RESTRAINED IN SOME WAY, EITHER BY A HELPER OR MECHANICALLY.  
Updated (3/20/14)

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE AT THE FIELD ON JULY 19 AT 7:00 PM.

There will be a Fun-Fly on Saturday July 21.

Stan Zdon

## A Look Back

### JULY 2000

18 Years Ago

President Mark Felland has been experimenting with engines on his 20-size Sportster. A 26 Surpass, an OS 30, nor a OS 25 Max satisfied his flying "tastes". Being an adventurous sort, Mark decided to chop the nose off and bolt on an OS 30 size Wankel rotary engine. He is also planning on mounting a 40-size diesel to his Mid-Star 40, however, this is where the story ends. No flight tests were included in his article. To be continued.

Page upon page was filled with event reports, ranging from the Fun-Fly, the Bob Arko Memorial Fun Scale, and an overdue Spring Fly-In update. All were successful with many participants. As a bonus, 3 more upcoming ACRC events plus a SPRC Pattern contest were listed.

### JULY 1990

28 Years Ago

The newsletter starts off with a minor Faux Pas. We all curse the Auto-fill feature on our Smartphones or computer from time to time, but this month's president's column got "Autofilled" with last month's article. Unfortunately, it wasn't noticed until after printing, so a filler page with the correct article and additional information was created. Fun-Fly, Pattern, and Scale contest results showed lots of participation. Even a Giant Scale Fun-Fly was scheduled for later in the month.

Jeff Slater's Who's Who column put himself and Justin Ernst under the spotlight.

Tim Karash

## SECRETARY MUSINGS

For July, I've a new in box (NIB to you internet junkies) OS 32 motor. It's the ball bearing model with a 2-needle carb. Plus several other really nice prizes up for grabs. In addition, I'm going to preview August's big prize. No details or description now, just suffice to say, it's something every modeler could use, but probably wouldn't splurge on it. You will just have to show up at the July meeting to find out. Show up and support your club.

### THAT'S NOT MY JOB!!!

This is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody.

There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about it because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.

Tim Karash

## ACRC MINUTES

Board Members present:

Virgil Okeson, Stan Zdon, Bob Proulx, Tom LaRose, Jeff Slater, Marc Tellevik, Tim Karash

17 Members present Guest - Jeremy Schaefer

### Treasurer's Report:

Income: \$540.00

Expenses: \$321.39

### Membership Report:

105 Current members

### Training Update:

Nine people are in the training program now, 2 are club members and 2 are in the Introduction Pilot Program.

(Secretary note: these numbers do not align with last month's report)

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**Events:**

Pattern Contest results: Unfortunately, only 8 pilots participated, none from ACRC. No intermediate class participants.

The Board will discuss several options to increase participation

**Safety Report:**

No issues to date

**Old Business:**

The Grass Runway area has been rolled out. Jeff Slater has fill and seed waiting for improved climate conditions and contractor coordination. It is possible that it may need to wait until fall or next spring.

**New Business:**

Spectators had trouble locating the field from Facebook and Google Maps. The incorrect city listing has been corrected.

**Show and Tell:** None

**Raffle:**

1st	Jeff Slater	Pop up tent
2nd	Jeremy Schaefer	Screwdriver set
3rd	Ed Belmore	Slo Poke kit
4th	Lucky LaRose	Dremel twist lock set

Gift Certificates:

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Ed Belmore

**Board Minutes:**

Virgil Okeson, Tim Karash, Marc Tellevik, Brett Ohnstad, Stan Zdon, Bob Proulx, Tom LaRose.

Marc Tellevik has made multiple improvements to the ACRC website. This will aid access to club information.

Several options for next year's pattern contest were discussed, including date change and adding a AMA Club Contest class. The issue was tabled.

Tim Karash

# ACRC INSTRUCTION

Wednesday training is going well. We have a total of 10 training at this time. All but two are current ACRC club members.

A special thank you to Neil Olson for his donated SIG LT-40 Trainer.

Also thank you to all those that have stepped up and donated planes, parts, engines etc. to the 2018 flight training program.

Don't forget the time donated by the flight instructors that bring the program all together.

**PREFLIGHT:**

Let's not forget to run a preflight before taking to the air. It's like flight insurance!

Landing gear secure to fuselage.

Motor secure to fuselage.

Prop secure to shaft.

Motor connections secure.

ESC connected to receiver.

Are servos tight and connected to receiver?

Is rudder secured to fuselage?

Is elevator secured to fuselage?

Are ailerons secured to wing?

Is main wing secured properly and evenly to fuselage?

Visually check for anything loose on any control surfaces.

Are all electronics secured?

Are wind conditions favorable for flight?

**Aircraft receiver batteries charged (gas or glow engines)?**

**Aircraft flight batteries charged (electric planes)?**

**Transmitter batteries charged?**

**Batteries Connected?**

Check rudder control for correct deflection.

Check elevator control for correct deflection.

Check ailerons control for correct deflection.

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Do a preflight range check 90 feet at low transmitter output.

Fly Safely & Land Happy!

Tom La Rose

## ACRC SAFETY

Does your airplane, helicopter, quad copter, sailplane, paper airplane, Frisbee or whatever you fly have the proper identification required by the AMA to be covered for insurance for flying at the club field? It doesn't take much effort to make sure that you are covered. Yet, how many of us don't even bother.

At last years pattern contest I mentioned this obvious rule from the AMA. I thought that I would have been "preaching to the choir" on that one. I was truly surprised when several pilots came forward to borrow my label maker to make sure that they were in compliance with regulations.

Another thing that surprises me that it is overlooked at the club. It is easy to put your ID on

your plane. Take the return address label off of your AMA magazine and tape it on to the flight battery or other internal part of the airplane. Not only will you be in compliance but it also may help you retrieve a lost airplane.

My dad built a P-51 some 25 years ago. It has never been flown but he did a clever bit of hiding some identification on the airplane. He put his phone number on the side of the airplane as the serial number for the airplane right on the tail. He wasn't a member of a club so it was not about identification for insurance purposes but I think he was being proactive to recover a lost model.

I hope that our instructors are passing this information on to the new pilots and I hope that our new pilots are furthering this information to any holdouts.

If anyone else has a clever idea about placing their information on an airplane I would love to hear about it. And, no, you don't need to identify and license your Frisbee, unless if course it has FPV.

Brett Ohnstad

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### CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday – July 19

•ACRC Meeting-At field

Saturday – July 21

•ACRC Fun Fly #2

Thursday – August 16

•ACRC Meeting-At field

Saturday – August 18

•ACRC Fun Fly #3

Thursday – September 20

•ACRC Meeting-At field

Saturday – September 22

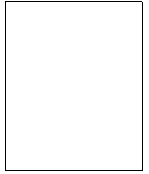
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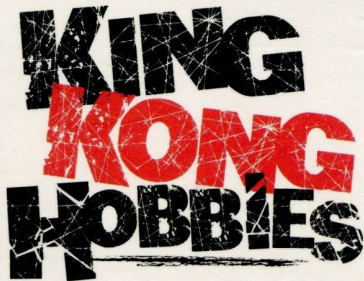
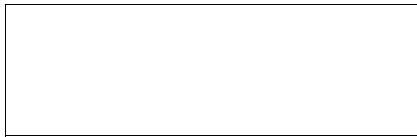


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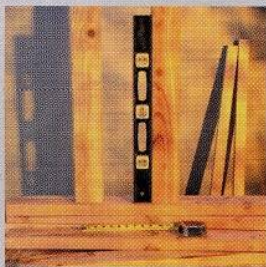
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