



The President's Corner

by Mickey Breunig, President



Not much flying going on this time of year but there is still a lot happening.

I made it to the swap meet in Dayton this weekend and saw several of the people I know from Ohio as well as that many more from here in Central Kentucky that I didn't expect to see. With no intent on buying any airplane, I still found one I couldn't leave without. There are still a few shows left this year. Check in the back of your Model Aviation magazine for a schedule of swap meets and shows.

The Location of the meeting may be changing for the next few months but the dates will always be the second Thursday of the month. The next meeting is Thursday, February 13 at 7 pm.

Hope to see you there.

Michael Breunig

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Treasurer's Report

by Carroll Ware, Treasurer



Dues information and forms, click on this link

<http://www.lmacky.org/membership.html>

107 Paid Members

Future Airfield Maintenance Accrual Account .

\$0.00 Money went to Runway Repair

Educational Savings Account Balance.

\$622.14

Funds provided by the Lex. City Council for use in

Fayette County School programs.



No Treasurers Report Submitted at the Time of Newsletter Publishing.

Next Meeting Site Change Take Note

Next LMAC Club Meeting:

Thursday, February 13, at 7:00 PM

Meeting Location:

Lexington Public Library Bates Creek Branch

3628 Waldon Drive

Lexington, KY

Visitors are Welcome !!



Minutes of January 9, 2020 Meeting

By George Kissick, Secretary

The meeting of the LMAC club was called to order by Mickey Breunig on January 9, 2020 at 7:05 p.m. There were 11 members present. The January meeting was held at the north side library on Russell Cave Road because of scheduling conflicts with Morning Pointe Senior Center. The location of future meetings will be posted in the newsletter and in emails. Summer meetings will be held at the LMAC field.

The February meeting is scheduled on:

Thursday, February 13, 2020, 7:00pm

Meeting Location:

**Lexington Public Library, Tate's Creek Branch
3628 Walden Drive, Lexington Ky 40517**

A treasurers report will be available for the February meeting to include the budget for 2020, expenses and income since the last meeting. The meeting minutes were approved by the members present.

There were no reports from safety, training, senior advisor.

Old business included further discussion introduced by Dan Thompson on the EAA Youth Eagles Program. Camp participants explore aviation through technical and learning classrooms as well as hands-on experiences from knowledgeable instructors and mentors. They'll gain life skills to apply in everyday life and discover the unlimited opportunities a career in aviation presents. An organizational meeting will be held on the fourth Sunday of January at the Cynthiana airport. Volunteers are needed to help with a model airplane build when the program starts. Gale Moore discussed the opportunity to have an information meeting at a future date on the FAA ruling on flying space of remote controlled airplanes. The subject and time of the discussion will be discussed in the February meeting. Additional discussion was introduced by Dan Thompson on the hotspot/ remote cameras at the LMAC field. The cost will be \$21.66 per month. A motion to approve the remote cameras was made by Mickey Breunig and seconded by Gale Moore. The motion was passed by the members present.

New business included the discussion of the Numb Thumbs Fly-in on New Years day. The event was a success with 31 flyers in attendance. Thanks to Mickey, Matt Hanson and his family for the chili and hot dogs. Also thanks to Jim Jackson on Homemade Ice Cream.

Gale Moore suggested that as FAA changes are made, the membership needs to be informed in the monthly meetings.

Additional flyin events were discussed to increase participation. Further discussions will be needed to determine the type and dates of the events. A memorial fly in was discussed to honor past members whose planes are in the hands of pilots in the club. Curtis Adams will be heading up the effort to advertise the flyin events on Facebook. A motion to adjourn was made by Mickey Breunig, seconded by Sylvester Hall and approved by the attending membership. The meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Blast from the Past

by David J. Price



This series of articles will present advertisements from vintage modeling magazines. The intent is to illustrate technological advances that have taken place in our hobby. For some it will bring back memories, for newcomers it will present a piece of history of radio control model aviation.

Here is an advertisement from the February 1978 issue of Flying Models for Pactra brand balsa wood, Aero Gloss dope, and Solarfilm. The best part about Solarfilm was that with its low temperature adhesive you could cover foam. I never tried painting an entire airplane with dope and mainly used Aero Gloss to fuel-proof engine/tank sections of my airplanes. It may have slipped my mind, but I didn't realize that Pactra also carried balsa wood. In the late 80's, Pactra Industries was bought out by Testors Paints.

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- CONTEST GRADE ONLY

The finest available in the world. We have personally selected our BALSAWOOD from only the finest growers in Ecuador. When we mill our Balsa each piece is hand selected—and only those pieces passing our rigid inspection are sold as PREMIUM BALSA WOOD. This means that any one of the 125 different sizes you choose to build your flying machine with is precision cut to exact measure . . . and double sanded to insure you of "Contest Quality" Balsa. Available in SHEETS • STICKS • BLOCKS • PLANKS • DOWELS • LEADING & TRAILING EDGES • PLUS 5-PLY BIRCH. Try it . . . and you'll know why the winners prefer it!!

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FAA RID NPRM - Info, Discussion and More

Here are ways we can work together as a hobby to modify this NPRM.

Article By [Jim T. Graham](#) | 02-04-2020, 12:14 PM



The Notice of Proposed Rule Making and Remote ID - Info, Action and More

The whole NPRM about remote ID is more than a little confusing and something that all RC hobbyists should be aware of. There are extensive threads about this topic on all of our sites but I thought I would try to pull as much together as I could in this thread to increase awareness and link to informational pieces that might help us all better understand not only what is being proposed, but what our options are to take a stand against the ruling...or at least help shape it into something that is RC friendly.

While I understand the FAA feels the need to control the airspace, I can't understand why traditional RC aircraft would fall into the same category as drones that are flown miles away from the pilot. I love FPV (first-person-video) and would be understanding of some limitations on that but lumping the whole hobby into this has to come from a lack of understanding.

One question is - has the FAA set an "internal limit" for FRIA's at 2000 clubs? The budget numbers shown reflect that. Is that negotiable? If all the current people who fly on personal property start an AMA club (and AMA is the CBO), the number of clubs could probably double, or greater. Is that an option for FAA? They have complete control to authorize locations. But if we think ahead, and start a campaign to create more flying fields and the FAA goes along it could alleviate a lot of pressure for the next couple of decades.

Dave Baron Thoughts

I want to thank you for the great work that you and your team at RC Groups is doing for our hobby!!!! Let's get the word out to the masses, we need to seriously ramp up the letters to the FAA!

- All AMA members and drone enthusiasts need to make their voice hear to the FAA prior to the March 2nd deadline. (Many of us are sending more than one comment to this portal, when we think of a new concern we want to voice!) The bottom line is- BE VOCAL!! <http://amablog.modelaircraft.org/ama...formal-comment>
- The second most important thing to do is to contact your Congressional representatives- letters to the house and senate! Let them know your liberties are being trampled by a government agency. Be clear, accurate, and most of all refer to the FAA's RID clearly and accurately, so that they don't go looking in the wrong direction or reference the wrong problem! NPRM
- Support, (GIVE \$\$\$) to the Model Aviation PAC! This is going to fund elected officials now and upcoming who will champion our concerns. Congress holds the purse strings to the FAA, they can make a difference to the future of modeling! modelaviationpac.com
- Call your fellow modelers, and make sure that they are sending out the emails and letter also! We may not have the money of Amazon and other corporations that want us out of the airspace, but we do have hundreds of thousands of voices that can be put to the task of fighting back!

Here are some thoughts from Aloft Hobbies recent newsletter:

Hey, why are all of the major aviation associations siding with the RC Model Hobby?

Because they know the majority of their members started right here in the hobby, and many are still very active. Maybe the FAA just doesn't understand how much education comes from these models. Maybe they don't understand that the majority of pilots and aviation professionals started off flying RC planes? Maybe they don't care about STEM programs and the promise they have for the nation?

It isn't too late to fight this! We have some strong associations fighting for us but we need you more than anything! The FAA is very focused on National Security, it is not a Line Of Sight (LOS) vs First Person View (FPV) fight, or a hobbyist vs commercial fight like some initially thought. Congress wants the FAA to be able to identify our models to assess risk of an attack

The EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association) has a great track record of working with the FAA and getting big changes for the betterment of aviation. They know what works and what doesn't work, and they are suggesting:

"When you do comment (on this NPRM), please be respectful and use rational, fact-driven arguments in your own words. Form letters and emotional comments have much less impact on the regulatory process." Spend a little time and write your own message it does not need to be a long and wordy novel, do what seems right from your point of view. That is the best thing we can do at this time. And please consider sharing information about this subject with your friends and get them to send in some comments. If the FAA does not hear from us, then they will move forward and bulldoze this wonderful hobby.

RC modelers have been happily sharing the airspace for 70 years now and we have an excellent track record. We should not be turned into outlaws.

Remote ID

Remote ID is a way for the FAA to keep track of unmanned aircraft. This info is transmitted from a UAS, the FAA, law enforcement and the public may find out information from a UAS flying near them. In the current iteration of the rule, model aircraft are considered UAV's by the FAA and treated the same as drones. The info broadcasted will include your name and phone number. In theory that info is only available to the FAA and law enforcement. Your longitude and latitude will be broadcasted to the public.

Any RC aircraft that weighs between .55lbs and 55lbs, flown recreationally full under this proposed rule. as well as all RC aircraft und 55lbs flown commercially under part 107.

What is a FRIA

If your craft does not support remote ID you are limited to flying within the boundaries of an FAA recognized area or FRIA. A FRIA is an "FAA-recognized identification area". I read this to mean community-based organizations like the AMA. So the best-case scenario for pilots like me that fly out of an AMA field is that nothing would change.

Send Your Thoughts and Concern to Congress and The FAA

The best thing you can do for your hobby is to make your feelings known on this proposed rule and how it should be changed. The comment period is still open. A big way for us as RC hobbyists to make a difference is to reach out to your representatives and senators. If you contact them they will notice an increase in concern over the new proposed ruling. The AMA says that contact is not going unnoticed and it leads to more discussion on the rule.

March 2nd is the deadline for submitting your concerns.

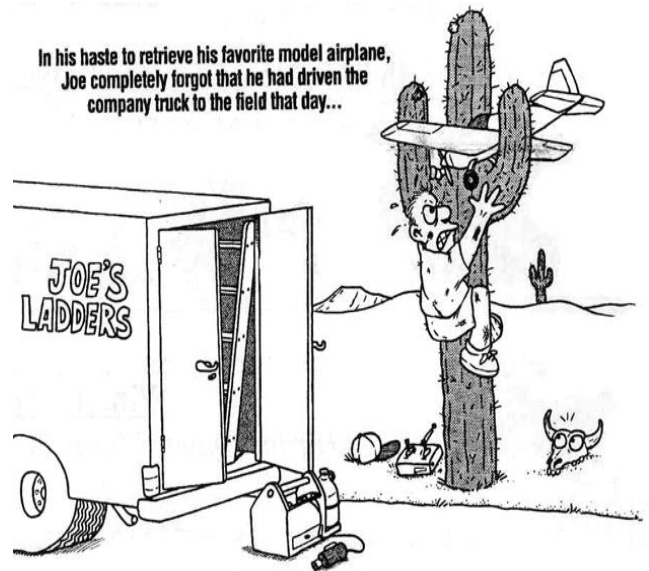
[Here is a great link with more information about this topic.](#)

How to Leave a Comment

The FAA has confirmed that every comment is counted, even if it's the same as the last 1,000 submitted. Your comment will be separated into a spreadsheet based on the concerns in the comment. Your comment isn't a vote. It is a way to let the FAA know you have an issue with the new proposed rule. Good data that is focused and unique is better but not required. I took the FAA's suggested comment and altered it to reflect my feelings and you can too.

[Here is a link with comment templates that you can submit.](#)

Cartoon Corner



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