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Next Meeting: Date: Wednesday, April 8

Time: 7 p.m. video, 7:30 meeting, EAA Building

What's In This Issue:

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The March 4th Video

The video featured some para gliders and also some great slope aerobatics.

The March Meeting

President, **Roger Wilfong**, noted that the time period for comments to the FAA was closed now, but the FAA had received over 50,000 comments on their comment site.

The FAA still has to go through all of the comments. The bottom line for us is that things still remain the same.

Roger also noted that you can still write your congress person and senators regarding the proposed FAA regulations.

The next order of business was the condition of the road into the flying field from the track, and what to do to fix it.

Ken Myers volunteered to go out to the flying field on Saturday, March 7 to look for other possible entrances from the track to the flying field.

Several members volunteered to go out with him and help.

If **Larry Markey** is back in town by next month's meeting, we are expecting him to talk about what is going on with the sailplane league, as it will be continued and anything else on his mind.

Our club's bank account has not yet been changed, as discussed and voted on at the last meeting, but it will be shortly.

Update on the Flying Field Entrance, March 7

Six members, Denny Sumner, Norm Peterson, Bill Brown, Jr., Arthur Deane, Ken Myers and Jim Ouillette walked the the entire field looking for a "better" way in.

At the flying field, they discussed the possibility of what needs to be done to "better" fix our current entrance now, and they did find one possible alternate route.

Nothing was finalized, as we'll need the land owner's approval to remove two

Helicopter Frequencies

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Sailplane Frequencies

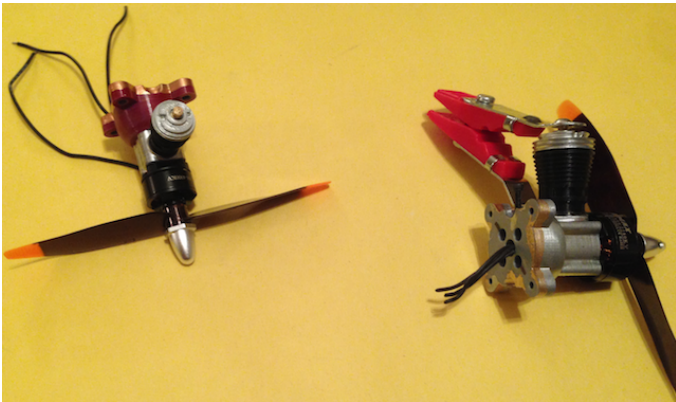
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more sections of fence for the proposed new route in.

If we decide to upgrade the existing route, we need the homeowner's approval to bring in gravel via our old entrance road.

The Show and Tell for March, 2020

Roger Wilfong showed several electric motor mounts, from Willy Nillies Hobby and Crafts, that give the impression of the electric motor being a Cox 049 and 020.



Note the 049 glow plug clip Roger added to improve the illusion.

<https://willynillies.com/shop?olsPage=products>

Denny Sumner also had a Willy Nillies' product to share.



His latest build is the Willy Nillies' Jr. Skylark 250.

<https://willynillies.com/shop?olsPage=products%2Fjr-falcon-250-beta-kit-pre-order-now-limited-quantities-available-shipping-3rd-week-of-december>

He did several modifications to the kit. The modifications include; a bolt on wing, a much larger hatch where the whole top comes off to get at everything, and a steerable nose wheel.

He covered his version with transparent white and red Ultracote along with some regular Ultracote.



The power system consists of a Willy Nillies' 020 and a 2S 500mAh LiPo.

Denny's version weighs 6.7 oz., ready to fly.



Ken Myers set up his venerable FMS SuperEZ trainer.

He turned the radio system on, checked the controls and then left the transmitter alone. One minute later, when no inputs were made on the transmitter, a beeping could be heard coming from the plane.

Ken was demonstrating the Apex RC Products "Lost Aircraft Alarm/Finder" #3000 from a two pack that he'd picked up on Amazon.

https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B01CN6TIJ2/ref=ppx_yo_dt_b_asin_title_o00_s00?ie=UTF8&psc=1

Several people noted that it could be louder, as Ken had it placed in the foam fuselage of the SuperEZ.

Ken also noted that it would only work as long as the main power battery was connected, but at least it was better than nothing.

2020 Skymasters R/C Club Indoor Flying/Driving at the Ultimate Soccer Arenas

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indoorfly@Skymasters.org
Or call Fred at 248-770-3239

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for Exact Times and Dates

Indoor Online registration is open at:
www.skymasters.org

Schedule:

MARCH: (Suspended Until Further Notice)

Tues. 17th

Tues. 24th

Tue. 31st

APRIL ? ? ?

Tues. 7th

Tues. 14th

Dates & Times Subject To Change.

Please note that a special area is set aside for electric RC Drivers. Did you note that Driving was added to the title?

Costs and dates are the same for drivers as fliers.

Indoor Flying at the Legacy Center in Brighton, MI

Start Date: Wednesday November 6

Time: 12 p.m.- 2 p.m.

Place: Legacy Center Sports Complex
9299 Goble Dr, Brighton, MI 48116

Cost: \$10 cost per session

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Website

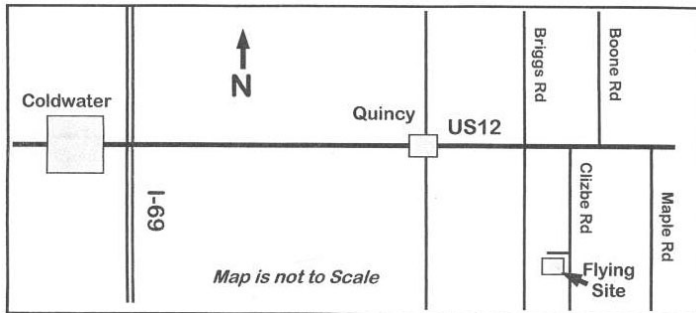
<http://hamburgflyers.org/forum/>

The Upcoming Keith Shaw Birthday Party Electric Fly-in 2020

The Balsa Butchers are hosting the "Keith Shaw Birthday Party Electric Fly-In", for the 18th year, at their field near Coldwater, MI. The event takes place on Saturday, May 30, 2020. It is a one day event again this year.

The event consists of Open Electric Flying with a "Special Guest of Honor Theme", Happy Birthday Keith Shaw [June 6].

Enjoy a day with the "Pioneering Master of Electric R/C Flight". 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Saturday. NO LANDING FEE! Donations for field maintenance and lunch appreciated.



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 Please e-mail or call with any questions.

The field will be open for guests to fly on Sunday as well.

36th Annual Mid-America Electric Flies 2020

AMA Sanctioned Event (Proof of AMA/MAAC membership required to fly)

Saturday, July 11 & Sunday, July 12, 2020

Hosted by the:

Ann Arbor Falcons and Electric Flyers Only

The 7 Mile Rd. Flying Site, Salem Twp., MI, is
 Provided by the:

Midwest R/C Society

Contest Directors are:

Ken Myers phone (248) 669-8124 or email
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 updates & info

Keith Shaw (734) 973-6309

Flying both days is at the Midwest R/C Society
 Flying Field - 7 Mile Rd., Salem Twp., MI

Registration: 9 A.M. Saturday

Event Flying from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. Sat. & 10 A.M.

Until You Leave Sunday

(Open Flying Saturday after the Event & All Day
 Sunday)

Pilot Landing Fee - 18 and over, \$10 for both days,
 Under 18, FREE (AMA/MAAC membership
 required)

No Parking Donation Will Be Requested from
 Spectators

Awards on Saturday Only

Best Scale

Most Beautiful

Best Mini-Electric

Best Multi-motor

Best Sport Plane

Foam Flurry for NCM aircraft
 CDs' Choice

Planes Must Fly To Be Considered for Any Award
 Plaques for winner in each category

The Field is Open for Open Flying All Day Friday
 and Night Flying Possible, Weather Permitting,
 Friday & Saturday Nights

Field Lunch (hot dogs, chips, water or pop) Available
 on Saturday

Burgers, Brats and Potluck on Saturday evening for
 Pilots & Their Guests

Come and join us for two days of fun and relaxed
 electric flying.

The NCM (Not Conventional Materials) Event

Traditionally, model aircraft airframes have been
 mostly constructed from balsa wood, plywood,
 spruce, and fiberglass. For the purposes of this meet,
 NCM airframes are mostly constructed from not
 conventional materials i.e.; sheet foam, foam board,
 cardboard, block foam, foam insulation material, etc.

Foam Flurry for NCM aircraft: This is a true
 event. It is based upon the all up/last down event of
 early electric meets. Any NCM aircraft may be used
 (no ARF types). Power systems are limited to a
 maximum of 3S (no paralleling) LiPo batteries or 4S
 maximum, no paralleling, for A123 packs. All planes
 qualifying for this event will launch at the same time,
 and the last one to land will be declared the winner.

Toledo RC Expo Cancelled

Due to health concerns, the 2020 Toledo RC Expo
 had been cancelled for this year.

To change your email address contact Ken Myers at kmyersefo@mac.com

The 2020 membership application is available at the club Web site,
<http://www.midwestrcsociety.org>,
for downloading with the link on the homepage.

Upcoming Events:

Oct. 29 - Apr 14, mostly Tuesdays, Indoor Flying at the Ultimate Soccer Arenas (details in this issue)

November 6 and on:

Indoor flying at the Legacy Center in Brighton, MI, (details in this issue)

April ?, Wednesday, Midwest RC Society Monthly meeting, 7:30 p.m. meeting, EAA Building Mettetal Airport, everyone with an interest is welcome

May 30, Saturday, Keith Shaw Birthday Party Electric Fly-in 2020 (details in this issue)

July 11 & 12, Saturday and Sunday, 36th Annual Mid-America Electric Flies, AKA the Mid-Am. More details to be published soon.

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