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**Next Meeting: Date:** Aug. 5, 2020

**Time:** 6 p.m. **Place:** 7 Mi. Rd. Flying Field

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## The July 2020 Midwest Flying Meeting

Wednesday, July 1 was a HOT one!

The temperature, shown on Ken's car, was flipping between 89 and 90 on the way down from Walled Lake, and was 89 when he reached the flying field.

Standing in the hot sunlight was not a pleasure, to say the least, but the wind was down. Several persons did elect to fly.

As the photos show, the turnout was quite good, despite the extreme heat.

It was decided to bring out the sunshades, so they are out now, but please remember to social distance, even when using the sunshades!!!

**Larry Markey** had a large wingspan glider that drew a lot of attention, both on the ground and in the air.

I asked Larry to send me some information on his beautiful creation.

The following is from Larry via email.

From Peter Goldsmith Designs:

Weight: 12-13lbs (5.6kg)

Span: 188" (4.7m)

Length 85" (2.16m)

Airfoil: Modified SD3021

This aircraft is modeled after the famous first of the Slingsby Skylark series. The design scope for this kit was to have an affordable, easy to build Sailplane, that could be aero towed or self-launched with an E-Power system. It was also imperative that the Sailplane have excellent performance with friendly handling.

I built my Skylark last winter in Florida. It is a laser cut kit that Peter designed and he cuts the kits in his house. Peter Goldsmith is a retired Horizon Hobby executive.

The fuselage plywood is stained and clear varnished. The Skylark is covered in white Ultracote and natural Oratex. I really enjoyed the building and I recommend Peter's kits.

I had an enjoyable 30 minute thermal flight at the meeting that was done from

**Helicopter Frequencies**

21, 27, 29, 39, 41

**Sailplane Frequencies**

11, 12

one 45 second power on launch.

Larry Markey



**Larry Markey Photo**

Larry also sent a link to a YouTube video.  
<https://youtu.be/5KsSfS9PEPs>

Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday,  
August 5 at 6 p.m. Always be sure to check our club  
Website for any changes.

<http://midwestrcsociety.org>

**Photos from the July Meeting**





## 2020 Mowing Information

### IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL RULES FOR MOWING CREWS STARTING MAY 7, 2020

Adopted at the May, 2020 meeting

1. Wear masks when not separated as part of work
2. Wear gloves
3. Only one person in a container at a time
4. Clean tractors and other shared equipment with soap & bleach compound (a jug and rags are in the Ford tractor storage container)
5. Wipe down seats, steering wheel, levers, etc.
6. Wipe down equipment before removing from storage containers
7. Wipe down equipment after returning to storage containers

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#### Please Note:

1. The mowing schedule is presented as a general mowing guide to help insure that the field is mowed at least once a week.
2. As shown each of the 4 mowing teams usually have a period of 4 weeks between their respective turns to mow, but this is subject to change (see below).
3. The schedule is NOT intended to be an unbending, all encompassing rule that covers every situation.
4. Each Team Captain is empowered to adjust his team's mowing time and day if required due to weather, special events or another reason; he is responsible for communicating his adjustments to all the members of his team.
5. In case of vacation or a leave of absence, it is the Team Captain's responsibility to swap weeks with another Team Captain.
6. Additional cuttings are at the discretion of the Team Captains.
7. The attached schedule will NOT be modified for any of the changes listed in items 4, 5 or 6.

**Wednesday is mowing day (weather permitting)  
otherwise Thursday before 6 p.m.**

**Typical Mowing times: (TBD)**

**Flight Instructors**, please consult the mowing schedule and mowing team leader prior to scheduling training sessions to avoid conflicts.

**Team members**, PLEASE call your team leader if you are unable to show up for field work. All team members must check with their Team Leader for the actual mowing time.

Any team member whose personal schedule conflicts with his team's mowing schedule should contact Bill Brown, 248 379-4935, for reassignment to another team.

	2020 MOWING SCHEDULE					
	May----	June----	July----	August--	September	October
No.4 Team Captain Bill Brown Jr. 313-268-4167	13	10	8	5	2, 30	28
No.1 Team Captain Roger Wilfong 248-349-9079	20	17	15	12	9	7
No.2 Team Captain John Gavasso 248-553-4783	27	24	22	19	16	14
No.3 Team Captain David Stacer 313-318-3288	6	3	1, 29	26	23	21

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### SAFETY FIRST

**NO SMOKING IN OR AROUND THE STORAGE AREAS!**

**NO REFUELING of EQUIPMENT INSIDE THE STORAGE CONTAINERS!**

All Hand and Riding mowers:

\*\*\*Check oil before mowing!\*\*\*

#### **Ford Tractor Rules:**

Check oil and water before mowing!

Do not exceed 1850 RPM!

Always mow in 2nd Gear- never in 3rd Gear!

No high speed turns!

Keep cut grass away from the grill and the radiator!

Report any equipment problems to Roger Wilfong  
248-349-9079

To change your email address contact Ken Myers at [kmyersefo@mac.com](mailto: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:**

**August 5, 2020**, Midwest RC Society Monthly meeting, 6 p.m. or earlier for better parking, 7 Mile Rd. Flying, be sure to check the club Website for any last minute changes.

Learn more about that HUGE glider in this issue!



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