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**Next Meeting: Date:** August 4, 2021

**Time:** 6 p.m. or earlier **Place:** The Flying Field

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**Our Charging Station in Action**

From Dave Stacer via email

during our club glider event on Tuesday, June 22, 2021. He also noted that there were 11 participants during the event.



**Dave Stacer** sent along a couple of photos of our charging station in action

**Helicopter Frequencies**

21, 27, 29, 39, 41

**Sailplane Frequencies**

11, 12

## The July 2021 Flying Field Meeting

The rain and windy weather in July postponed our field meeting until Wednesday, July 14. As it happened, it was the only evening that week that was decent for flying! Great call Greg.

The folks from our Tuesday evening glider league were there early, and practicing, as they were going to demo what they do on Tuesdays for the rest of the club.

Remember that the “league” is for all ability levels of fliers. All you need is a glider type aircraft and a desire to have a lot of fun.

That was clearly evidenced during their demos through the evening.

**Larry Markey** does a great job moving the guys through the event rounds.

Unfortunately, the predominant wind was from the south which meant that they were taking off somewhat crosswind, climbing, and at altitude, crossing the flight line to fly into the wind. This is pro forma for this event and really not a problem nor safety issue.

About 6 p.m., **Greg Eilers** gathered the members for a brief “business” meeting. He noted that the cost to use the EAA building for our winter meetings has gone from \$30 a night to \$50 a night. This is being looked into and more info on what we might do for winter meeting will be discussed soon.

**Ken Myers** presented the club with a check for \$410, the proceeds from contestant donations at this year’s Mid-Am.

Ken also thanked the mowing crew consisting of **Norm Peters, Ted Flack** and **Jim Lapham** for the EXCELLENT job they did in preparing the field for the event. It was extremely difficult because of all of the rain. Great job gentlemen!!!

Ken also thanked **Denny Sumner** and **Dave Stacer** for going above and beyond at the Mid-Am by being the field chefs for our hot dog, chips and drinks lunch and then putting on their chef hats again for the burger, brats, chips and drinks dinner.

In between rounds of the glider events Ken Myers was able to put two new young pilots into the air for the first time using his RUA 2-4-10 and Tactic wireless buddy box system.

It was a beautiful night for flying, friendship and fun.

## A Quick Note On the Mid-Am and a Few Photos

By Ken Myers

A full 37th Annual Mid-America Electric Flies Report starts in the August 2021 issue of the *Ampeer*.  
<http://www.theampeer.org>

I’ve included some of the highlights featuring our club members here.

**Keith Shaw** and I thank the Midwest RC Society and all of its members for the use of the Midwest flying field for the annual event. Thanks a ton!



On Saturday, July 10, the weather was absolutely perfect for this event. The temperature through the day was moderate and the winds down the runway and low. The Mid-Am kicked off with the pilots’ meeting.

Celebrating **Bill Brown, Sr.’s** 100th birthday, again, was also a highlight!





**Bill Signs Into the Event**



Four AMA Hall of Fame members were also in attendance. From left to right; **Keith Shaw**, **Pete Waters**, **Ken Myers** and **Mark Freeland**.



**Another Cake for Bill**



**Larry Markey** flew his big, beautiful, majestic Skylark Type 37 motor glider. What a sight to see. The 15' 8" wingspan glider was designed by Peter Goldsmith. Great plane Larry.

**Rick Sawicki's** photo link with many more photos of the event is below.  
<https://photos.google.com/share/Af1QipPKKH6RrOdO6vZhl2wqkGbmWW63KPDdBuMQ0yXY8zQiVApKBq9odWiGngqcm-LB-w?key=YzJIOU5pX21SX0cwbWxjUVhGV2ZrNndYLUVIWDRE>

Hope you will join us next year!



**Everyone Sings Happy Birthday**

## Upcoming Skymasters RC Club Night Fly, Bonfire and Open Air Swap Meet

From Pete Foss via email

**Rescheduled to Saturday, July 24, 2021** Night Fly,  
Bonfire and FREE Open Air Swap Meet

Quiet Electric Night Flyers Only

Event Flying starts at 6 PM

Bring you own refreshments for the bonfire after  
flying

**NO FOOD OR DRINKS WILL BE AVAILABLE.**

**MASKS REQUIRED UNLESS 6 FOOT  
SEPARATION.**

Flying open to AMA members.

94dBa at 10 feet enforced

Flying field is located within the Bald Mountain  
Recreation Area, about 5 miles north of the Palace of  
Auburn Hills on Scripps Road between Lapeer Rd  
(M24) and Joslyn Rd.

For more information email

[president@skymasters.org](mailto:president@skymasters.org)

Event Flyer with map at

[http://www.skymasters.org/index.php?  
page=events&id=13944](http://www.skymasters.org/index.php?page=events&id=13944)

## Upcoming MRCA Fun Fly Event

Sail Planes, Scale planes, Warbirds, Drones,

Helicopter

Open flying for all types of Radio Controlled Aircraft

**Saturday July 31st 2021 at 10:00 a.m.**

**The Fun Fly is free.**

No food will be provided so we are encouraging  
everyone to bring your own food/Lunch. Tail-gate  
style is perfect!

**Invite your friends who fly at other clubs, family,  
guests, beginners.**

**AMA Membership is always required.**

**Contact information:** Robert Throne

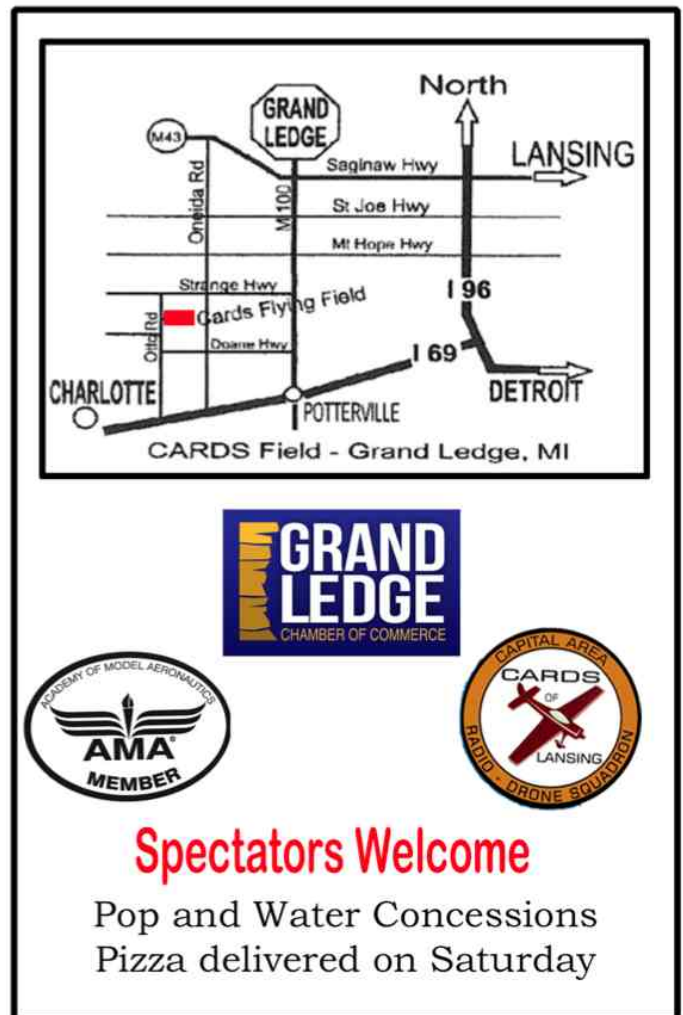
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Also Visit and contact thru our Facebook Page [https://  
www.facebook.com/mrcaclub](https://www.facebook.com/mrcaclub)

The MRCA field is located on Begole rd. just west of Platt  
rd. York Township. Between Saline and Milan Mi.

300w Begole Rd.

GPS 42.133145,-83.707066



## The Upcoming C.A.R.D.S. of Lansing 11th Annual Electric Fly In

from Marv Thompson

Friday August 27 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and

Saturday August 28 from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

### Pilot and Aircraft Requirements:

Current AMA — Open to All RC Electric planes,  
helicopters, and multicopters.

Social Distancing and Other Michigan Covid  
Requirements Current to the Event Will Be Followed.

Email or Text CD For any Updates

Pizza Lunch for Pilots on Saturday (Will be served if  
necessary)

Water and Pop will be available

Landing Fees: \$15



Marv Thomson/CD 517 802 7675  
 mthomson@wowway.com  
 Website: www.cardsrc.com  
 8328 Otto Rd, Grand Ledge, Mi 48837

### Spectators Welcome

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

### 2021 Mowing Information

Midwest R.C. Field 7 Mile Road Year 2021 Mowing Teams			
<b>No. 1 Team</b>		<b>No. 2 Team</b>	
AM		PM	
<b>Roger Wilfong</b>	<b>248-349-9079</b>	<b>Dennis Sumner</b>	<b>734-658-7931</b>
Alan Minsterman	734-673-7863	Arnold Nielsen	248-305-8264
Tom Cwynar	248-437-0602	John Gavasso	248-553-4783
Ron Krause	248-420-6678		
<b>No. 3 Team</b>		<b>No. 4 Team</b>	
PM		AM	
<b>David Stacer</b>	<b>313-318-3288</b>	<b>Bill Brown Jr.</b>	<b>313-268-4167</b>
Ken Myers	248-669-8124	Norm Peters	734-961-7975
Richard Sawicki	248-685-7056	Jim Lapham	248-342-5405
Jim McDonald	248-376-0857	Ted Flack	248-804-5468

### 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.

2021 MOWING SCHEDULE						
	May----	June----	July----	August--	September	October
No.4 Team Captain Bill Brown Jr. 313-268-4167	12	9	7	4	1, 29	27
No.1 Team Captain Roger Wilfong 248-349-9079	19	16	14	11	8	6
No 2 Team Captain Dennis Sumner 734-658-7931	26	23	21	18	15	13
No.3 Team Captain David Stacer 313-318-3288	5	2, 30	28	25	22	20

**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.

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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 Bill Brown, Jr. 313-268-4167 or Roger Wilfong 248-349-9079.

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

**The 2021 membership application is available at the club Web site,  
<http://www.midwestrcsociety.org>,  
for downloading with the link on the homepage.**

**Upcoming Events:**

**June through September 2021**, Weekly Float Flying on Wednesday Morning at Addison Oaks sponsored by the Romeo Skyhawks RC Club

**July 24, Saturday**, Skymasters RC Club Night Fly, Bonfire and Open Air Swap Meet  
(details in this issue)

**July 31, Saturday**, MRCA Fun Fly Event  
(details in this issue)

**August 4, Wednesday**, Midwest RC Society Monthly meeting, 6 p.m. or earlier for best parking.

**August 27 & 28, Friday and Saturday**, C.A.R.D.S. of Lansing 11th Annual Electric Fly In  
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