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**Next Meeting: Date:** Tuesday, July 1, 2025

**Time:** 5:00 p.m. 7 Mile Rd. Flying Field - w/Glider Guys

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## Summer/Early Fall Meeting Reminder

Please be aware that all summer meeting dates are tentative and may need to be changed/moved due to weather related issues.

Please check your email and the club Website, as the tentative date approaches, for possible last minute changes.

## Midwest RC Society and EFO Freeze Fly and Season Opener

Saturday, May 26, was the Season Opener for both clubs and, as it turned out, Freeze Fly, held at the Midwest RC Society 7 Mile Road flying field.



Well, it was not really freezing, but it sure felt like it, as shown how we are dressed in the photo with all of the guys bundled up.

The temperature was in the low 50s with a harsh and brisk wind blowing. The sky remained mostly cloudy for the whole day.

**Denny Sumner** did get in a couple of nice flights on his new Cub.







The photos were taken at the brightest part of the day. Shortly after the photos were taken, the clouds rolled in and stayed the rest of the day.



**Pete Waters** brought over an early, large jacket back patch for **Denny Sumner** to put into his build room. How cool was that?!

A field lunch of hot dogs and chips was provided by **Greg Eilers**, of the Midwest RC Society. Greg was also the chief cook at the grill.

Thank you Greg and the Midwest RC Society!



AMA Hall of Fame members, **Pete Waters** and **Ken Myers**, had a nice chat about aeromodeling's past and future.



Although there was not a lot of flying, it was still a great day to get together and enjoy each others flying stories.



The cloud cover can be seen in these photos.



A very special guest also showed up for the meeting. It was great to see **Mark Rittinger** at the flying field again after his very trying times with long COVID and its after effects. Thanks also to Mark for his Sig Seniorita as a club trainer.

While it was not the best “day”, it was still a great day at the flying field.

## 2025 Mowing Information

### 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.

Midwest R.C. Field 7 Mile Road Year 2025 Mowing Teams			
<b>No. 1 Team</b>	<b>AM</b>		<b>No. 2 Team</b>
<b>Roger Wilfong</b>	<b>248-349-9079</b>		<b>Dennis Sumner</b>
Ken Sutton	734-634-9801		John Gavasso
Joe Havens	734-330-08171		Arnold Nielsen
Jesse Brunais	734-679-8500		Aaron Heiner
			734-620-3413
<b>No. 3 Team</b>	<b>PM</b>		<b>No. 4 Team</b>
<b>David Stacer</b>	<b>313-318-3288</b>		<b>Bill Brown Jr.</b>
Ken Myers	248-669-8124		Norm Peters
Richard Sawicki	248-685-7056		Ted Flack
Jim McDonald	248-376-0857		248-804-5468

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.

	2025 MOWING SCHEDULE					
	May----	June----	July----	August--	September	October
No.4 Team Captain Bill Brown Jr. 313-268-4167	7	4	2,30	27	24	22
No.1 Team Captain Roger Wilfong 248-349-9079	14	11	9	6	3	1,29
No 2 Team Captain Dennis Sumner 734-658-7931	21	18	16	13	10	8
No.3 Team Captain David Stacer 313-318-3288	28	25	23	20	17	15

**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.

**41st Annual Mid-America Electric Flies 2025 &  
FREE Open Air Swap Meet**

(See Swap Meet Note at the end of this  
announcement.)

AMA Sanctioned Event (Proof of AMA membership  
required to fly - Sorry MAAC membership is no  
longer accepted)

**Saturday, July 12 & Sunday, July 13, 2025**

Hosted by the:

**Ann Arbor Falcons, Electric Flyers Only and The  
Midwest RC Society**

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  
kmyersefo@mac.org

**Website for updates:**

<http://www.theampeer.org> for 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. **Saturday**

Open Flying 10 A.M. Until You Leave **Sunday**

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

**There are NO SCHEDULED EVENTS  
on Sunday, just open electric flying)**

## **No Pilot Landing Fee**

**Donations will be gladly accepted**

**No Parking Donation Will Be Requested from  
Spectators or Those Participating in the Open Air  
Swap Shop**

**Donations to Midwest will be gladly accepted from  
Spectators and Open Air Swappers**

**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 the winner in each category

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

**Field Lunch is provided** to pilots and friends (hot  
dogs, chips, water or pop) Available on Saturday

**Field Dinner is provided** (Burgers, Brats 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.

**VERY IMPORTANT REMINDER FOR 2025 -  
THE FLYING FIELD ENTRANCE TO THE  
MIDWEST FLYING FIELD CHANGED FIVE  
YEARS AGO!**

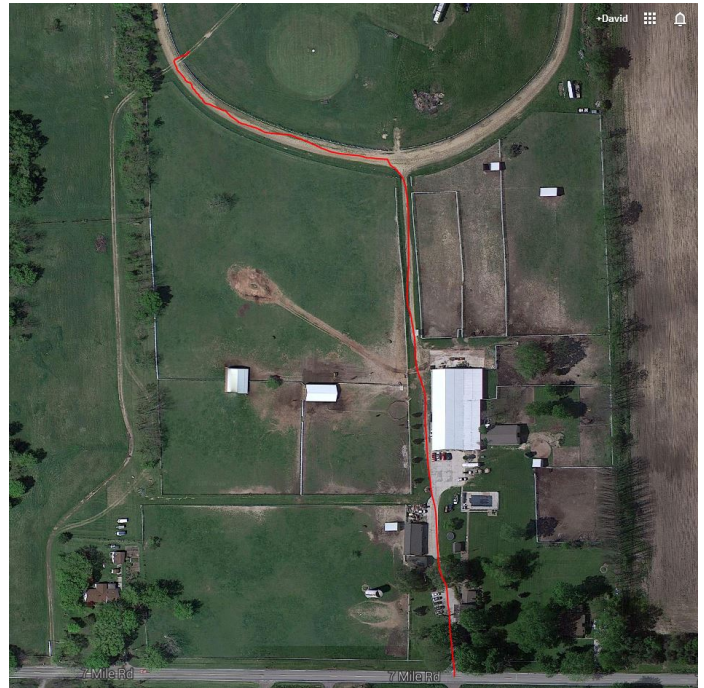
The old entrance to the Midwest RC Society flying field is **permanently closed!!! DO NOT ATTEMPT TO USE IT!!!**



**This is what the flying field entrance looks like.  
Please Drive SAFELY**

The field entrance is on the north side of Seven Mile Road about 1.5 Miles west of Currie Rd. entrance is on the north side of Seven Mile Road about 1.6 Miles west of Currie Rd.

The address is 7621 Seven Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167. The entrance is through a private residence drive and out past the barn.



How to enter the flying field, by going past the farm buildings, is shown in the following photo.

**Directions from Google Maps to the flying field**

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/MIDWEST+R%2FC+SOCIETY/@42.422025,-83.6170775,805m/data=!3m1!1e3!4m13!1m7!3m6!1s0x8823559bdf962b57:0xd100df97d9dcebf1!2s7419+7+Mile+Rd,+Northville,+MI+48167!3b1!8m2!3d42.4187058!4d-83.6190072!3m4!1s0x882355a2c9e29cb5:0xaaaf592068692b984!8m2!3d42.422025!4d-83.6148888?hl=en>

To locate the Midwest R/C Society 7 Mile Rd. flying field, site of the Mid-America Electric Flies, use the link for the map above.

Because of their convenient location and the easy drive to the flying field, the Comfort Suites and Holiday Inn Express in Wixom, MI have been added to the hotels' listing. They are only 10 miles northeast of the field and located near I-96 and Wixom Road. See the map-hotel .pdf for more details.

<http://www.theampeer.org/map-hotels.pdf>

**Open Air Swap Meet**

There is a designated area for swappers. Please check-in at the event registration table before setting up. Someone from registration will point out where you may set up. Bring your own table(s) and chair(s).

There is no swap meet fee. A donation to the Midwest RC Society, for the use of their flying field, would be greatly appreciated.

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

**The 2025 membership application is available at the club Web site,  
<http://www.midwestrcsociety.org>,  
for downloading with the link on the homepage.**

**Upcoming Events  
Tentative 2025 Midwest Events Schedule**

June 15, Sunday, Fathers day EAA pancake  
Breakfast Table and flyers at Mettetal Airport

July 1st, Tuesday, Meeting at the field with the Sailplane Guys  
Combo, All Members Welcome

July 11th-13th MidAm Electric fly at Midwest field (Club  
help) Friday, July 11th is field set up in the a.m. with guests  
arriving through the day.

August 2nd, Midwest open house and flying meeting with hot  
dog lunch, Invite friends and family.

September 3rd, Meeting at the field 6 p.m. Officer  
nominations open.

October 1st, meeting at Mettetal airport 7:00 p.m. / Per swap  
shop prep Officer Nominations

November 2nd, Sunday, Swap shop Northville Mi Senior  
center. (all members help) More details to follow.

November 5th, in person Meeting @ Mettetal airport. 7:00  
p.m. Club Officers voting.

December 3rd, Christmas Snack Share and lightly used gift  
exchange. \$50.00 and over FOF gift card raffle. 7:00 p.m.

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**The Next Regularly Schedules Meeting:**

**Date:** Tuesday, June 1, 2025

**Time:** 5:00 p.m.

**Place:** 7 Mile Rd. Flying Field - Combo with the  
sailplane guys