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November

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Next Meeting: Date: Wednesday, Nov. 1, 2023

Time: 7:30 p.m. FBO at Mettetal Airport

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Fall/Winter/Early Spring Meeting Reminder

Our fall, winter and early spring meetings are held at the fixed-based operator (FBO) building at Mettetal Airport.

Canton–Plymouth Mettetal Airport is a public use airport located in Canton Township, Michigan, United States. The airport lies two nautical miles south of the central business district of Plymouth, in Wayne County. The airport is owned and operated by the Michigan Department of Transportation.

Address: 8550 N Lilley Rd, Canton, MI 48187

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

The FBO is the white building that is located closer to the runway than the EAA building.

The October Meeting

Greg Eilers, club president started the meeting by thanking **Ken Sutton** for arranging for our new meeting space in the FBO at the Mettetal Airport.

Next Greg moved on to the nomination of officers for 2024. He noted that all of the current officers have agreed to run again.

president - Greg Eilers
vice-president - Ken Myers
secretary - Lynn Morgan
treasurer - Dave Stacer
field safety officer - Bill Brown, Jr.
two board members at large on the board of directors - Denny Sumner and Bill Brown, Sr.

Please remember that if you are desiring to run for an officer position, you may nominate yourself at the November meeting before the election takes place.

Greg also note that he will be moving during the next year, and because of that his time might be restricted. He'll need some other to pitch in and help with the president's position.

Rudi Reinhard reported on the upcoming, Sunday, November 5th swap shop. He reported that he sent out flyers to all clubs within a 150 mile range.

He also noted that all of the wall tables sold. He said that we are now close, but not there yet, on breaking even on table sales at this point.

Rudi also told us that he enjoys heading this event each year. The members thanked him for all of his hard work over all of these decades.

Swap Shop set up is at 7 a.m. and the doors open to the public at 8:15 a.m.

Please keep in mind that this is the time change weekend and plan your time accordingly.

Dave Stacer, club treasurer, said that the building is paid for.

Greg Eilers will once again be doing the coffee and donuts. **Ken Myers** is doing admissions this year. **Roger Wilfong** will handle the 50/50 raffle.

Lynn Morgan, club secretary stated that the annual are due ASAP. An email or a note accompanying the payment with your name and AMA number should accompany your payment if you are a current member with no changes. If you are new, or wish to make changes, the membership application is on our Website.

There will be a table for donated items to sell to benefit club at the swap shop.

Greg brought up the topic of the plans for the new pavilion. He described where where it will be places and noted that the funds had been approved at September meeting. Donations for this structure will be greatly appreciated.

Greg had checked with land owner, Marty, and its okay with her to proceed with this structure.

There was some talk about possibly purchasing a pre-made structure. It was also noted that plans should be made in the structure to hold Bar BQ.

Possible construction should start in spring.

The final plans and decisions should be made by March.

Sharing Winter Builds

Greg noted that we do have the ability to show videos at the FBO. He note that when you do a winter build, you could take photos and get them to him and he'll turn them into a video to share at our meetings.

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Greg also noted that we need to give a huge thanks **Lynn Morgan** and **Larry Markey** for replacing the Ford tractor's head gasket to a new one. It took a lot of time and effort on their part. Thank you so, so much guys!!!

Dave Stacer requested that we please stop mowing when its wet. The wet grass requires more power and it causes a real mess.



Jesse Brunais brought in his old Mini Fantana to discuss how he finally got it balanced, as it was quite nose heavy. He noted that he'd add 2 oz. under servos.

Several members suggested he might want to consider adding weight onto the outside of the rear of the fuselage, as that would decrease the total weight of the weight needed to achieve the proper balance.

Walt was guest and said that he's thinking about learning to fly. He and **Dave Stacer**, our head flight instructor, got together after the meeting to exchange information.

Everyone agreed that our new meeting room, in the FBO, worked out just fine.

2023 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.
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)

Midwest R.C. Field 7 Mile Road		Year 2023 Mowing Teams	
No. 1 Team	AM	No. 2 Team	PM
Roger Wilfong	248-349-9079	Dennis Sumner	734-658-7931
Tom Cwynar	248-437-0602	Arnold Nielsen	248-305-8264
Ken Sutton	734-634-9801	John Gavasso	248-986-7587
Eric Flack	251-233-5333		
No. 3 Team	PM	No. 4 Team	AM
David Stacer	313-318-3288	Bill Brown Jr.	313-268-4167
Ken Myers	248-669-8124	Norm Peters	810-923-1809
Richard Sawicki	248-685-7056	Jim Lapham	248-342-5405
Jim McDonald	248-376-0857	Ted Flack	248-804-5468

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.

All TEAM LEADERS AND MEMBERS MUST BE

2023 MOWING SCHEDULE						
	May----	June----	July----	August--	September	October
No.4 Team Captain Bill Brown Jr. 313-268-4167	10	7	5	2,30	27	25
No.1 Team Captain Roger Wilfong 248-349-9079	17	14	12	9	6	4
No 2 Team Captain Dennis Sumner 734-658-7931	24	21	19	16	13	11
No.3 Team Captain David Stacer 313-318-3288	3,31	28	26	23	20	18

CHECKED OUT BEFORE RUNNING ANY OF THE EQUIPMENT USED TO TAKE CARE OF THE PARKING AREA OR FLYING FIELD.

All TEAM LEADERS AND MEMBERS MUST BE CHECKED OUT BEFORE RUNNING ANY OF THE EQUIPMENT USED TO TAKE CARE OF THE PARKING AREA OR FLYING FIELD

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.



Midwest R/C SWAP MEET

Sunday, November 5th, 2023 8:15AM to
12:00PM

Location

Northville Community Center, 303 West Main
Street,
Northville, Michigan

Admission Charge

\$5.00 per person
active duty military and kids under 12 are
admitted free

Vendor Table Cost

\$25.00 per table, payable in advance
Vendor table cost includes one admission
and set up time is 7:30am.

Table reservations are recommended since **all 90 tables** are usually sold in advance and it costs more at the door if tables are still available.

For information and table reservations

Call Rudi at: 248-631-8205 or
e-mail: therudi@me.com

Directions

Take the 8 Mile Road exit off of I-275 and go west 2.5 miles to Center Street.
Go south on Center Street and then west on Dunlop Street. At Wing Street, go south to Cady Street where you will find free parking behind the facility.

LARGEST and BEST swap meet in SE Michigan!

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

The 2024 membership application is available at the club Web site,

**<http://www.midwestrcsociety.org>,
for downloading with the link on the homepage.**

Upcoming Events

Tentative 2023 Midwest Events Schedule

Every Tuesday May through Oct. Sailplane league (5:30 pm.) Larry Markey CD.

April 5th - April club Meeting / EAA building

May 10th - May Club Meeting / At the field

June 7 - June Club Meeting / At the field - Club picnic ladies night

July 5 - July club Meeting / At the field - Pre Mid-AM , 6 p.m.

July 8th and 9th Annual Mid-Am electric fly. Ken Myers CD (*To include Open Air Swap Shop KM*)

Aug 5 - Aug club meeting / open - At the field **Saturday** (Lunch served)

Sept. 9 - Club Meeting / at the field. **Saturday** (discuss officer nominations) - No lunch unless someone volunteers to cook dogs - contact Greg as he still has some

Oct 4 - Oct club Meeting / Mettetal FBO / Officer nominations

Nov. 1 Nov club Meeting / Mettetal FBO (pre swap prep / elections)

Nov. 5 November Swap Shop / Northville Senior center

Dec. 6 - December club Meeting / Mettetal FBO (Christmas snacks)

Dec. 16 - December Club dinner with wives @ Karls Cabin (*If rebuilt & reopened after the fire on 02/15/23 KM*)

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