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Next Meeting: Date: Wednesday, September 1, 2021

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

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Howard Kendall's Celebration of Life Notice

From Larry Markey via email

Ken,

Please publish this in the newsletter in early August or do a special mailing.

Thanks.

From Howard's wife Jean:

Howard's Celebration of Life will be held Sunday August 22nd from 1 to 5.

p.m., with a toast to him at 3 p.m.

Location: 21950 Currie Rd, Northville.

Larry Markey

My Apologies to MR. CHUCK WOOLEY!!!

By Ken Myers

I didn't think I'd be able to get the message about Howard out to the club members in time, so I forwarded Larry's message to our members. I also noted, very incorrectly, the order of our Midwest presidents, as I remembered them. Having

just turned 75, memory is no longer my strong suit.

I received a text from **Chuck Wooley** noting that he was our club president after Bob Strobel and before Ed Douville. Chuck also noted that he was vice-president for many years.

I have no idea why Chuck slipped my mind, as he was one of our very best and most active presidents!

Thank you Chuck for "jogging" the old noggin.

I believe this is now the correct order of Midwest RC Society presidents since I've been a member; Bob Strobel, Chuck Wooley, Ed Douville, Howard Kendall, Arthur Dean, Roger Wilfong and Greg Eilers.

Sorry Chuck! :-(

Helicopter Frequencies

21,27,29,39, 41

Sailplane Frequencies

11, 12

The August 2021 Flying Field Meeting or “Well, That Didn’t Turn Out So Well, Did It?”

The monthly flying field meeting was held on Wednesday, August 4.

Arthur Deane, **Paul Sockow**, and **Dave Stacer** were already at the flying field when **Ken Myers** arrived about 5 p.m.

Dave set up Ken’s Simple Cub version 4 on his Tactic 650 transmitter for his son to continuing his training on. Dave flew the plane to trim it out in the beautiful weather.

Just as **Jim McDonald** and **Greg Eilers** pulled in and started setting up their planes, the sky turned dark and a few drops of rain started to fall, although the weather predictors had not really predicted rain.

By 6 o’clock the few drops of rain had turned into a deluge!



The six members huddled under the tarp at the charging station and Greg held an informal meeting.

Please be aware that dates, times, and events that follow are very TENTATIVE because of the resurgence of spiking cases of COVID-19.

Greg Eilers, Midwest president, noted that the cost of using the EAA building, starting possibly in November, had gone up \$20 per month. How that new, extra cost will be handled in future meeting. The club leadership will make recommendations to memberships by years end.

Greg also noted that he’d like someone to be the IT (eye-tee) person for the EAA building and also have someone in charge of lining up programs and presentations. Greg is looking for a member who will take the lead on tech talks and video presentations for at least 3 of the winter month meetings. Please contact Greg if you are willing to take on this responsibility.

Greg said that there was a very good response to having a Christmas-time dinner with the members bringing their spouses. He’s aiming for a date in the middle of December at Karls Cabin in Plymouth. It is another way to show our wives appreciation. Everyone pays their own way. We might have an optional club fundraiser like a 50/50 raffle. The actual turn out might well determine this event’s life span.

Also, if the pandemic allows, we’ll also be having our traditional dessert social and usable “white elephant” gift exchange at the EAA building on the first Wednesday in December.

Greg is also planning on having a club fun fly on Thursday evening, September 16 at 5 p.m. It will be a fun time with some prizes from Retro RC. It will be a timed event to eliminate any advantage for any participant. Prizes for top 3 finishers. Greg will post the rules prior to the event. No rain date is planned.

There is still no word on Swap Shop from the Northville Senior Recreation Center.

It was also mentioned that **Denny Sumner** will be presenting a building session for the Frankenradian in November.

[https://www.rcgroups.com/forums/showthread.php?3942055-FR1-Frankenradian-\(With-Plans\)](https://www.rcgroups.com/forums/showthread.php?3942055-FR1-Frankenradian-(With-Plans))

Please note the charging station issue noted during the meeting. Dave Stacer’s email regarding the issue follows.

Charging Station Update/Issue
From Dave Stacer via email

We have (*now had KM*) a problem with the right most jack on the charging station. The bottom (black) jack has gotten too warm and melted.

Please don't use that one until we can get it replaced. (*It is replaced. KM*)

If you were using that jack in the last few days please let Dave (dstacer@dsemail.com) know approximately what amp rate you were charging at. (*He did. KM*)

This jack was replaced once before and now it has a problem again. We don't understand why and are looking for any information you can provide if you were using that specific location.

Thanks,
Dave

Addendum: Dave replaced the jack on Saturday, August 7. He noted that the total current drawn from the system should not exceed 40 amps.

A Quick Note On the Mid-Am By Ken Myers

The first part of 37th Annual Mid-America Electric Flies Report starts in the August 2021 issue of the *Ampeer* and is continued in the September 2021 *Ampeer*.

<http://www.theampeer.org/ampeer/ampaug21/ampaug21.htm>

and
<http://www.theampeer.org/ampeer/ampsep21/ampsep21.htm>

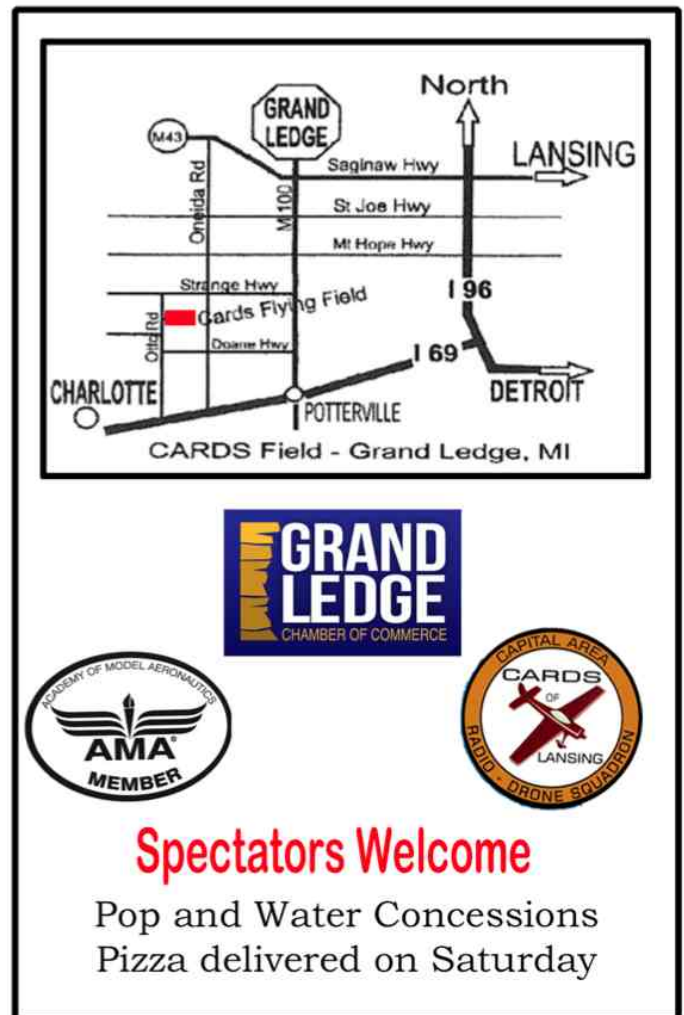
The Upcoming C.A.R.D.S. of Lansing 11th Annual Electric Fly In from Marv Thompson

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

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.

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

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

Midwest R.C. Field 7 Mile Road Year 2021 Mowing Teams			
No. 1 Team		No. 2 Team	
Roger Wilfong	248-349-9079	Dennis Sumner	734-658-7931
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		
No. 3 Team		No. 4 Team	
David Stacer	313-318-3288	Bill Brown Jr.	313-268-4167
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

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.

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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 kmmyersefo@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:

August 27 & 28, Friday and Saturday,
C.A.R.D.S. of Lansing 11th Annual Electric Fly In
(details in this issue)

September 1, Wednesday, Midwest RC Society
Monthly meeting, 6 p.m. or earlier for best parking.

September 16, Thursday, 5 p.m., Midwest RC
Club Fun Fly (details to follow)

**Eating and Gabbing
Help Wanted**

From Pete Waters via email

We need help to fill the empty seats on
**Wednesday mornings at The Conners Coney
Island Restaurant** situated at the N.E. Corner of 5
Mile and Haggerty.

We meet at 7:30 a.m., and cover many topics,
except Politics and Religion.

This get together, used to have several tables
filled, but time has passed, and now we're down to
just a few. This is an ideal stop off for the field
workers, breakfast and then the field. Please make
an effort, we used to be "The **R.O.M.E.O.**" Group,
"Retired Old Men Eating Out!"

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