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President's Message

Well, National Model Aviation Day has come and gone and our Club Pic Nic and Fly In on the 17th are in the history books. A big thank You to Anthony Hall for all the hard work as the Event Manager, Competition Director and all around whipping boy. Once again, Tim and his crew of sous chefs put on a great spread, replete with member desserts and Hand Cranked Ice Cream. Those who didn't show really cheated themselves!!

September's monthly meeting will be the last at the field for the year. See you then!

Dan Jackson

Quotable Quotes

A single lifetime, even though entirely devoted to the sky, would not be enough for the study of so vast a subject. A time will come when our descendants will be amazed that we did not know things that are so plain to them.

— Seneca, Roman philosopher, 1st century AD

There is no sport equal to that which aviators enjoy while being carried through the air on great white wings.

— Wilbur Wright, 1905

Editor

Please send your input either by e-mail (rossgtenn@gmail.com) or post -

Glenn Ross, 134 Chock Creek Road, Johnson City, TN 37601-3639 - by the 19th of the month you would like it included. Electronic input should be .jpgs and word documents (.doc or .docx).

THANKS!

Glenn Ross

Next Meeting

Tuesday, 24 September 2019, 6:45 PM at Odom – Fennell Field, Tri Cities Model Airport

Member Information –

Have you heard the phrase “Pattern Flying” ?

Well if you haven't then you need to talk with Jerry Black, Vic Koenig or Dan Jackson because, as of 4 August, they are now First Place Winners in the Novice, Sportsman and Expert Classes!!!

That's right, the Boys of Tri Cities Tennessee, our JCRC Club members won first place in each event they entered at the 2019 Senior Pattern Association, East/West Shoot out held at the Clover Creek Aerodrome in Toon, Tennessee.



Vic's plane waiting its test



Dan doing a radio check



Can you find our Champs in this gaggle??

Vic reports:

” This was called the east/west shootout. It was S/E of Jackson, TN and had pilots from TX, AL, TN, and GA. It was a two day event on Sat & Sun. with 26 preregistered pilots and held on an unbelievably super field. There was Corn on all sides but the runways were 1 inch Bermuda with rolled 2 inch Bermuda on the edges. You can take a peek at the event on the SPA website, www.senormapattern.com. The East/West Shootout is just under the header on the right side. There is a list of all the competitors and the scoring results all at one spot. Other than to say it was a hoot there's not much I can add”.

**photos from the SPA Website, www.senormapattern.com*

New Member Information –

A big welcome to and a little from Jimmie Serrac:

“I’m new to the hobby, what got me into it, is growing up in an AIR FORCE family and the love of airplanes. My father, Carl Williams, is a new member to the club. I live in Big Stone Gap Virginia. I would like to learn from the guys in the club and am eager to learn. Thank you for welcoming me and my Father.”

FYI –

This is what was happening with JCRC Twenty years ago, this month:

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That Time Of Year

The time has arrived to start serious planning for the JCRC Annual Picnic. The event is scheduled for September 18th. There is no cost to members and their families, but a head count is required to determine the quantities of food and drinks to purchase. Each member should bring a side dish and come to have a good time with their families and other members. If each member would donate about an hour for working the event all should go well. Most members indicated on their renewal or membership application that they are willing to work a club event. There will be a dedication ceremony for the T-33 because it is supposed to be completed by that date. A sign up sheet is posted at Bowser Ridge to facilitate gathering the required information.

There will be a concession stand available for purchasing food and drinks until the picnic food line starts at 4:00 p.m. Anything that is safe to fly will be allowed, except full scale. It must also meet AMA and JCRC requirements. If you wish to set up and sell items, this is also a swap meet.

I hope that every member is enjoying the summer flying season and getting in a lot of “stick” time. Personally I have used a few jugs of fuel and enjoyed flying with the week day morning group. This is a very diverse number of people who have many different interests. This is very representative of the general membership of the JCRC. The one thing we have in common is the enjoyment of our chosen hobby and the mutual respect that we have for each other.

There will be no more presentations at the monthly meetings until we return to the Princeton Arts Center In October.

Jim

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, July 27, 1999, 7:00 p.m. at Bowser Ridge Model Airport

FYI –

This month, we had a work day on 10 August to do some final touch up in preparation for our Fly In and Club Pic Nic to commemorate National Model Aviation Day. About twelve people came out and really put in an effort on a day that, though clear and sometimes breezy, sure got hot as the day wore on. Sorry, no pictures because everyone was busy putting final touches in place:

- the small shed was painted Gray (painting the trim green will come later)
- the small shed was leveled and the support pylons strengthened (trimming the swollen door will come later)
- the South Flight Table area weeds were pulled
- the Odom-Fennell sign got moved to the new sun shade so it can be seen by people when they drive up and can also now be seen on the web site camera
- the T-33 Area was weeded and spruced up
- There was some additional dirt placed along the runway edges (By the way, the runway edge and end work paid off during the Model Aviation day event....NO Broken Gear when people ran off the edge of the runway and egress back was greatly improved!)

Great Job, Everyone!!

Only one work day left this year to prep the field for the winter; stay tuned for the date

National Model Aviation Day and JCRC Club Pic Nic

Saturday, 17 August started out comfortable, with Low Humidity which allowed for comfortable setup and some early flights before the start of our National Model Aviation Day and Club Pic Nic event.



Before long, pilots were checking out the fun event descriptions, trying to decide what they would risk their planes in and greeting prospective new members and interested spectators. We had some eight people who were interested in our club, two who had seen the flyer about our event at Hobby Town, one who heard about it on WCYB News that morning and one who had been by the field several times when the gate was locked and made a point to try early on a Saturday. In addition, we had several spectators including a family from the local neighbors. I still can't believe Mom pushed that baby stroller all the way up our gravel road, but I guess we can never start 'em too young!





As usual, there was a great spread set up by Tim and his legion of supervisors; Hamburgers and Cheeseburgers with all the Fixings, Italian Garden Salad, Shrimp and Pasta Salad, Potato Salad, Beef Baked Beans, assorted chips and Desserts. Thanks to the members who provided the chocolate Cake and hand cranked Peach Ice Cream....Yum, Yum, Yum!!!!



As the day and the heat wore on, the competitions continued with some beautiful Pattern Flying demonstrations thrown in between events (thanks Dan and Vic) culminating with awards at the end of a great day of flight and fellowship.



*When you fly like this.....You get the award for **THE BESTEST LANDING!!!***





And, when you fly really good, you take home a lot of first place certificates!!!



Time for a last look at the runway and a last trip towards the hill!!

AMA Updates

The following is from the AMA Government Affairs Blog:

AMA 2019 State-level Legislation Update

We are pleased to share an update on AMA's 2019 government affairs work regarding state-level legislation. While many of you are aware that AMA is currently working with the FAA to implement new federal regulations, we also continue to track, categorize, and engage countless problematic bills across the US.

Many of the state legislative sessions have come to an end for the current cycle. This year, we continued to see many UAS-related proposals. However, as legislators begin to have a better understanding about the importance of our long-standing hobby, most of these bills were not overly concerning. Depending on the proposed restrictions or requirements, the AMA Government Affairs team determines a level of engagement.

297 Green Level – UAS-related state legislative proposals requiring minimal interaction

57 Yellow Level – Problematic UAS-related state legislative proposals requiring engagement

8 Red Level – UAS-related state legislative proposals requiring intervention

Fortunately, all eight red level legislative proposals were either stopped in committee and did not become law or were passed with important amendments that protect AMA members. For example, Nevada Senate Bill 421 was written to establish a program to facilitate the growth and safe integration of UAS. The original draft included additional registration, but thanks to AMA's advocacy, the unnecessary requirement was removed before the bill became law.

We are also happy to report that many states continue to support the Know Before You Fly campaign. This year, the California Senate, Rhode Island House & Senate, Utah House, South Dakota House, and Louisiana House have all passed resolutions recognizing Know Before You Fly as an official source of safety information and emphasizing the importance of safe flying.

Rest assured, we continue to monitor for UAS-related legislation. However, if you learn of a burdensome legislative proposal in your area that might affect our hobby, please contact us and we will investigate.

Thank you for your continued support of AMA. As always, please reach out with any questions at amagov@modelaircraft.org.

Kind regards,

AMA Government Affairs Team

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Hobby Town USA

Located at 3515 Bristol Highway in Johnson City, Hobby Town offers a full range of hobby needs, from model rail roading, to automotive modeling and aviation modeling. A strong sponsor of JCRC, they offer JCRC club members a 10% discount. Phone: (423) 610-1010.



Benedict's Ace Hardware Store



Due to the sale of *Great Planes model parts and accessories*, Benedict's Ace Hardware is discontinuing their aircraft parts sales. Once the current inventory, shown in the picture below, is gone, they will be out of this product line with no plans to restock. Get stuff while you can. They are at 3607 North Roan Street in Johnson City; (423) 282-1950.

