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Official Newsletter of
Metrolina Control Line Society (MCLS)



**Flying Control Line Since
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AMA Chartered Club #1811**



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MCLS is also in association with:

Mecklenburg County Parks & Recreation Dept. through the
Waymer Aeromodelers Chapter of Academy of Model Aeronautics (WACAMA)
(MCLS Representatives to WACAMA are Sonny Williams & David Smith)

**The next meeting will be at Watt Moore's house
2393 Gill Jordan Road, Chester, SC 29706
Saturday, February 27th**

Flying in the morning, Lunch at Noon, more flying, Meeting at 2:00

President's Pen

February, 2016



I hope everyone has had a good start to their latest building projects for the upcoming spring flying season. We have had a few weeks of seasonally cold temps, but in our region of the country we are fortunate to have pretty much year-round flying weather. Get out and enjoy any of the warm days when you can. Winter is not over yet, and the flying season is still a couple months away.

Park Department News

I attended a Wacama meeting in January as a representative of MCLS. It was very informative on issues concerning Waymer field, and I feel that we have never had a better relationship with Mecklenburg County Parks Dept. The Board Members of Wacama are working hard to represent both of the Clubs that are using the field for daily flying, planned local events and AMA Sanctioned contest at the field. David Smith and Sonny Williams do a great job of representing the club and communicating our concerns to the county at the meetings.

The Wacama board is processing the Park Pass and Keys for all members who are applying for a pass. I highly recommend all users of the field to support the site by purchasing a pass. The county and club officials will be monitoring the flyers for AMA license and park passes for compliance.

The solar powered charging station will be in operation soon. It will provide 12 volt power for anyone that needs to charge the flight batteries for their electric models. The charging station will be accessible only to park pass and gate key holders.

Club News

The January Christmas party was well attended this year, I will send a photo to include in the newsletter. Good food, good fellowship and fun times.

Curtis Comer

Long time MCLS club member Curtis Comer has moved to an assisted living center in Eastern Tennessee. Curtis has been in declining health over the past couple of years and had to be moved to a center that is close to his son, Curt. Please keep Curtis and his family in your prayers, Curtis is one of the many people responsible for the growth of our club. With Curtis' leadership skills, direction and guidance, with many years served on the Advisory board for the flying site, Curtis has helped us secure and improve our flying site. Every Control line flyer that uses the field are reaping the benefits that people like Curtis Comer, John Hagan, Pat Robinson and Sonny Williams have sown .

MCLS May Contest.

The May contest is April 29, 30 and May 1 2016 We are having Basic Flight, OTS, N-30 and Profile stunt , Carrier and Combat on Saturday, PAMPA skill classes on Sunday.

MCLS 35th Anniversary

The 35th Anniversary of the AMA Charter of Metrolina Control Line Society contest will be October 14, 15 and 16 , 2016, We need to complete plans for the special contest, special awards and give-away items, and special prizes for each event. We will have a banquet on Saturday and event trophies presented Saturday night, along with other special once every 5 year activities.

MCLS February Club Meeting

The next club meeting of Metrolina Control Line Society will be Saturday February 27th 2015 at 2:00 pm , We are meeting at the home of Watt Moore in Chester SC . We will fly at the field in the morning if weather permits. Have lunch served at noon, fly some more and then have meeting at 2 PM.

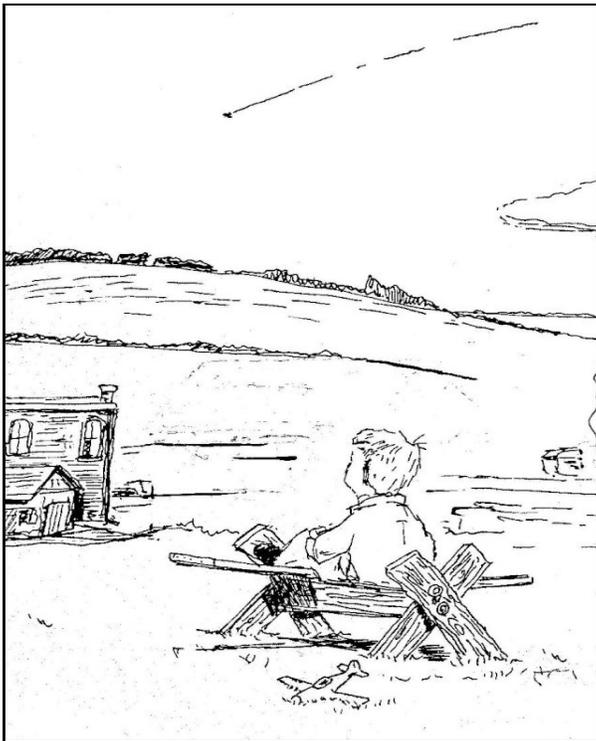
Keep on Keeping on!

Will Davis

President MCLS

The Editor's Sandbox:

Hello, MCLS members and newsletter readers. We are well into the new year now, and January surprised us with a few really nice flying days in my part of the land. That gives me my favorite reason to procrastinate on building my next modeling masterpiece, the one that will hopefully fly me out of Intermediate Stunt and into Advanced, Lol... Hey, at least I can dream.



For those who fly any model aircraft at Waymer field, you must possess a Park Pass, as well as a current AMA membership. For more information on these rules, follow this link to:

Waymer Aeromodeler Chapter AMA
Chapter #69

<http://wacama.com/index.php>

I've gotten lots of compliments on my new rendition of the newsletter. Thanks for that, I'm always looking for creative advice and content.

Please send me your input, articles, links and pictures whenever you can. All newsletter info should be sent to RknRusty@sc.rr.com



Left:
Watt showing Jo how he can hook a line.

Right:
Here's Howard Shenton wringing one out over Fort Jackson. It was a hazy smoky day, as the US Army was burning off the brush nearby.

See more about our expedition in the *Southern Carolina Gang's* flight report in this issue.

**Till next month,
Have fun, take care and
Replace your Divots!
-Rusty-**



The Southern Carolina Gang

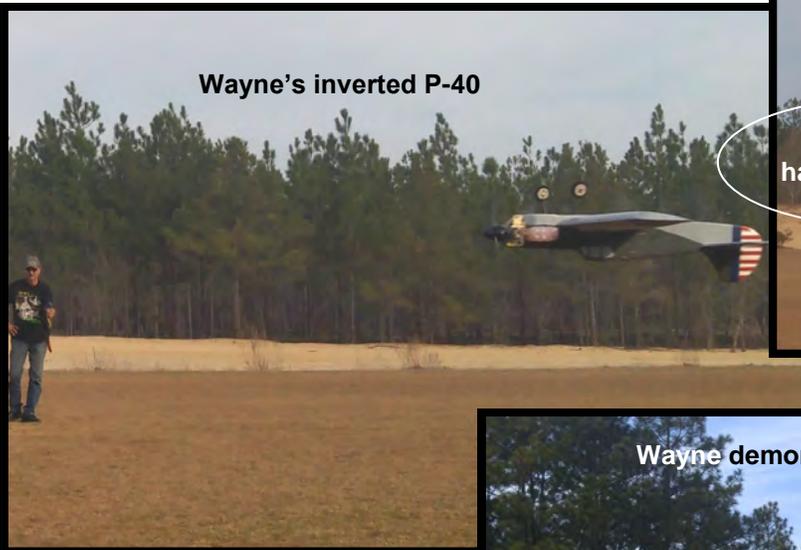
The South Carolina branch of the Carolina Gang is burning circles at Fort Jackson

January and February have brought us some great days to fly at Fort Jackson in Columbia, SC. The crowd usually consists of Wayne and me, with our Jackson Flyers President Jim Malek. Also frequent flyers are Bob Zambelli, Rich Malik, and lately Howard Shenton has been practicing and getting his Combat legs tuned up. Rich Malik is also one of our Combat guys that, like Howard, is re-igniting his Combat blood. So here are some stories, pictures and videos of our expeditions. We really should get a group photo one of these days.

January 31

Our special guest star this day was Howard Shenton. His mission was to work on getting his flying legs back under him and tune up his Combat skills. He brought some planes that were pretty fast for just tuning up, but by the end of the day, he was bustin' some moves, doing wingovers, inverted laps and eights.

Despite Wayne crouching next to him waiting for the handoff, Howard never let him have it, and flew out every tank of gas. Didn't even step on him.



Click this picture to learn more about the Buka Fighter Kites, and a get a look at our flight Line video. [→](#)



To learn about Buka Kites, go to: [Fighter Kite Central](#)

January 24

We also had a visit from my buddy Ron Cribbs of Oklahoma. He was in the area to work on electronics at Shaw and McIntyre Air Bases. So We put the handle in his hand and let him get some flying time in between his work days.

This is my old Goldberg Shoestring that just got an amazing engine swap. It now sports an OS Max-S .35 with an aluminum Zambelli venturi and no muffler. It growls the prettiest 4-2 break, turning on and off like Swiss clockwork. Take a look at the movie and listen to a perfect stunt run.

Ron was being politely cautious even though I told him to cut loose.



[Click here for the Shoestring flight](#)



[Click to watch it fly](#)

This scratch built Primary Force is about the coolest sport profile ever.

Powered by an LA .25 it's quick and agile, and takes a really nice picture too.

January 14

Bob Z. came out with us and flew some planes including his Jezebel with twin Fox 19 engines.

He also brought the Euclid, pictured right, and flew it once, then decided he didn't like it anymore and gave it away to whoever wanted to take it. Ha! That is hilarious.



Letters & Stories from our readers - you send it, we print it

Will Davis sends us an update on his Fanfare rebuild. After it suffered an unfortunate unplanned landing in the high winds of Whitehouse Field in the King Orange International contest, he decided a re-design was in order.

Originally the last plane designed (I think) by the late Allen Brickhaus, its new name still embraces Allen's musical artistry and creative modeling style, and so the Fanfare hereby continues on as:

The *Troubadour*



Will built a new wing and added some modifications to make it a better flying model in the wind, and to make the electrical mechanics more serviceable.

Gotta get me some of that checkerboard trim coat. I wonder if he painted all of those squares.



This page is for your flight reports, builds, and whatever else you'd like to share with our readers. So no matter if you are in this club or another, or even none at all... get out and have some fun, because without your contributions we'll have to leave this page empty.

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The Pitts Special Centerfold

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Brodak - www.brodak.com

Complete Control Line hobby shop and manufacturer of supplies and kits
Also publishes **Control Line World (CLW) magazine**, which covers all aspects of CL activities.

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100 Park Avenue
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Bob Machado's Museum and Gallery: www.hobbyistparadise.com.

Bob's contact info: bobandedy@aol.com

Phil Brown's Web site: www.mastercontrollinelinksite.info/

A complete listing of control line web sites.

Stunthangar - www.stunthanger.com

Stuka Stunt - www.cstunt.com/htdocs/dc/dcboard.php

Tulsa Glue Daubers Website - www.tulsacl.com/

PAMPA - www.control-line.org/

You must be a member of PAMPA to access many areas of this valuable site:

Flying Lines Website - <http://flyinglines.org/>

Great site out of the Northwest. Lots of columns on all aspects of CL modeling.

Thomas Wilk's Cartoons - tawilk36@cpinternet.com

A collection of humorous aviation cartoons which are frequently posted on the [Flying Lines](#) website.

VENDORS CORNER

The following are club members and frequent contest attendees who provide parts, tools and supplies

If you find any dead or erroneous links, addresses or phone numbers, please notify me at RknRusty@sc.rr.com

Norine Armish - Phone: 717-805-4457. Email: karmish@ptd.net

We are a small, neighborhood shop in Selinsgrove, PA. I do artwork on wood, tin and slate, and I have two associates who do stained glass and crochet.

Website: <https://www.facebook.com/ArmishsCountryStar>

Phil Cartier - Phone: 717-566-3810. Email: philcartier@earthlink.net

Combat & Stunt kits, Cores & misc. combat & Stunt CL items.

Website: <http://home.earthlink.net/~philcartier/webcat/catalog.html>

Tom Dixon - Phone: 770-592-3279. Email: bdixon@mindspring.com. (Does not use email-Call)

Plans and accessories for the stunt flyer. Double Starr engine importer. Stunt eng. mods.

Website: <http://tomdixon.tripod.com/tomdixon.htm>

Bob Krug - Phone: 923-696-1291. Email: rlkrupa@sbcglobal.net

Supplies Powermaster fuel and other miscellaneous items for sale at contests. Does not ship fuel. Contact him for contests he will attend.

Jim Lee - Phone: 785-266-7714. Email: jlee9@cox.net

Expertly machined parts and tools for model building.

Website: www.leemachineshop.com

Bob Machado - Phone: 508-404-6376. Email: bobandedy@aol.com.

Buy /sell CL and everything else from the website info. Also has a model museum.

Website: <http://www.bobmachadosgallery.com>

Brian Malin - Phone: 321-537-1159. Email: brian@bmjrmodels.com

Laser cut FF, CL & RC kits.

Website: www.bmjmodels.com

Bill Mandakis - Phone: 336-499-1192. Email: mandakis@bjm-home.com

Brodak distributor

Website: <http://www.bjm-home.com/modelshop/openingselectionwindow.html>

Watt Moore (Brodak distributor) - Phone: 803-789-9430, 803-517-1153 Email: medplans@truvista.net.

He can order anything from the Brodak catalog or may have it in his shop.



Stunt Hangar Hobby
314-723-6112

Tom Morris - Phone: 256-820-1983. Email: ctmorris@cableone.net

Extensive line of built models. Electric supplier.

Tom's supplies are available through <http://stunthanger.com/hobby>

John Saunders - Phone: 856-697-0656. Email: Stiletto46@comcast.net.

Look for John at contests with all sorts of CL supplies. Brodak Dealer.

Randy Smith - Phone: 687-407-9376. Email: Randy@aero@msn.com

Full service stunt items, Engine tuners, Plans, Props. Engines, etc...

Website: <http://www.aeroproduct.net>



Metrolina Control Line Society

AMA Club # 1811

2016 Membership Application

Name _____ **AMA #** _____

Birthday (M D ?) _____
No Day : (Year) is optional if you want it known

Spouse / or? _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Home Phone _____ **Cell Phone** _____

email _____

General Interests / Comment _____

Control Line Flying nterest Stunt (St) Combat (Cb) Speed (Sp) Sport (Sr)
 Carrier (Cr) Scale (Sc) Racing (Ra)

Current Membership Status **2016 Member**

Membership Dues	<input type="checkbox"/> \$0 JR/SR AMA Member or ASSOCIATE non flying member <input type="checkbox"/> \$20 INDIVIDUAL or non flying member wanting to support the club <input type="checkbox"/> \$25 FAMAILY- Only if all members are flyers. Need seperate applications for all family members. <input type="checkbox"/> \$0 NEWSLETTER ONLY- MCLS Membership not required but we would like your personal information for our mailing list. AMA card not required
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Mark up any changes or corrections to your information and send or give me the application with a check, Money Order or \$. If there are no changes just fill in the YELLOW areas. I will give the dues money to the tres., Watt, and supdate the database

Make Checks or Money Order Payable to:
 Metrolina Control Line Society
 Send to

Howard Shenton
 310 Drury Lane
 Mauldin, SC 29662

Phone: 864-963-3504
 email: panzer4hs2001@yahoo.com

:Please include a
 Copy of your current
 AMA MEMBERSHIP CARD
 if possiable

**You must be an 2016 AMA member
 to fly with us at Waymer field**

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Huntersville, NC

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Interstate 40 - Statesville, NC

30 Miles

177 Exit 23

Ramada Inn
704-875-1165

Best Western
704-875-7880

10 Miles

Interstate 85. Charlotte. NC

