



March 26, 2019

AMA Chartered Club # 4095

New: Indian Town Road, Vienna

38°30'30.76"N 75°48'51.66" W

Old: 6035 Shiloh Camp Road, Hurlock, MD

## ***IGNITER***

Dear Member,

This April newsletter is coming out early so don't anybody think the April club meeting is next Wednesday or even the one after that. Our next Club meeting is on April 10.

In what seems like the Bill Murray movie "Groundhog Day" we find ourselves looking at another new field due to unforeseen circumstances. For those of you keeping score, this will be the new, new, new field. It turns out that the field on Rhodesdale Vienna Road which we have been working on laying out is much shallower than we need to get runway, pits and parking in. The irrigation simply covers too far into the corner to leave us what we need. I am sorry to have

encouraged everybody to get excited about the field before we had it tied down.

Our new landlord offered another field for our consideration which doesn't have a street address assigned yet- but should have one once we get our building permits sorted out. I have included a best guess layout below after considering the options with officers and key club volunteers and discussing preferences with our Contest Directors.

This field is located in a 1,300+ acre field with only one neighbor- which is a historical building that is not occupied. The folks who maintain the historical site were presented with our intention of moving into the neighborhood and their Board welcomed us as neighbors with a couple of understandings: 1) we don't fly over their house, and 2) we work out our event schedules so that we aren't interfering with each other. Those sounded reasonable, and we are attempting to move our building permits to the new site. We still have woods along the left side of the field, but open field (except for where the house is) on the right side. We have Indian Town Road along the front of the field, which means that we will have to be mindful when we cross it to fly on the other side. The AMA safety code binds us not to fly over occupied houses or moving vehicles. The site is about 1,250 feet wide, so we have twice the runway length compared with where we fly now for approach and takeoff. We have about 500' of depth which allows us to leave a grass buffer between our runway and Indian Town Road. We can extend the maintained runway or just use the extra area as 'rough' to help us make our approach. The site is high and sandy like our current field, so that access isn't an issue nor is wet field or driveway going to be an issue. We have almost 12 acres for our use, which will allow for Event parking and RV campers to make themselves at home.

We have had the IMAC guys, the Jet guys, and the Control Line guys out to have a look as well as random club members curious about what we are looking at. Once again, we think we can make it work, but we also need

member support to make this move a success. I will say it again, that we are all weary of pondering an uncertain fate. That takes a toll on us all, and I am asking for as much positive thinking as we can muster to get us relocated so that we can adjust to our new home.

The plan for this year remains the same as it has been since the 'new Baker Rd field'- we will begin to construct the critical structures as time and weather permit. We will wait to move the center pavilion and the 'Ag Building' until we have permits, and will attempt to coordinate our scheduled events around field conditions at both the old field and the new field. So please continue flying as usual this Spring at the old field, join us when you have time to help with a new field work project, and continue our policy of being good neighbors where ever we find ourselves flying.

You can put the coordinates into Google Earth to have a look 38°30'30.76"N 75°48'51.66" W -- or search for Handsell at 4837 Indian Town Road, Vienna, MD ( <http://www.restorehandsell.org/> )

See you soon,

Jack



## A Meeting was called to order on . . .

March 13, 2019 at the Train Station at 7pm with 18 members present. The Treasurer reported \$2,527.58 in checking and \$2,009.48 in savings.

Duane and Jack reported on a recent meeting at PGRC where the AMA officials Chad Budreau and Tyler Dobbs reported on meetings held with the FAA in Washington DC. Much of the recent federal activity has been driven by Homeland Security. The FAA and our AMA continue to work for cooperation which does not impact their workload having to regulate our hobby or interfere with our hobby. Rest assured that there is much ongoing discussion happening in this regard, and membership in an AMA club is still the best chance any of us has to maintain our ability to peacefully fly our model aircraft.

The new, new field on Rhodesdale Vienna Road was discussed. Final layout was reviewed and the members unanimously approved working out the final details and getting a lease signed.

The meeting was called to a close at 7:42.

# The Official 2019 Club Calendar- Check the website for more up to the minute schedule changes.

- April 10 - Club meeting at the Train Station 7pm
- April 27 - Jet Rally
- May 8 - Club meeting at the Train Station 7pm
- June 12 - Club meeting at the Field 7pm
- June 15-16 - IMAC Competition

- July 10 - Club meeting at the Field 7pm
- August 10-11 - Jim Coll Control Line Stunt Contest
- August 14 - Club meeting at the Field 7pm
- August 18-19- IMAC Competition
- September 11 - Club meeting at the Field 7pm
- October 9 - Club meeting at the Train Station 7pm
- November 13 - Club meeting at the Train Station 7pm
- December 11 - Christmas Party Meeting 7pm — at the Train Station - potluck

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**Happy Birthday to You . .**

Anthony Lane

Steve Piasecki



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