

Igniter newsletter

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AMA Chartered Club # 4095

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Dear Member,

We are approaching the Jim Coll Stunt Contest this weekend and then the second IMAC event a couple of weeks after. We appreciate members stepping up to help make the events work, as well as those members who come to watch. In a sense, every member supports these events in one way or another since we are Sharing our field for the weekend event and giving up our own personal use.

As always, there are news stories of people doing stupid things with drones and lasers. We have not had any adverse incidents at our field involving full scale aircraft despite the regular flyover by those Wart Hogs, and even the crop dusting activities right in front of the runway. As a reminder, full scale aircraft ALWAYS win and model aircraft always lose in the event of a conflict. The Ridgely club does not exist today in large part due to a conflict with the hang glider activity at their field. I witnessed a crop duster make a couple of circles over the field the other day before initiating his work in a nearby field. I took that as a courtesy warning. Common sense should tell us that when something like this is going on, we need to ground our planes and wait for open sky. I would not recommend taking the opposing position that we are permitted to fly in the airspace up to 400 feet. We are, but would not do well in the event of a problem that generated a complaint to the

The 10' tall corn has grabbed at least two of our planes and despite hours spent searching, neither has been recovered. My comments are in recognition of members willing to wade through corn helping each other, as well as the respect shown for the crops so that damage is avoided during the search. We even arranged a flyover by a County Sheriff aircraft looking for signs of our lost planes and some fixed wing video efforts to help us focus the search efforts. It is good to have friends.

Below are a few photos taken recently at the field as well as that crop duster well below 400 feet.

See you at the field,

Sincerely,

Jack Upchurch

Club Calendar -

including our events, events of Interest, and other local club events

- Pizza Palace at 5:30 before the meeting
- August 12- 7pm -- Club Meeting at the FIELD
- August 8-9 -- Jim Coll Memorial Control Line Stunt
- August 12 -- 7pm-- club meeting

Contest

- August 22-23 -- IMAC
- September 9 7pm club meeting
- September 12 ESAC Fun Fly
 October 14 Zam glub
- October 14 -- 7pm -- club meeting
- November 11 -- 7pm -- club meeting - officer voting
- December 9 -- 7pm --Christmas Party Meeting

Happy Birthday to YOU !!!

Dennis Blades - August 1

Warren Tarte - August 27

Ken Weaver - August 24

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crop dusting at the field

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Our local Hobby shop:

Members are encouraged to support our two local hobby stores:

Hobby Stop in Seaford.

Hobby Town in Easton. Located at 106 Marlboro Ave, Easton (in the Ledo Pizza / Rita's strip)

410-822-7801



practice



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before



jacks back



safety in practice



it flies



good neighbors



cub reborn

A meeting was called to order . . .

At 6:45 pm on July 8 at the field. Our pizza was all eaten early and we took a chance that nobody would show up on time to find us done with our meeting. The Treasurer reported \$2284.33 in checking and \$2036.21 in savings.

The plans for the Jim Coll Control Line Stunt contest were reviewed. Field maintenance, trophies, change box, food and judging are all in place. Some score keepers and runners are still needed. We will offer a couple of side dishes donated by members to accompany the dogs and burgers. You know who you are if you volunteered some food for the weekend.

It was reported that a successful field lease negotiation session had resulted in the club exercising a 5 year option for continued use of the field through 2021 and obtaining an additional 5 year option for beyond that. Please don't forget to thank our landowner, Bob Humphries when you see him next. We have a great place to fly thanks to him, and the cost is reasonable. He could get more than \$750 per year renting the land out for watermelons, so every flight we take is part paid for by dues, part paid for through event donations and part gift from Bob. Remembering that we are guests in the neighborhood is always a good way of being welcome into the future.

There being no business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.

About Eastern Shore Aeromodelers Club

We are an AMA chartered club, with membership open to those with an interest in things that fly. Check out our website, come to the field and watch us play with our toys, and join us if you like what you see.

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Let us know how we measure up. Comments, critique welcome.



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