

April 1, 2020

AMA Chartered Club # 4095

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Dear Member,

Happy April Fools Day!

Last month, I thought we had a good year started and was pleased with the FAA proposed rules comments that members submitted. Now I am focused on things more important than flying model aircraft- toilet paper for one thing. Being a firm believer that all of us are ruled by an 'inner 2 year old' who keeps telling us that we are the center of the universe, I am not happy about some authority telling me what not to do. Smile if this sounds familiar?

The official club schedule is this:

Everything is on hold until further notice.

I will get the website updated today and we will look for the first chance to get back to normal. The Town of Hurlock has closed the Train Station, the pizza place isn't open for dine-in and despite my protests, the Governor has not listed RC model clubs as necessary and vital (although perhaps if you were to walk your dog while flying and pick up some groceries on the way, you might avoid the jail time). No Skip- do not try this no matter what that inner 2 year old is telling you. I had to beg for a letter from my business so that if I was stopped driving, I could show a good reason- apparently Owners are not considered necessary personnel either these days.

My approach is to take things day by day and cancel things as it becomes necessary. This is a very fluid situation with most of the news favoring more disruption to our regularly scheduled lives. Being in the healthcare field, I endure weekly closed group briefings designed to help the system better coordinate itself. Those meetings have gone from collecting information, to planning, to organizing and now to bracing for impact, with discussion starting about picking up the pieces after. Two of my business associates are doing well recovering from the virus in NYC. (there is life after Corona Virus) I believe that we can each sacrifice some of our independence in support of the group well being for a while, and feel that this reduced activity will help lessen the burden on our health care system in the short run. In the long run, we are Americans and we are all about individuals doing as they please. Please do next to nothing for a while.

See you at the field one day soon,

Jack

Thought I would just leave this picture in place so we know what the field looks like when things are normal.



A Meeting was called to order on . . .

March 11, 2020 at the Train Station at 7pm with 12 members present. The Treasurer reported \$1,686.40 in checking and \$888.28 in savings with all bills paid.

We discussed the events schedule and an opportunity to put a static RC airplane display at Handsell on July 25. We agreed to work that out as well as see if we can have an instructor pilot available to Buddy Box with anybody interested. We will also try to have some food cooking for a sort of club picnic and to have food to lure visitors down to see what we are up to.

The potential disruption to our event schedule due to the virus outbreak was discussed. It is too soon to tell what the impact will be, but we will make the best of whatever comes.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm.

The Official 2020 Club Calendar- Check the website for more up to the minute schedule changes.

- April 8 CANCELLED Club meeting
- April 25 -- Field Closed-Handsel Chicone Village Day ??
- May 3 ?? IMAC Judging
 School demonstration flying
 9-12 noon
- May 13 ?? Club meeting at the Train Station 7pm
- June 10 ?? Club meeting at the Train Station 7pm
- June 20-21 ?? IMAC

- July 8 ?? Club meeting at the Train Station 7pm
- August 8-9 ?? Jim Coll
- August 12 ?? Club meeting at the Train Station 7pm
- August 15-16 ?? IMAC
- September 9 ?? Club
 meeting at the Train Station
 7pm
- October 10 Field Closed Handsell Jamboree
- October 14- ?? Club meeting at the Train Station 7pm
- October 17 ?? Jet Rally

- November 11 ?? Club
 meeting at the Train Station
 7pm
- December 9 ?? Christmas
 Party Meeting 7pm at the
 Train Station potluck

Happy Birthday to Us . . .

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