

August 6, 2020

AMA Chartered Club # 4095

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Dear Member,

I will start with a reminder that our website has a calendar on the home page and I keep this as up to date as possible. The website will be the absolute best place to see if we are having an event or not. If you were to check today, you would discover that the Jim Coll Stunt Contest has been cancelled for 2020 AND you would see that we have a meeting scheduled for next Wednesday at the field as well as the IMAC contest is still scheduled. As baffling as this might seem, there is some logic behind it all.

- The Governor has amended the restrictions to continue to allow outside gatherings but HAS ADDED a recommendation to mask inside or outside when 6' social distancing cannot be maintained.
- The folks we cater to for the Jim Coll event come from all over the place and a large number from a State where there is a quarantine imposed upon return from out of state travel, so many folks were bowing out.
- The IMAC folks have been generally meeting to compete during this season and indicated a desire to come to our event.

Our club has maintained a dual focus on supporting individual member activities as well as supporting the hobby in general whenever possible. So both events were handled from a consistent policy- in one case, the members and guests were showing reduced interest and in the IMAC case, there remains a strong indication of interest. We will ask participants to wear masks whenever they cannot properly distance and club volunteers will have temperatures checked as well as requiring masks when carrying out duties that impinge on that 6' open space requirement.

Glen has furnished the soil test results from the field and some recommendations for the various grass options. Our site is particularly problematic given the sandy soil and the lack of irrigation, but it appears that some lime would help things grow. That is in line with what our farmer landlord knows and we will discuss these results at the meeting with an eye towards taking the most economical next step we can. Luckily, mother nature has provided ample water and our grass/weeds are filling in well and growing vigorously at the moment.

There is a club meeting next Wednesday at the field 7pm. Depending on weather, some of us could be there flying before the meeting.

See you soon,



A Meeting was called to order on . . .

July 8, 2020 at the Field at 6:45 pm with 12 members present. The Treasurer reported \$2,196.05 in checking and \$888.33 in savings with all bills paid. There have been donation receipts and one new "Life Member" which has taken some of the pressure off of the club finances. The IMAC event also generated some gain to the club treasury.

Club members tested the new "HotDog Roller" which will allow future event cooking to focus on hamburgers on the grill with hotdogs/ sausages handled on the electric device.

Upcoming events were discussed: Jim Coll scheduled for August 8-9 needs volunteers; IMAC scheduled for August 15-16 comes with Kenny and Wife handling everything but food, so that event is staffed; the Jet Rally needs to be cancelled and re-evaluated once the field stabilizes due to the roughness of the field and the cost of the airplanes.

Glen and Zach reported on their grass seed checking- Bermuda grass for 4 acres would cost \$2,200.00 for seed and Bluegrass would be around \$1,700.00. Fescue grass is not viable due to the fact that we cut so short. It was noted that soil fertility would likely also require attention if we were to try to plant grass and have it grow. The "wiregrass/weeds" that is currently growing has begun to grow in, and Glen referenced it as Common Bermuda, which is already establishing itself. Jack Rosemere agreed to roll the runways and control line circles after significant rains to get a smoother soil base and it was hoped that the grass would eventually fill in and make a smoother place to land.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55pm.

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

- August 8-9 Jim Coll
 CANCELLED
- August 12 Club meeting at the Field 7pm
- August 15-16 IMAC
 Scheduled

- October 14- Club meeting at the Field 7pm
- October 17 Jet Rally -CANCELLED
- November 11 Club meeting at the Field 7pm

- September 9 Club meeting at the Field 7pm
- October 10 Field Closed -Handsell Jamboree

December 9 - ?? Christmas Party Meeting 7pm — at the Train Station - potluck unlikely, but stay tuned

Happy Birthday to Us . . .

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