



ARCS News

Nov 9, 2015

Club Meeting, Friday November 13th, 7PM at Walt's Hobbytown

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President's Message:

Now that daylight savings time has ended evening flying has also ended. Time to go into winter mode! To that end, there are a few things going on:

- The planning for the 20th annual Model Forum is under way. It will be on February 6th at the Syracuse Academy of Science. The next planning meeting will be on Friday, Nov 20th at the CIA Gym, 7:30. We welcome fresh ideas!
- Walt's Hobbytown's annual Secret Santa Sale is on Nov 21st. As in past years we will have a table to display club information, airplanes, etc. There will be many good sales in the store and lots of interesting things to look at.
- Our annual Christmas Party will again be held at Anheuser Busch. Many thanks to Kevin Kiniry, our connection to this wonderful facility. Details and a map will be provided in the December newsletter.
- Our annual New Years Day Fly-In will be on, guess when, you're right, New Years day! The fun starts at 11 AM. The club will provide burgers, dogs and sodas. More details next month.
- Al Metz and I were invited to a Cub Scout meeting in Dewitt to demonstrate RC airplanes. There were around 35 boys there and they loved it. We were able to fly some quads and night vapors in their gym and answered lots of really good questions. This was about the best behaved group of scouts I've ever seen.
- The AMA continues to do battle with the FAA, DOT and any other gov't agency that seems to want to poke it's regulatory nose into our hobby! The latest thing is the desire to register our "drones". See the article on page 3 for more information.
- There has been an issue with the Town of Marcellus regarding our field. It was first presented as a noise complaint but it appears that the town is just trying to make life a little more difficult for us. I'll keep you posted on this issue as I learn more about it. One thing that I ask is that we do our best to keep the noise down so that no one can complain. I have a sound meter with me at all times so I'd be happy to check any planes at any time to be sure they are in compliance.
- I also want to appeal to our longer term members: If anyone can state that a model airplane has been flown at the Marcellus airport before 1966, even just once and not necessarily related to the club, then the town would drop the issue as we would be grandfathered in. If you know of any model airplane activity there, free flight, control line, etc. please let me know immediately! Thanks.

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- Bad weather cutting into your flying time? Consider joining the Camillus Indoor Aviators. For more information see <http://camillusindooraviators.blogspot.com/> or contact John Spencer (315-247-2716) or Phil Artese (315-382-5841) or Bob Preske (315-487-1286).

See you at the meeting!

Herb.

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Aero Radio Club of Syracuse
Syracuse Thunderbirds Aero Radio Society
Central New York Indoor Flying Society
Camillus Indoor Aviators

Jointly Present the 20th Annual

***MODEL AIRCRAFT FORUM
and Electric Fly-In
[Swap Shop too!]***

**Saturday, February 06, 2016
9 AM to 4 PM**

at

Syracuse Academy of Science Charter School
1001 Park Avenue, Syracuse, New York, 4 blocks from Hiawatha Exit off 690 East

AMA Sanctioned! AMA membership required to fly!

**ELECTRIC and RUBBER FLYING HELD IN 80' x 80' x 24' INDOOR FACILITY
in separate large room**

**AIRCRAFT STATIC DISPLAY and Swap Shop (no commission)
STARS/ARCS FLIGHT SCHOOLS and RC FLIGHT SIMULATORS
HOBBY VENDORS and WALT'S HOBBYTOWN
Concession Stand open all day!!**



**Admission - \$5.00
Children 6 to 12 - \$1.00
Children 5 and under - free**



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Bring your Indoor Aircraft and Fly with Us

See back for map

ARCS Membership Application/Renewal

Date: _____

Name: _____

Please Check all that apply:

Address: _____

____ New Member initiation fee \$ 5.00

City: _____ State: _____

____ Junior Member (under 18, parent *NOT* a member) \$10.00

Zip: _____ Phone: _____

____ Junior Member (under 18, parent *IS* a member) \$ 0.00

Mobile Phone _____

____ Senior Member (over 65) \$25.00

E-Mail: _____

____ Regular Member (18-65) \$45.00

AMA Number: _____

____ Late Fee (after Jan. 31, Renewals only) \$ 5.00

Submit this form and payment to:

Add up all applicable fees \$ _____

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Academy *of Model Aeronautics* Member Communication Tuesday, October 20, 2015

Dear Members,

As you might be aware, in a press conference on Monday October 19, 2015, the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) announced its intent to require registration for certain small unmanned aircraft systems (sUAS). Led by Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx and FAA Administrator Michael Huerta, a concept was laid out calling for the creation of a task force to develop a plan to implement the registration process. AMA was represented at the press conference by Government and Regulatory Affairs Representative Rich Hanson who offered comments on behalf of our organization. Representatives from the Association for Unmanned Vehicles Systems International (AUVSI) and the Air Line Pilots Association also provided input. A video of the press conference can be found here.

<https://www.transportation.gov/fastlane/uas-registration-announcement>

AMA has also been invited to participate in the task force which has been charged with completing its work by mid-November 2015. The DOT is looking at the full spectrum of sUAS that would be subject to registration, and AMA agrees that registration may be appropriate at some level; however, before the process can be established, AMA believes that a threshold must be identified that will determine which platforms, what aircraft with what capabilities, will require registration and which will not. AMA believes that traditional model aircraft, as well as the "toy-type" drones with minimal capability would fall below the threshold and not be subject to the registration process. In a prepared statement released yesterday, <http://amablog.modelaircraft.org/amagov/2015/10/19/media-release-ama-joins-dot-task-force-on-uas-registration/> AMA was clear in its position that any required registration process "should not become a prohibitive burden for recreational users who fly for fun and educational purposes and who have operated harmoniously within our communities for decades." AMA does not and will not support any proposal that calls for the registration of any sUAS that fall below an established threshold and is resolute in its position that all forms of traditional model aircraft must remain exempt from the registration process.

Calendar 2015

Fri, Nov 13	7PM	Walt's Hobbytown	Club meeting
Fri, Nov 20	7:30PM	CIA Gymnasium	Forum meeting
Sat, Nov 21	8:30-4:00	Walt's Hobbytown	Secret Santa Sale
Fri, Dec 11	7PM	Anheuser-Busch B'ville	Annual Christmas Party
Fri, Jan 1	11AM	Main Hangar at the airport	Annual NYD Fly-in
Fri, Jan 8	7PM	Walt's Hobbytown	Club meeting
Fri, Feb 5	6PM	Syracuse Academy of Science	Set-up for Forum
Sat, Feb 6	9:00-4:00	Syracuse Academy of Science	20th Annual Model Forum