

Pilot Briefing

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Upcoming Events– March

5th—Regular Meeting – 7 PM PUMC

10th– CPAA Flea Market Lebanon, PA

19th- Board Meeting—7 PM PUMC

31– Dutchess R/C/-MHRCS Radio Control Swap Shop

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President's Corner

Hi Everyone,

Well the relatively mild winter is almost over and after having just returned from the WRAM show, I am more than ready to do some serious flying.

The new WRAM show had some of the long time RC manufactures returning and it was great to see new life back in the show. Saturday's crowd was a very good size. It was hard to compare to the old location as this new place has a much larger layout. Suffice it to say that I saw lots of large boxes leaving the Show.

On Monday of this week, I had a discussion with Mike D. from the Aerodrome and it occurred to me that MHRCS should have a flyer about the MHRCS matching fund raiser grant to hand out at the Aerodrome booth at the WRAM show. So in 3 days MHRCS members and about 9 people from the Aerodrome pulled off producing a Poster and a handout. There were about 35 notes going back and forth in 2 days with everyone's inputs from suggestions on wording, to the Architectural picture of the proposed new gift shop / bathrooms building. This was a tremendous team effort and got approval from the Aerodrome all in 3 days.

You may ask why I bring this up? Well, while being in the middle of coordinating this poster effort for the Aerodrome, it reminded me how much I rely on members to help me out in the daily running of this club. We all have busy lives, myself included, But there are members of this club that just go out of their way and every drop everything to help out this club. So I would like to thank John Philbrick for his dedication this week when I once again asked him to pull off an impossible task. If it were not for people like John and many others this club would not be running as smoothly as it has for the last few years.

President's corner continued

So in the next newsletter I will try and highlight members that have gone above and beyond in helping run this club the past year or so. I myself, forget how much I call upon these people to get things done. It is my hope that, you the members, can also appreciate their efforts and thank them personally for their efforts.

Upcoming events.

March 31 Swap Meet with Dutchess RC Club in Pleasant Valley
April 1 Opening of Walkkill field.
April 2 MHRCS Project night
May ?? Lake Tagonic Float fly To be scheduled.

Project night:

At the April meeting there will once again be Project night.

There will be 4-5 categories to which you can enter your projects. More information will be sent out before the meeting. There will be nominal cash prizes given out. I encourage you to bring out your projects, finished or unfinished.

Judging will be strictly done by member's choice for each category.

SWAP MEET

Dutchess RC and MHRCS will have a Swap meet on St. March 31. Information and flyer are on our web site. If you plan on selling something you can contact me. There is a \$10.00 seller's fee to help offset with the hall rental fee.

Warren Batson
President

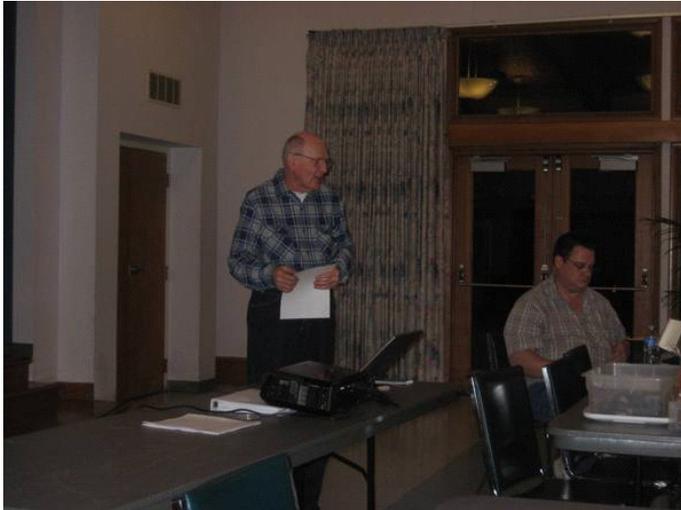


Our banner on display at the 2012 WRAM show. Good thing a sky hook was available to get it up there.

Pres. Batson asked that the following flier be included in the newsletter:

Dutchess R/C Inc.
And
Mid Hudson R/C Society Inc.
Radio Control Swap Shop
March 31, 2012
Pleasant Valley Presbyterian Church
1576 Main Street
Pleasant Valley, NY 12569
(With large White columns)
Across from CVS Pharmacy
Set up 8:00 AM
9:00 AM to 4:00PM
Each Table \$10.00
Bring own tables if possible as tables are limited
Please Pre Register Space Is Limited
Call Graham @ 845-505-4792 after 4:00PM

Some photos from Lloyd Quick's presentation on electrics at our February meeting. Thanks Lloyd for a very informative evening. And we know who to call if we have questions.



Charles gave a presentation on his quite elaborate jet. Loads of bells and whistles.....looking forward to a flight report. How about an article for the newsletter?

2012 WRAM Show..... By Ron Revelle

As you know, the location of the show was new this year. Hope your GPS maps were up to date! The GPS Drive MotionX app on my I-phone took me right to the front door. On entering the main room when the doors opened, our friend and District II Vice President, Eric Williams was on the job welcoming attendees. The AMA was well represented. In addition to Eric, it was a pleasure to chat with Executive Director Dave Mathewson about some younger days and to thank him for his work. AMA President Bob Brown and Executive Vice President Gary Fitch were in attendance as well. We have an outstanding team representing us.

President Batson has already given you an overview of the facility. I attended on Friday along with a sizable crowd. MHRCS had several members there on Friday. It was my pleasure to share a bite to eat with Jim Wood. Jim and I chatted a bit about the 1/4 scale B-25 which was on display. Jim had first hand experience with B-25's and provided me with some interesting insights on the plane that very few people would know. What a history that bomber has.



A big part of attending the show is bumping into old friends and catching up on things. My old friend Bob Noll, at the Vintage R/C Society booth, informed me that he has moved and downsized his home, but has plenty of building room in the basement. Many fond memories of staying at Bob's old home. I stayed at the show from opening till around about 3 PM when the bags I was carrying began to feel heavy enough and my wallet was sufficiently lightened. The weight of the bags I suspect was largely impacted by the 1900 ma 6 volt battery that I picked up from Steve of No BS Batteries. Hopefully it will help lesson the amount of lead that will have to hang off the nose of my Nieuport 17. Ok, enough for words, let's take a look at some of the beautiful planes on display. Beautiful enough to either motivate or discourage. Know what I mean?





And last but not least a WRAM show worker in the background. A bit out of focus because the shot was rushed knowing it was a rare moment finding him sitting down! Seriously, thanks Jonathan for the advice on the receiver. It is always a pleasure to see you and to have the privilege of watching you grow into such an outstanding young man.

CAVU till the next time, Ron Revelle