



Glitch Busters

June 2012

UPCOMING EVENTS

Lums Pond IMAC Challenge

June 9-10, 2012

Warbirds Over Delaware

July 11-15, 2012

Helis Over Delaware

July 27-29, 2012



NEXT MEETING

June 5

Newark Senior Center

AMA #197 / IMAA #687

PREZ SEZ

I attended the East Coast AMA Meeting at the Joe Nall event in South Carolina. The FAA is not happy with our success in Congress and we no longer have the liaison previously enjoyed with the rule making committee. We are reminded that they "still own the National Air Space", so we need to be prepared for some attempt to regulate us when the NPRM is issued.

The AMA has numerous publications on line that are full of useful information. Full archives from Model Aviation will soon be available and presumably searchable on line. In addition, there are other online newsletters and publications:

[AMA Insider](#) is a bimonthly newsletter for club officers and leader members.

[AMA Today](#) is a monthly newsletter that members can subscribe to that keeps you up-to-date on activities of the AMA.

[Sport Aviator](#) is a free e-zine from the AMA dedicated to helping new RC airplane pilots succeed.

[AMA Flight](#) Line is a youth newsletter aimed at young persons interested in model aviation.

[Nats News](#) is a PDF format newsletter published annually during the National Aeromodeling Championships (NATS)

Take a look at these resources; you may find something valuable in pursuit of our hobby

It's Tick Season again! Be sure to check your legs and body for these dangerous little critters; especially if you make a foray into the weeds or woods.

MAY MEETING MINUTES

The May meeting of the Delaware RC club was called to order at 7:30PM, Tuesday May 1st, by Club President John Kirchstein. There were 27 members in attendance.

Dick Slutz brought a unique electric powered plane in the form of an eagle! It has all the features and Tony Albence added feathering details. Dick says the "bird" flies really well and is controlled by throttle and V tail mixing on the radio. It is of foam construction, typical for the planes Dick has been successfully turning out for several years now.

MAY MEETING MINUTES (Continued)

Mark Weiss brought a completed Stevens Aeromodels Baby Rat 250, one of many planes he is bringing to the Joe Nall for the control line circles. It is a laser cut kit, electric powered, and reminiscent of the old Sterling Ringmaster. It also features an E-Flite timers where the duration of the engine run and the prop speed can be set. It is a good control line trainer and stunter, as well. It flies on 52 foot lines. Mark has 9 planes ready for the Nall and will report back at the June meeting.

Mark McQuaid reviewed the recent club expenditures and membership and the treasury remains solid. We were reminded to display our Park stickers as one recent violator was fined.

Safety was discussed again especially with all the FAA regulation making going on at the present time. Also brought up was the need for fliers in both flight lines to obey the boundaries of both heli's and fixed wing where they intersect. We have room for both if everyone cooperates.

Dick Stewart informed the club that the annual auction/swap shop will remain just that as there had been discussion about abandoning the auction due to lackluster recent results. That event is in November.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25PM with several members going to Tony's Restaurant for some pizza, friendly service, and other fine snacks.

AMA PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT ON FPV

Recreational FPV aeromodeling is a rapidly growing activity in the United States. For many, it's an exciting experience. FPV flight involves flying a radio-controlled aircraft while viewing the flight through a set of goggles or with a monitor that simulates the pilot's view as if he or she were sitting in the cockpit.

The AMA has a long record of evolving with new technical developments. In our more than 75 years, safety has been our primary concern in this evolution. AMA's current policy on FPV was created in 2008, with the encouragement and significant input of members who were then active in the growing discipline of FPV flight. Since that time, rapid advancements in FPV technology have occurred. Recently members and non-members have asked us to review our current guidelines. As a result AMA has begun to evaluate its FPV policy to see if it has kept pace with technology.

AMA PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT ON FPV (Continued)

As with any change in policy, AMA must carefully consider the impact that change may have on all other aeromodeling disciplines enjoyed by our more than 143,000 members. The threat of FAA regulation and the limitations that we believe the FAA will place on recreational model aviation in the near future also must be considered.

AMA thanks those who have taken the time to offer constructive suggestions concerning how the organization should approach FPV flight going forward. All of these comments will be taken into consideration as we consider the possible options.

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