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DAVENPORT RADIO CONTROL SOCIETY

President's Report

Hi all,

Not a whole lot going on at this time of year. I think the flying season is done or pretty darn close!! This was the goofiest flying season, weather-wise, that I can remember in a long time. Seems like the weather was always against us on the weekends anyway. We did manage to sneak in the Weenie Roast as scheduled on October 26th--but barely. We had, I think, 10 folks show up at one time or another. 6 or 8 fliers took to the skies thru the afternoon. The weather was one of those can't decide if you need shades or not, flat light kind of days with marginal temps. We got some flights in, and then, the clouds started to build a bit more and spitting some rain. We got the dogs heated up and chowed down just before the rain hit for real. May well have been the last flights of the season, but you never know, maybe we will get a warm stretch again!

The weed and feed has been put down, and the last mow done at the field. Thanks again to Floyd and Dave C. for keeping the field flyable all year long!!! No major maintenance issues to worry about til the spring. We did talk a bit at the board meeting about trying to re-coup some money from the AMA field improvement program. They have changed the program around a bit and sounds like we can apply for it every year so we may give that a whirl and see what we get?

There is some regulatory BS coming from the FAA that could be troubling, but nothing carved in stone yet. The wheels of the Government machine turn slowly--probably a good thing this time. The most troubling issue would be the hard altitude limit of 400 feet, no matter where you fly or what you fly. The glider guys got to be shakin' in their boots over that one!! We will see what happens, maybe pay attention to the AMA magazine they are pretty good about keeping us informed that way. There is an occasional "call to action" asking for letters to be sent to our representatives, and maybe, try to do that when asked? Certainly can't hurt !!

The meeting this month will be at Major's again--Jane has graciously given us access to the upstairs room again as the library is closed due to Veterans' Day. Thanks Jane and Matt!! Go ahead and place your orders with her for your winter projects while you are there for the meeting!!!

That's all I got, see ya at the meeting.

Steve

Swap Meet Season:

It is Swap Meet Season again. I try to post those close-by to us that I hear about in the Calendar below. I also share announcements on Facebook when I become aware. Also check the AMA Events Calendar.

Coming up next month is the Erie Club's Swap Meet at the QCCA Expo Center on December 7. Tables are on a 1st come, 1st serve basis from what I understand. Load-in starts at 7 with sales starting at 9.

Iowa City's Swap Meet is February 1. I understand that tables are going quite well. If you need to reserve space, contact Lance Meyer at the Aerohawks. I have his contact info if you need it.

On a side note, I will have a number of aircraft, engines, transmitters, etc., at each of the above. I hope to get a list out to the membership prior.

2020 Dues:

Dues for 2020 are now due. \$30 until January 31, 2020. Remember to check your AMA membership status also. I know mine is now due also.

Bits & Pieces:

As I was applying the fertilizer at the field a couple weeks ago, Ron Wicks from the church stopped by. He was very appreciative of all the mowing that Floyd Layton had been doing, thereby decreasing his workload. He was also looking forward to us flying there next year and trying to come observe. Thanks again to Adventure Community Church!

As always, please feel free to bring anything for Show and Tell. Also, if you have any ideas for a more formal program, please bring them up.

Thanks,
David Colgan
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CALENDAR

2019 Events:

Nov 11	DRCS Meeting	Majors Art & Hobby
Nov 23	16 th Annual Swap Meet	Decatur, IL
Dec 7	Erie R.C. Club Swap Meet	QCCA Expo Ctr., Rock Island
Dec 7	Freeport RC Modelers Swap Meet	Cedarville, IL
Dec 9	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave. Library

2020 Events:

Jan 13	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave. Library
Jan 26	R/C Auction & Swap	West Bend, WI
Jan 31	DRCS dues are due	
Feb 1	Iowa City Aerohawks Swap Meet	Coralville, IA
Feb 10	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave. Library
Feb 15	15 th Annual Swap Meet	St. Charles, IL
Mar 9	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave. Library
Apr 3-5	Weak Signals RC Show	Toledo, OH
Apr 13	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave. Library
May 11	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave. Library
Jun 8	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave. Library
Jul 13	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave. Library

*Check the Event Schedule either in **Model Aviation** or online (<https://www.modelaircraft.org/event-calendar>) for future details on non-club events! There are many more events within 200 miles.*

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Next Meeting

Monday, November 11th

6:30 p.m.

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