



AMA CHARTER 1458

# THE TRANSMITTER

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DAVENPORT RADIO CONTROL SOCIETY

## President's Report

Hi all,

Another month of lovely Iowa weather is behind us, and flying season approaches. I know everyone is anxious to get going at the new site, and I am, too. We have not had the weather cooperate long enough to get the final touches on the field that would allow us to open it just yet. Do not get discouraged; we will get it done soon and be able to safely enjoy our hobby, certainly with-in a couple of weeks at most, maybe sooner--stay tuned. As before, **PLEASE** do not venture out to fly until given the green light-- it won't be long I promise!! The field has been mowed a few times, and the layout should become more and more discernible as the grass comes in better. As I have mentioned (maybe once) before, the moisture at the site is our biggest concern. Dave noticed tracks behind the mower when mowing last week -- not ruts, but just tracks. Certainly, if someone had driven over it, there would have been ruts, so we are really going to have to pay attention when we do start driving on it. We need to get fence posts in to direct the traffic flow where it needs to go to get folks safely to the parking area. We have had a few dry days in a row now and hope to get the posts in this weekend. As I said before, we will notify everyone by e-mail and put it on the Facebook site when we are ready to go.

As always, current AMA and DRCS membership will be required to fly at the site so don't forget to renew both. Remember, for those who have not renewed yet, the re-initiation fee is waived until 6/1/19 so do it before you forget. As mentioned before, the FAA "drone" registration is in effect as well, so do that too. Our new site is registered with the AMA, and so we will have insurance when we are ready to go.

As far as other items go, I did get a request from the Cub Scouts to do a noon talk /demo on Tuesday, June 18th and Thursday, June 20th. These will take place at Scott Co. Park over the lunch hour of the large gathering of Scouts that week. I went out and scouted the area, and it would be very suitable for parkflier type planes, but probably no glow or gas. I will be getting more details later and will be needing some help on that one. Please check your schedules - thanks.

That's about all I got for now. We will need to gather up the old mat at Seven Cities at some point, but I am not in a big hurry to do that. More on all the above at the meeting. The meeting will be at the library at the usual time, 6:30. We are hoping to have some pics of the site to show and go over traffic pattern and parking and such. See you at the meeting,

Steve

**DRCS Registration**

As Steve noted, the initiation/rejoin fee has been waived for any of you that did not send in your dues by January 31. This offer is good until June 1, 2019. Dues are \$30 for regular members, and \$10 for Juniors (under 19). You can forward your checks to me at

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**Bits & Pieces:**

Maintenance plans at the new field: For the time being, I am transporting the tractor out to the field every week to mow. Current plans are to do that every Friday, late morning, weather permitting. Once we get a little more established, we will be looking for additional volunteers to mow occasionally. Another discussion topic for the meeting.

The Erie Club is hosting a T-Clips Fly-In on Saturday, June 1, to honor Tom Stoudt. Tom built and sold over 100 of his designed Taylor Craft. Tom is not doing well, healthwise, so they are trying to round up as many of these aircraft as possible for photos as well as some flying. Contact Doug Taylor for more details.

As noted in the calendar below, the Quad-City Skyraiders are having a Flood Relief Fundraiser at their field on Saturday, June 8. There will be a raffle, for sure. I do not know any other details. Contact a Skyraider member for more details.

I will have DRCS club t-shirts for sale (\$15) at the meeting on Monday.

FYI – Majors Art & Hobby dodged the flood waters but had significant seepage into their basements. Damage was minimal as Jane, Matt, and the crew worked endlessly to stay ahead of it. Of course, business was severely impacted. So, go down, visit, and relieve them of some of their inventory. I know they would appreciate it. Majors has been a great supporter of DRCS, even through our recent trying times.

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## CALENDAR

### 2019 Events:

May 11	Peoria R/C Modelers Open House	Chillicothe, IL
May 13	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Jun 1	Tom Stoudt T-Craft Fly-In	Erie, IL
Jun 7 - 8	Mike Gretz Memorial Fly-In	Montezuma, IA
Jun 7 - 9	Horizon RC Fest	Eli Field, Monticello, IA
Jun 8	QuadCity Skyraiders Flood Relief Fundraiser	Moline, IL
Jun 8 - 9	Dave Goerme Memorial Fun Fly	Streator, IL
Jun 10	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Jun 20 - 22	Windy City Warbirds & Classics	St. Charles, IL
Jun 29 - 30	Quad City Air Show	Davenport, IA
Jul 8	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Jul 13	Erie RC Warbirds for Honor	Erie, IL
Jul 19 - 21	Warbirds on the Warpath	Chillicothe, IL
Jul 20 - 21	Warbirds over Iowa	Marion, IA
Aug 11	Iowa City Aerohawks Airshow	Iowa City, IA
Aug 12	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Aug 17	RC Flight for Cancer	Morrison, IL
Aug 24 - 25	Iowa Pattern Championships	Marion, IA
Sep 9	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Sep 14	Fly N Swap	Morrison, IL
Sep 27 - 29	Fall Scramble Warbirds & Classics	Streator, IL
Oct 14	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Nov 11	DRCS Meeting	Eastern Ave Library
Dec 9	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.*

I am going to make a concerted effort to attend a couple of the above events this year to support our hobby. I would welcome others to attend with me.

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**Next Meeting**  
**Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>**  
**6:30 p.m.**

**Eastern Ave. Library**  
**Davenport, IA**

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