

Wing Tips

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The Newsletter of the Mid-Hudson Modelmasters

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Club Calendar

Coming Up:

- **Saturday, August 2 – Sunday, August 3, John Maggs Memorial Fun Fly**, EPA Field, Maalwyck Park, Scotia, NY. For more information see → www.rcstars.org/2014-epa-fun-fly.pdf
- **Saturday, August 9: - CLUB PICNIC / MEETING**, West Road Field. Set up will begin at 8:00AM. The fun fly will begin at 10:00 AM. Rain date: Sunday, August 10.
- **Saturday, August 23 – Sunday, August 24, Hampshire County Radio Controllers** will be hosting their annual "WINGS OVER HADLEY", For more information see → www.hampshirecountyrc.org
- **Thursday, Sept. 4: - September Wing Tips Article submissions due**, Send your submissions to wingtips@modelmasters.us
- **Saturday, Sept. 20 - CCRCC Big Biplane Bash, Farmington CT.** For more information see → <http://www.ccrclub.org/cms/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=-WEFzxE4UKk%3d&tabid=89>

Regular Events:

- **OUTDOOR FLYING SESSIONS AT WEST ROAD FIELD** - Every Saturday Morning, weather permitting. Charge your batteries and let's fly!

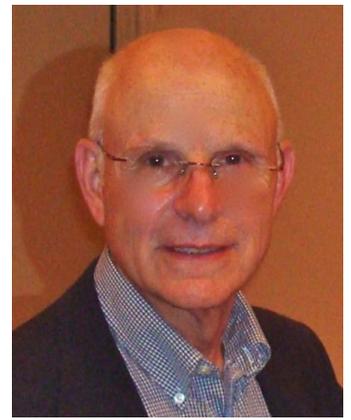
From the President's Cockpit

July has been a busy month both on and off the flying field. There was an excellent turnout at our July meeting at the field where flying conditions were ideal and members were treated to hot dogs, chips and soda. Turnouts have been good on Saturday mornings where maiden flights are often seen. New member, Bruce Fallon, after receiving flight instruction from Lloyd Quick had a maiden flight with his Super Cub. Junior member, George Amenta, had maiden



Bruce Fallon – maiden Super Cub flight

flights with his newly acquired Piper Cherokee and recently built combat wing. Brad had a maiden flight with his experimentally constructed layered aircraft as well as his combat wing. John Knight, Tom Eng, Lloyd Quick and Larry Kunz also had maiden flights with their combat wings.



I'm pleased to report that progress is being made regarding the mowing and general maintenance of our field. Lloyd donated his garden tractor, which was originally given to him by D.J. Amodeo and has agreed to leave it at the field where it is chained to a tree. Members are being instructed on how to use and store the tractor. The area to be mowed is in back of the runway including the parking section. Over the next few weeks several members, including myself, will be mowing the grass and giving feedback on the process. I will then seek volunteers and set up a work schedule. With enough volunteers the work commitment should be minimal. Lloyd and Bruce Fallon will be mowing the flying area in front of the runway.



Brad Quick - Combat Wing & foam Laminate

On July 12th Scott Fellin conducted an outstanding building workshop at Brad Quick's new manufacturing plant on Salt Point Turnpike. The work-shop was attended by 10 members who spent the day building a combat wing to be flown in competition at our picnic/fun-fly. The workshop provided an opportunity for both 1st time and experienced builders to learn new construction techniques using foam board and various adhesives. I wish to thank Brad for hosting the workshop and Scott for his many hours of preparation and in conducting the workshop. We learned a lot, had a lot of fun and enjoyed good fellowship.

On July 25th I met with Cameron Masker to discuss projects he will be doing at the field in partial fulfillment of his requirements to become an Eagle Scout. He and other members of his Boy Scout troop will be extending the ramp to the flying pads, reconstructing a flying pad, cleaning and repairing the picnic tables and improving the entrance look to our field. Work on these projects will not interfere with our Saturday flying.

Our annual picnic/fun-fly will take place on Saturday, August 9th, rain date the 10th. Our club is participating in National Model Aviation Day and money will be raised to support the Wounded Warrior Project in support of our veterans. See my article for details of the event.

Fly Safely, have fun and remember our hobby is as much about the people we met as the planes we fly. Bob

MODELMASTERS CLUB PICNIC/FUN-FLY – August 9, 2014

On August 9th, rain date the 10th, we will be having our 4th Annual Picnic/Fun-Fly. It promises to be a fun day. A series of aeronautical challenges that will appeal to all skill levels are being developed by contest director, Brad Quick. Again, this year our guests will have the opportunity to fly a trainer plane under the supervision of Lloyd Quick. On the grill will be hamburgers and hot dogs served with all the customary toppings. Fresh corn on the cob and delicious potato salad and coleslaw will also be served along with ice cold watermelon. And of course we would welcome any additional dishes and desserts that attendees would like to bring to share. We look forward to having a lot of fun and to the opportunity of showing our guests the kinds of things we do and how enthusiastic we are about our hobby/sport. To help defray the picnic expenses there will be a \$5.00 charge per person but children 10 and under

are free. You can pay at the picnic or in advance by sending a check made out to Mid-Hudson Modelmasters and mail it to me at [REDACTED].

Of special note is the fact that our event is registered with AMA this year to be conducted in conjunction with National Model Aviation Day which is officially being celebrated on August 16th. The event nationwide is also raising money for the Wounded Warrior Project in support of our veterans. Contributions will be solicited at our event.

I hope many of you will be able to attend our function. Thank you, Bob

MEETING MINUTES – July 11, 2014

1. Meeting was called to order by President, Bob Santoro at 7:02 pm.
2. A motion was made to accept the minutes of the June 14, 2014 meeting. Motion was carried.
3. Bob reported that there is \$1826.15 in the account.
 - a. Expenses included: Mowing- \$10.00
4. A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report. Motion Carried
5. Mowing Concerns: . We are still looking for a solution to the mowing of the field.
6. The flying wing build project is a go for July 12, 2014 at Brad's new facility. We thank Brad and Scott for their efforts.
7. There has been no news from New York State Governor's office about National Model Aviation Day.
8. Club Picnic will be held on Saturday, August 9 (rain date August 10). The cost will be \$5.00 per person. Set up will begin at 8:00AM. The fun fly will begin at 10:00 AM. Work responsibilities include:
 - a. Brad-Grill and fun fly.
 - b. Lloyd and (Bob A. ?)-Tables and Chairs.
 - c. Tom, Dom, and John-Cooking.
 - d. D J = Waste Management?
 - e. Bob will contact the town of Pleasant Valley for a Port-A-Potty.
9. Please note: Pleasant Valley Day is September 12 – 14. [Note the NEAT fair is Sept 11 – 14]. Those community members interested in flying will come to the field for flying demos and instruction.
10. Maiden Flights
 - a. Congrats to George on the maiden flight of his Cherokee. This plane was built as part of a build project two years ago.
 - b. Congrats to Grahame on the maiden flight of his Extra 300.
11. Show and Tell
 - a. Brad presented yet another Extra 300. This one was built up from laminations of flat foam to form the fuselage, wing, and tail feathers. Each lamination is smaller than the one it glued to, creating a stepped/modular appearance. It is anticipated that the steps can be hidden once the plane is covered in light weight film.
12. NEXT MEETING: Saturday, August 9 at Redl Field. (Same as the picnic).
13. Meeting was adjourned at 7:19pm

Respectfully submitted, Secretary J. Knight

MEET YOUR FELLOW MODELMASTER MEMBER – Caleb Irvin

1. How did you get into the hobby/sport?

My uncle Gary got me, Tyler and my dad in to the sport by buddy boxing and selling us some planes.

2. How long have you been in the hobby/sport?

I've be in the sport for two years.

3. What aspect of the hobby/sport are you most interested?

I enjoy practicing landing and getting better and better at landing.

4. What was your 1st plane?

My first plane was a thirty one inch P51 mustang.

5. Do you have a favorite Plane? If so which one and why?

My Favorite plane is my forty eight inch T28.

6. What is the most challenging part of the hobby/sport for you?

The most challenging part was landing.

7. Do you have goals regarding what you want to accomplish in the hobby/sport?

When I went to fly when I was just beginning I had a goal to make three good landing every time I flow.

8. Do you have other hobbies or areas of interest and if so what are they?

No this is the only hobby I've had.

9. Do you have any advise for new people getting into the hobby/sport?

I would advise them to buddy box with a club member and then when there good enough to buy and fly their own plane.



Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center by George Amenta



The Udvar-Hazy Center in Chantilly, Virginia is a companion facility to the Museum on the National Mall in Washington, DC. Opened in 2003, it has two huge hangars that display thousands of aviation and space artifacts, including a Lockheed SR-71 Blackbird, a Concorde, and the space shuttle Discovery. There is an IMAX theater (which was closed when I visited) and there is the Donald D. Engen Observation Tower, which gives you a 360-degree bird's-eye view of Washington Dulles International Airport and the surrounding area. We watched planes landing at Dulles while we were in the tower. Additionally, there is a shuttle landing simulator (free) which lets you try to land the shuttle at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida. This exhibit is a fairly simplistic version of a simulator (joy stick, landing gear, deployment/detachment of the drag chute). There is also a full motion F-4 Phantom combat simulator which costs \$8 per person for approximately 5 minutes of flight time. I highly recommend it.

This museum is so full of planes they have to hang them from the ceiling (like our model planes). The bigger aircraft are on the floor. These include the shuttle Discovery, the SR-71, the Concorde, the Enola Gay and the only Boeing 307 still in flying condition. One of the really interesting planes on display was the X-35B. This is the most technically advanced fighter jet in production (this aircraft was the first in history to achieve a short takeoff, level supersonic dash, and vertical landing in a single flight). Some of the smaller aircraft included a vintage Fw 190, F-86, T-33, P-38, and a P-47 (my favorite, of course).

Like most museums in the DC area admission is free. If you are ever visiting the Washington, DC area, check this out. It's only about 15 minutes outside of the city center and very easy to get to.



July 12 Combat Wing Building Workshop Photos







INTERESTING STUFF

Dillon Losee – List of interesting videos to watch

- JRC ,RC Fast race boats ! 2013 - http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SE7Bx-du8Ao&feature=youtube_gdata_player
- Do X 1929 - A Giant Flying Boat - http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dwPRGFN-TVA&feature=youtube_gdata_player
- Worlds Largest RC Flying Boat -- Kawanishi H8K -
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YQVCBr0kkd4&feature=youtube_gdata_player
- R/C Sub "Shoots Down" R/C Helicopter -
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BlN8CogzivA&feature=youtube_gdata_player
- Jumbo R/C Carrier Launches Model Airplanes -
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FJBzbdexdA&feature=youtube_gdata_player
- CANADAIR CL-215 rc-1 - http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NALaqzDVeVs&feature=youtube_gdata_player



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