



# Wing Tips



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The Newsletter of the Mid-Hudson Modelmasters

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### 2020 Club Officers

President: Kent Wien

Secretary: Larry Kunz

Sgt. at Arms: Flavio Ambrosini

Vice President: Scott Fellin

Treasurer: Tom Eng

### Club Calendar

#### Coming Up:

- **CANCELLED -- CLUB MEETING , Friday, Mar. 20:** Unfortunately the school has cancelled our time slot. Highland Middle School Gym, 71 Main St., Highland, NY 12528. Indoor flying begins at 6:30pm, meeting will begin at 7:30pm or 8pm. *Note: Please limit flying to indoor types — fly the larger, more aggressive models outdoors or at larger indoor sites. Sneakers or other gym floor type footwear should be worn.*
- **East Coast Swamp Flyers 6th annual swap meet, Mar. 22, Zandri's, Wallingford, CT :** For more information see [www.swapflyers.net](http://www.swapflyers.net). or send email to [ecsf.swap@gmail.com](mailto:ecsf.swap@gmail.com)
- **April Wing Tips articles & photo submissions due, Thurs., Apr. 2:** Send your submissions to [wingtips@modelmasters.us](mailto:wingtips@modelmasters.us) Due date is first Thursday of each month.

#### Other Events:

- **MONTHLY MEETINGS:** Winter meetings will be held at Highland Middle School on the following Friday night dates. Also announced via Google Groups. Last meeting at the school, Apr. 17. Spring and Summer meetings will be at our field.
- **OUTDOOR FLYING SESSIONS AT WEST ROAD FIELD** – Every Saturday Morning, weather permitting.

## MEETING MINUTES – February 28, 2020

- + Open flying 6:30 - 7:10
- + Meeting called @ 7:10 by president Kent Wien.
  - Next meeting is March 20 @ Highland Middle School (NOTE this has been CANCELLED)
  - And, of course, every Saturday morning at the field. For some, the weather is almost always permitting!
- + Treasurer's report: by Tom Eng
  - Club treasury now at \$1272.65
  - \$500 escrow check still uncashed by Highland Middle School
- + 2020 Membership now at 28
  - Membership paid after Jan first is \$35
  - Send your dues to Tom ! (make \$35 check out to "Modelmasters" and send to Tom Eng, 27 Briar Patch Lane, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569 )
- + FAA Rule discussion:
  - It was generally agreed that the new FAA rules, as proposed, would be an unreasonable burden on model aviation. Kent (both a private small plane pilot, and a commercial pilot) pointed out that birds are infinitely more dangerous to general aviation than RC aircraft. (It was jokingly suggested that we ask the FAA to require all birds to carry remote ID transponders)
  - PLEASE: Read the proposed rules, and send your thoughts to the FAA !
  - [https://www.faa.gov/uas/research\\_development/remote\\_id/](https://www.faa.gov/uas/research_development/remote_id/)
- + Miscellaneous notes:
  - Rick Rizzo pointed out that the Central Penn Airomodelers Association ( <http://cpaa.us/> ) swap in Lebanon Pa. is coming up on March 14.
- + Show & tell:
  - Brad presented the coro-plastic fan-jet he is currently designing & building.
  - Brad demonstrated the use of a sewing seam ripper for cutting one face of the coro-plastic (this is necessary in order to get the material to take a curve)
  - Larry showed the beach-walker kit he had assembled.
- + Fun Fly by Barry Knickerbocker !
  - A taxi competition, ending in a finish line fly-over.
  - A timed flight competition
  - A limbo competition
  - ( Sorry - I was too busy having fun to record the winners! )
- + Open flying till 9:30:

## Interesting Stuff

- **Dillon Losee** - Flite Test Community Association meeting with the FAA - <https://youtu.be/XmUQV549-TI>
- **Dillon Losee** - AMAZING HUGE RC SCALE MODEL ELECTRIC HELICOPTER BELL-206 JETRANGER INDOOR FLIGHT DEMONSTRATION - <https://youtu.be/OoVFpYEzzHA>

- **Scott Fellin** – Maiden flight of his QQ extra 300 night pnp. It's made by Flex Innovations. Available from their website for \$289. There is also night version for \$259.

