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DAYTON WINGMASTERS AMA #499



2011 OFFICERS

President - Paul Stimmel
Vice President - Romey Schwieterman
Treasurer - Bob Bush
Newsletter - Jon Cross
Secretary - Jerry Harsch
Safety - Don Kuhns

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2011 Season is Over...

Yup. Another year is nearly gone. Hopefully we won't have to wait through 7 months of snow like we did during the 2010-2011 winter season before good flying days return to Wingmasters Field. In the interim, if you know of indoor flying or local swap events, please be sure to let me know so I can pass it on to the rest of the club.

Key Change Time / AMA Renewals

A reminder that for 2012, the field key will be changed on January 1st instead of April 1st as has been done in the past. You will be able to get a new 2012 gate key for \$25 at either The Hobby Shop or RC Hobby Center during the month of December but you must have first renewed your AMA membership for 2012. (The hobby shops will not issue you a key unless you have the renewal in hand.) So be sure to get your membership renewed (if you haven't already) and get your new key before the Freeze Fly on January 1, 2012.



Runway Rotation Project Planning

Knowing how frustrating the evening sun is to those who want to make a quick flight after getting home from work, we're working on a project to rotate the runway 120 degrees clockwise. This will provide improved all day sun conditions as well as a chance to update the runway with embedded lighting and IFR systems. Hopefully you're still reading this; if not, you wouldn't see that I am kidding...

My Apologies

I have recently been very busy with a couple of situations that took up most of my free time during September and October. As a result, I was unable to get the newsletter out for the month of October and I am REALLY late getting a condensed version out for November. December should be out on time but I again ask for your input. If you have an idea for an article that would benefit the club, please let me know.

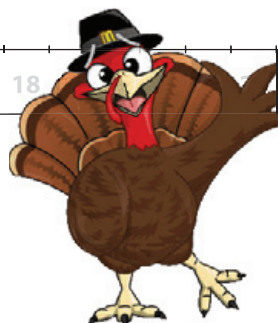
This Month's Schedule

<http://www.wingmasters.org/schedule>

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Club Meeting
@Fairgrounds
7:30PM



Happy
Thanksgiving

Club, non-flying event

Club, Flying event

Non-Club event

October Meeting Minutes

10/6/2011, County Fairgrounds, 7:30 PM to 8:15 PM

The meeting was opened at 7:35 pm by President Stimmel.

Field Report

The field is in great shape.

There are still two extra porta-potties left over from the mud volley event.

Old Business

\$2,581 was raised by the "Hobbies for Hospice" event and presented to the Hospice of Dayton Organization.

Approximately 50 people who have been helped by Hospice over the years were honored by having their names included with the presentation. A picture of the presentation will be placed on the Wingmasters' web page and President Stimmel will attempt to have an article included in the AMA magazine. Plans are in the works to repeat the event next year.

The Helicopter Fun Fly raised \$293.50 for the club.

The President's Fun Fly had a good turn out with approximately 50 in attendance.

New Business

Now that we have moved inside for the winter months, President Stimmel wants to look into getting a PA system to be used at our monthly meetings. Item to be discussed further at our next meeting.

Wingmaster clothing will be available for sale at the RC Hobby Shop beginning the middle of October.

The Dayton Wingmasters now has a presence on Facebook. Go to Dayton Wingmasters under Facebook and "friend" the page.

The proposed lock change process was discussed. Locks will be changed January 1st.

Note: All members should have received their AMA renewal notice along with the district and national ballots. A current AMA membership card is required before a new key will be issued.

It was reported that the AMA has released an e-mail requesting that all members keep their eyes and ears open for any terrorist threats using model airplanes.

Charlie Parsons suggested an additional charging station be added to the other end of the flight line. To be discussed further at our next meeting.

Charlie Parsons also suggested that the club hold an indoor flight event at the Nutter Center on the order of Hobbies for Hospice to aid the Diabetes Association. To be discussed further at our next meeting.

Jack Thompson mentioned that Modelrama will be held Feb 11, 2012 and passed around a volunteer sign up sheet.

The following nominations were submitted for 2012 Wingmaster officer positions.

President: Paul Stimmel

Vice President: Romy Schwieterman

Secretary: Jerry Harsch

Treasurer: Bob Bush

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Additional nominations will be taken at the November meeting and officers will then be voted on.

The monthly \$25 gift certificate was won and turned down by Romy Schwieterman. Subsequently won by Ken Flora.

There was no 50/50 drawing or Show & Tell.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15.

Meeting Attendance Committee:

Paul Stimmel (Pres)
Romey Schwieterman (VP)
Bob Bush (Treasurer)
Jerry Harsch (Sec)

Membership:

18 Wingmasters on hand.
No New Members

Guests:

None

FAA NPRM is still coming...

Even though things have been "fairly quiet" on the front concerning the revisions to the Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) rule as proposed by the FAA, the current word is that we can expect the draft proposal sometime shortly after the first of the year. We certainly hope that the additional development time provided by congressional oversight and lapses of FAA funding will work to the modeling communities advantage, but we still have to wait and see.



Freeze Fly 2012

A reminder to all that the annual Freeze Fly event will be held at the field on January 1, 2012 at noon regardless of weather conditions (even if it is snowing or raining, we will be out there under the shelter). Be sure to remember to come out and join us for coffee, chili and whatever flying we can get in on the first day of 2012. Hopefully it will be clear and calm with temperatures in the 60's but since that's not very likely, remember to dress well for the occasion.



2012 Club Officer Elections

A reminder that elections for the 2012 Club Officers will be held at the December club meeting. A listing of the current nominees is included in the October Meeting Minutes. Additional nominees may be included before the vote. I personally would like to nominate Steve Whittridge as the official Club Weather Station...

Field Signs Update

Everyone who's been out to the field in the last three months knows that we've recently updated our greeting and shelter signage. We have yet to replace the rules sign that was installed in the shelter as we are waiting for the release of the FAA NPRM.



Welcome to Wingmasters Field

Keyholders:

- When entering or leaving the field, please lock the gate behind you.
- Please observe the posted safety rules located in the shelter. The city prohibits parking on the grass - please park in the designated parking area.

Visitors:

- Wingmasters Open House and Instructor Night is held every Wednesday (weather permitting) from 5:00 PM until dusk, from late April until early October. All are Welcome!
- City of Dayton and club rules state you **MUST** have a current AMA card to fly solo at Wingmasters Field. To obtain an AMA card, visit <http://www.modelaircraft.org> for more information.
- Field keys can be purchased from either RC Hobby Center or The Hobby Shop. Current AMA card is required at time of purchase.

All Users:

- This is a City of Dayton facility. The City requires the gate remain locked except during Open House events. All City of Dayton and Parks Department laws are in effect in this facility.
- **If the gate is open and you enter, you risk getting locked in if you don't have a key.**
- All AMA Safety Code, City, Club and field rules or restrictions must be followed.
- The consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited in this facility.

For more information regarding the Dayton Wingmasters please visit:
<http://www.wingmasters.org>

If someone is not complying with field rules, please remind them in a courteous manner.
If a problem persists, call the Dayton Police at 333-2677. In the event of accident or emergency, use 911.

So, just because the shelter rules board isn't up there, don't think we're a bunch a lawless heathens -- we've still posted the rules for the club on the website and some of the most generic ones on the entrance sign.



Wingmaster Wear

The following club clothing articles are currently available. Items are available by request at R/C Hobby Center.

Wingmaster Wear is now available by request at R/C Hobby Center.

If you would like to see additional items made, please feel free to discuss them during an upcoming meeting.



Sweatshirts

Sweatshirt - White - \$15
3XL / 2XL / XL / LG

Sweatshirt - Blue - \$15
3XL / 2XL / LG

Sweatshirt - Grey - \$15
XL



Hats

White / Blue \$10
White / Red \$10



T-Shirts

Tee Shirt - Grey - \$10
2XL / XL / LG

Golf Shirt - White - \$20
2XL / XL

Golf Shirt - Red - \$20
2XL / XL

Other Items

Please contact us if you would be interested in getting Wingmasters patches for use on hats or jackets. Based on price and interest level several sizes will be explored. We would also like to know if there is any interest in getting club label pins made up. There are a variety of designs that are pre-made and even getting a custom made pin is a fairly easy thing to do.

