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A Word from the President



Guess I'd be repeating myself if I started talking about the weather. The year started out to be non-stop rain, wind, storms, and more. Now the *Sun Gods* have hit us with a heat wave. Some flying is still getting done, but we should be flying more. Maybe July will end up being okay better to us. Cross your fingers.

I'm looking forward to seeing many of you come out to the next big fun fly in August. This will be the club's 31st Annual Bud Hall Large Airplane Fun Fly. There will be lunch and drinks. Bring your favorite BIG BIRD and let's have some fun.

Let's go fly!

- Rick Miller

Meetings: TBD



Vice-President's Corner



We had a pretty good turnout for our recent fun fly even with it being kind of windy.

Looking forward to some good flying this summer. Let's get some more people out there flying when we have a nice day. See you at the field.

Go out and Fly!

- Rick Haneline



Treasurer's Report



The membership renewals continue to trickle in and we are now at 51, the highest membership we have had for some time. The club *Fun Fly* was more than a success with lots of flying and chit-chat amongst all the pilots and visitors that showed up on one of the best flying days we have had for some time.

And to make things even better the field was in great shape which makes flying such a pleasure. A big thank you is in order for the mowing crew, nice job guys. See you all at the field.

Your Treasurer

~ Dean Copeland

~ *Dues 2019 ~

*Application for membership or paying member dues may be mailed to:

Dean Copeland, Treasurer
15668 Fountain Hills Dr.
Omaha 68118

NOTE: Please include your postal mailing address when sending in dues. Also your phone number and current e-mail address. April 1 was deadline for getting dues paid. Thanks.

Wahoo Municipal Airport, Nebraska Aviation Weather Report and Forecast

<http://www.usairnet.com/cgi-bin/launch/code.cgi?Submit=Go&sta=KAHQ&state=NE>

Mead Field Weather Station



Weather conditions at our field can be viewed from your computer or phone. It is available through *Weather Underground* from a weather station that the university's *ARDC Farm/Facility Shop* has installed.

<https://www.wunderground.com/personal-weather-station/dashboard?ID=KNEMEAD2>

What are you waiting for????



Come on out and fly!!

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31st Annual Bud Hall

Large RC Airplane Fun Fly**

- Required Min. 80" Mono - 60" Multi-Wing - or true 1/4 Scale -

Mead Field* Saturday Aug 24th

FLYER FEE \$10
Includes lunch & soda

Non-Flyer Lunch \$5

Rain date 25th



AMA Required to Fly - Wide Open Space - Large Runway - Easy access Pits
* Located 3.7 miles S. of Mead from Sinclair station on Hwy 92. Watch for signs at field entrance. **Non-scale airplanes allowed.

- Things Going On -

by Nelson Carpenter



There was a large turnout for the club's *Spring Fun Fly*. I counted 32 vehicles lined up from one end of the field to the other. Number of pilots totaled twenty-four. A good showing for sure!

Next big event for the club is the *31st Annual Bud Hall Large RC Airplane Fun Fly* set for August. There will be some new "large" models revealed for the first time at this fun fly. Should be great!

The storage building we use at Mead will be painted in the next month or two. Depending on weather and number of member volunteers available. Rick Haneline is ramrodding this work.

I was scraping the bottom of the barrel with this month's newsletter. Not the contributors mind you; but the lack of material (*write-ups*) this month. I typically send out an e-mail to past and current contributors to the newsletter asking for material. Everyone is good about it, and send in what they may have for the month. That's what makes this newsletter tick. I thank you.

There's continued interest in holding our *Old Timer/EP Glider* gatherings at the field. They kind of went by the wayside due to weather and other activities scheduled. Watch for an update and a date for the next one.

Have any photos of your most recent airplane? Send them to me for next month's newsletter. J3flyah@gmail.com

Cheap Shade for Field



ROLLBACK
\$29⁹⁷

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Ozark Trail®
4' x 6' Canopy
Save \$4.47

Several flyers at Mead use this shade which is an ideal size at 4' x 6' for one person. It easy to setup and transport. Provides good shade too. It is on sale at *Walmart* as of June 30th.

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http://www.metrorcflying.com/metro_newsletters.htm



Coupon Good for Ride

Submitted by Rick Haneline



Academy of Model Aeronautics
National Model Aircraft Safety Code
Effective January 1, 2018



A while ago my two daughters got me a gift for my birthday. It was a coupon good for a ride in a glider at the *Blair Airport*. I carried that coupon around in my wallet a long time, and finally got around to using it.

One of our *Western Flyers* club members happens to be an instructor for the glider club at the *Blair Airport*. **Steve Rasmussen**. I got to talking with Steve out at our field about my coupon and he gave me the encouragement to take that ride. Steve even offered to take me up, so I scheduled the ride with him. That was on *Father's Day* this year.

If you ever thought about taking a glider ride, I say do it! It was a blast and I really enjoyed it. Steve is a good pilot and a safe one. He briefed me on everything before we took the 30 minute flight. I was one happy camper when it was over. Thanks Steve!



After the landing, Rick is seen grinning ear-to-ear in the front seat from where he took it all in. Steve seated in the rear.

As an AMA member I agree:

- I will not fly a model aircraft in a careless or reckless manner.
- I will not interfere with and will yield the right of way to all human-carrying aircraft using AMA's See and Avoid Guidance and a spotter when appropriate.
- I will not operate any model aircraft while I am under the influence of alcohol or any drug that could adversely affect my ability to safely control the model.
- I will avoid flying directly over unprotected people, moving vehicles, and occupied structures.
- I will fly Free Flight (FF) and Control Line (CL) models in compliance with AMA's safety programming.
- I will maintain visual contact of an RC model aircraft without enhancement other than corrective lenses prescribed to me. When using an advanced flight system, such as an autopilot, or flying First-Person View (FPV), I will comply with AMA's Advanced Flight System programming.
- I will only fly models weighing more than 55 pounds, including fuel, if certified through AMA's Large Model Airplane Program.
- I will only fly a turbine-powered model aircraft in compliance with AMA's Gas Turbine Program.
- I will not fly a powered model outdoors closer than 25 feet to any individual, except for myself or my helper(s) located at the flightline, unless I am taking off and landing, or as otherwise provided in AMA's Competition Regulation.

I will use an established safety line to separate all model aircraft operations from spectators and bystanders.

Club's Spring Fun Fly

by Nelson Carpenter



I have to say that the weather was not a factor when we held the *Spring Fun Fly* on June 15th. Many of us flew. Although it did not rain, a stiff crosswind did mess up a few landings. Best time for flying we found was early in the morning.

When we weren't flying or tinkering with our airplanes, there was plenty of socializing and talk about our hobby. That was half the fun. Forgot to mention the lunch which was tops....

Twenty-four flyers attended. The number of parked vehicles counted was at least thirty-two which was an impressive sight looking down the pit line. There were quite a few visitors as well.

Cooking the field lunch for us all was **Tom Wild** with help from his brother **Tim Wild** who was up from Wichita, Kansas. Lunch consisted of brats and hotdogs with side dishes. **Rene Mayo** brought her famous brownies for the lucky ones able to snag one before the others found out how good they were. No, she hadn't recently traveled to Colorado as some questioned.

Thanks to all of you who attended. Good time was had by all.



Only way we were able to gather everyone for a group picture was by baiting them with the full box of donuts on the table.



Rick Miller, far right, gives the pilot briefing before hitting the air.



Putting his Cub together is Rick Haneline.



Dean Copeland gets help from Jack Wilhelmi testing the retracts before taking it out to the flight line.

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Club's Spring Fun Fly Cont.



Dick Behrens about to fire up one of his favorite airplanes.



Tom Wild (white shirt) and his brother Tim Wild (at grill) saw to it that everyone got fed.



Most attending brought their pop-up shades for relief from the sun.



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Club's Spring Fun Fly Cont.



Ron Pacana flew his nice looking Cessna 185 taildragger.



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Royal Zero Kit

Submitted by Dave Kelly



I became frustrated with gear problems on my *B-26 Marauder* project this winter. Long story short I started in on a project first undertaken by **James Drickey**. Many years back he had had his fill of the build.

It was a *Royal* 60-80 size *Zero*. I started it on the only piece of workbench not taken up by the *B-26*. I never expected to have it completed before the *B-26* gear problem was resolved..... But, alas..... it's ready for radio installation and test flight while the *Marauder* gear is still not fixed.....



The Airplane Restaurant

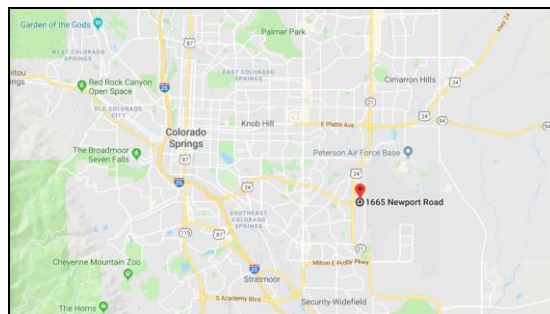
Submitted by Nelson Carpenter



If you find yourself traveling anywhere near *Colorado Springs, Colorado*, a must stop for a cool airplane along with good food is *The Airplane Restaurant*. Yes, an airplane that you are seated in for a meal. It is located on the southeast side of *Colorado Springs*.

As you see in the photos, it is an actual *Boeing KC-97* refueling aircraft that the *Air Force* used through the early 60s. It was built by Boeing in 1953. (One resides in the *SAC Aerospace Museum*)

Current owner of this aircraft had it trailered from *Texas* to this location in pieces. It took eight semi-trailers to make the trip from the former *Carswell Air Force Base*. According to information about it, forty-two “passengers” can dine in the plane, with another 230 in the attached “terminal and lounge.” Also, there’s a large display of plastic airplane models and radio control airplanes.



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~ Western R/C Flyers Event Schedule ~

Schedule for club events to be set and posted within **Metro Area RC Flying** website calendar. Our dates will be provided to Keith who maintains that website.

http://www.metrorcflying.com/metro_schedule.htm



Western R/C Flyers Inc. Membership Application 2019

Please print clearly!

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Evening Phone: _____ Day Phone: _____

Email: _____

AMA Number: _____ Dues Paid: \$ _____

2019 Dues: \$35 (Renewals should be paid by **April 1**) New ___ Renewal ___ (Check One)

Sign Here: _____ Date _____

Membership application subject to approval. AMA membership is required.

Make Checks Payable to: Western R/C Flyers

Complete this form (new applicants only) and send with check to WRCF Treasurer:
Dean Copeland 15668 Fountain Hills Dr. Omaha, Nebraska 68118