



Eastern Shore Aeromodelers Club

NEWSLETTER

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AMA Chartered Club # 4095

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IGNITER

Dear Member,

I hope everyone had a great 4th of July holiday. If you are reading this, then you have things to be thankful for including internet access, enough health to open your eyes and read as well as a group of people that you care about and who care about you. The news cycle might have you thinking otherwise-dwelling on everything that is broken can create an unnatural chronic internal state of stress. The Doctors would tell you that being in a constant state of 'dire emergency' is not what your fight or flight mechanisms were designed to handle. Spending some time enjoying life can actually help you live longer. Give it a try!

The IMAC competition happened on schedule with 11 pilots competing. We had great weather and then several inches of rain, and then good weather before the event was over. Unfortunately, I managed to reformat my camera memory card before getting the pictures out of my camera. If you want to see IMAC planes and pilots, you have another chance when they return in August.

JACK STOVAL MEMORIAL IMAC COMPETITION 2020

FIRST PLACE

Kenny Weaver

"Event Coordination / helping the club"

JUNE 20-21, 2020



CONTEST DIRECTOR



About half the club was in attendance at the last club meeting, so this won't be news to them, but for the rest of the members who couldn't make it, let me briefly report on two important topics- cash and COVID.

The club members and Board approved several initiatives for generating needed funds- a new Life member category, a request for member donations to help fund our activities and replenish our treasury, and a commitment to having

events when possible. Those 3 efforts have all generated some funds for the club since our meeting- we did have a successful IMAC event, we have received member donations and we have had our first Life Member sign up- Jerry Raimo. Thank you all and thanks to those who are making plans to support our activities.

The club and Board adopted a policy with some procedures for having gatherings at the field which are in compliance with CDC guidelines and serve to allow us to conduct events while minimizing the risk of spreading the virus. Those policies are available from our website if you want to read the details.

There is a club meeting on Wednesday at the field 7pm. Depending on weather, some of us could be there flying before the meeting and there is a rumor that we might have hot dogs available before the meeting.

See you soon,

Jack



A Meeting was called to order on . . .

June 10, 2020 at the Field at 7pm with 16 members present. The Treasurer reported \$1,200.96 in checking and \$888.32 in savings with all bills paid.

The delayed publication of the Jim Coll 2019 event article has finally happened and the members were urged to read back that far in the current AMA magazine.

The newly published Governor's Executive Order dated today was reviewed as it relates to our club and having outdoor recreational activities. The Board was expecting to discuss permanent cancellation of this summer's events and what to do to improve the runway before this latest Order from Governor Hogan. In light of the easing of restrictions on outdoor gatherings, and the indications from

the IMAC pilots that they would like to attend our Jack Stoval Memorial IMAC Battle on June 20-21, the group agreed to hold the event with appropriate procedures in place per the Governor's order regarding social distancing, masking and sanitation. The group agreed with Dennis Blades, that the runway was not in condition to hold the Jet Rally - so that event is cancelled for this year.

A discussion about field condition was had with input from the members present. A suggestion was made to form a committee to study options. A couple of members present asked if they could do a soil test and perhaps plant some specific grasses to see what could grow. Given that 50% of the active membership was present at the meeting, the members approved the soil test and study of whether there was a grass type that would grow in non- irrigated sandy soil. We will hold off tilling up the runway until the fall after the events are done. A decision about what exactly to do with the field will be made at that time.

The lack of funds in the treasury was discussed. Several options from submitted by members were discussed and rather than increasing dues or making a member assessment at this time, the group agreed to ask for donations, and adopt a new Life Member category which would be offered for \$1,000 and would entitle the member to lifetime club membership with flying privileges contingent upon valid AMA membership. This club has always managed to get what it needs, and there is no reason to believe we won't do so at this time. We will postpone dues increase discussions until the Fall and see how donations and the summer events do.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm.

The Official 2020 Club Calendar- Check the website for more up to the minute schedule changes.

- April 8 - CANCELLED Club meeting
- April 25 -- Field Closed- Handsel Chicone Village Day ??
- May 3 - ?? IMAC Judging School demonstration flying 9-12 noon
- May 13 - ?? Club meeting at the Train Station 7pm
- June 10 - Club meeting at the Field 7pm
- June 20-21 - IMAC

- July 8 - Club meeting at the Field 7pm
- August 8-9 Jim Coll
- August 12 - Club meeting at the Field 7pm
- August 15-16 - IMAC
- September 9 - Club meeting at the Field 7pm
- October 10 Field Closed - Handsell Jamboree
- October 14- Club meeting at the Field 7pm
- October 17 - Jet Rally - CANCELLED
- November 11 - Club meeting at the Field 7pm
- December 9 - ?? Christmas Party Meeting 7pm — at the Train Station - potluck

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Happy Birthday to Us . . .

Dan Goslee

Tom Perkins



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