



Buzzard Droppings



Promoting the building and operation of radio controlled models, and the public acceptance and good will towards the sport/hobby. Our main goal is to have fun and enjoy the challenge of safely flying radio control models.

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Barnyard Buzzards

Model Airplane Club

AMA Chapter 2953
Monroe, Washington

Next Club Meeting is **Wednesday, January 8th, 6:30 PM** at Alfy's Pizza on RT 2 in Monroe ([See page 9 for a map](#)).
Program: 2020 Events Review and Schedule



Our Freeze-In event 10:00 AM Saturday, January 4th. Come on out, but watch your email for possible weather cancellation!

President's Message — Don Bailey

Welcome to the New Year, everybody! Here's wishing you an exciting and fun-filled upcoming 2020 flying season at the Barnyard field! I want to start out by thanking Chet Blake for his professional job as our club secretary in 2019, and I'd like to welcome our new and returning club officers; Mark Weeks (new

secretary), Vince Bell (VP), Vaughan Houger (treasurer) and our new Safety Officer Dart Sharp. We have an ample club roster with a distinguished member list, and everything is in place for a successful and memorable 2020 at

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December 11th Meeting Minutes

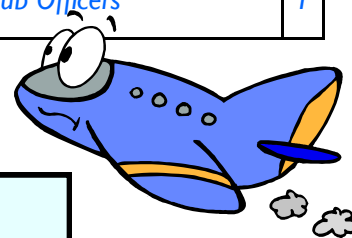
President Mark Weeks called the meeting to order at 6:30ish PM
President Weeks introduced the club officers:
President – Mark Weeks
Vice President – Vince Bell
Secretary – Chet Blake
Treasurer – Vaughan Houger
Safety Officer – Don Bailey
17 Club Members were in attendance – No Guests were in attend-

ance.
Motion to accept minutes as posted, 2nd and passed.

OFFICER REPORTS

Vice President – Vince reported that we had the Christmas Party on Dec 7 at Camp Pigott Lodge. The Party was lightly attended but enjoyed by those present. Many

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Club Officers and Contacts

President: Don Bailey (425) 350-9557

Vice President: Vince Bell (425) 788-2456

Secretary: Mark Weeks (425) 328-5705

Treasurer: Vaughan Houger (360) 691-2800

Safety Officer: Dart Sharp

Webmaster: Mark Weeks (425) 328-5705

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Barnyard Buzzards.

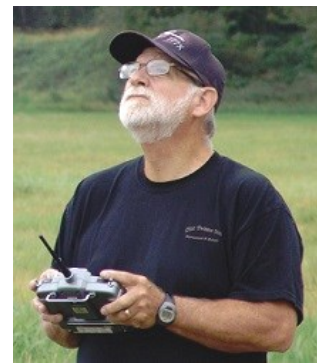
We have a good assortment of events planned for the club this year, including such favorites as Glider Day, Floats-n-Boats on nearby Lake Hughes, Club Fun-Fly, Combat event, Night Fly events, and Open House Day. In addition, our club meetings will feature a Builder's Contest and a Rebuilt Airplane contest, as well as our monthly show-and-tell. We will also host a Club Auction community fund-raiser at the field, and our traditional end-of-year Christmas buffet and gift swap. We would also like to have at least one or two good work parties during the dry months for field cleanup and prep. A tidy and serviceable field is a hallmark of a thriving club, and your volunteer support will be greatly appreciated!

We have had some discussion about sparking more interest and participation in our R/C Car activities with the car track. This may include organized events that would feature open racing and a fun obstacle course,

and we are hoping to develop a rock and log climb near the track for the Crawlers to have fun with (...“capture the flag”, anyone?).

All in all, there is a lot going on at the Barnyard Buzzards field this year, and I can't think of a more congenial and fun-loving bunch of guys to enjoy it with!

See you at the field! -- Don Bailey, President



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Thanks to the Scouts for the generous offer to use the Lodge. Freeze In will be Sat, Jan 4, 2020.

Secretary – Chet reported with the latest application and dues from Larry Correa and Skylar Weiskind, we now have 48 members which includes Family and Jr members.

Treasurer –Vaughan reported that finances are in good shape.

Safety Officer – Don said nothing new to report. All seems to be going well on the Safety front.

Field Manager – Bryan said that both Jay and he have been really tied up with their prospective life issues and not much happening lately. Jay wants to get the mower to his house for winter maintenance. Bryan will be getting the Porta Potties pumped out before the Freeze In.

Newsletter Editor –always looking for new and event info for the newsletter.

Webmaster – Pics, news and comments are always wanted for the website.

OLD BUSINESS

Mark asked Vaughan to review the 2020 budget. Dues will remain at \$90. Motion was made to accept the new budget, 2nd and passed.

Discussion came up about including ARFs in the Builder's Contest. Conclusion was that ARFs should be allowed but modifications from original build will have to be made to allow entry.

Meeting Night Change. After reviewing with Alf's Manager as to what they could work with and be the most consistent is Wednesday nights. Motion was made, 2nd and passed to move the **meeting to the 2nd Wednesday of the month.**

2nd round of Executive Board nominees are Pres. - Don Bailey, V. Pres – Vince Bell, Ron Swift, Secretary – Mark Weeks, Treasurer – Vaughan Houger, Safety Officer – Dart Sharp, Special Service Award – Jim Stewart, Bryan Reightley, Steve Anderson. The final round of nominations and membership voting will be at the Dec 11 meeting.

Mark brought up existing needs for work parties. Cutting down the large cherry tree, Removing Awning covers for winter (completed Sat 11/23), Steps on driver's stand at car track.

Motion was made, 2nd and passed to get gift cards for the Camp rangers, Dave and Don.

Discussion about charity gift to the Sky Valley Food Bank brought much debate. A motion was made to give the total proceeds (\$271) from the Charity Auction to the food bank, 2nd and narrowly passed. Mark will get a check from Vaughan and present to the food bank.

NEW BUSINESS

Chet told a story about an older gentleman named Steve that stopped by the Pigott Lodge the

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night of the Christmas Party. Steve mentioned how nice it was to see Buzzards Field in use again and how good it looked and cared for. Steve again said it was nice to see Buzzards at the field once again and wanted to know if we (Club) or a member was related. Chet said "We ARE the Buzzards" which he replied how nice it is to have family back in the area... Now it's really confusing. Turns out that the original owner of the T Bar H ranch was a Mr. Joe Buzzard as confirmed by Ranger Dave and said he homesteaded the area and his house was on the property that the Scout Craft Cabin sets now. Steve also mentioned that the barn is shown dimensionally on a land plat in 1893 and an original picture of the barn is dated 1913. Steve mentioned the painted plaques with horses names in the barn stable area were made by the students and he ran the Horsemanship activity until it was abandoned. He also was a Camp Brinkley Ranger for a while. It's interesting we've been there almost 5 years and never knew the original owner was a Buzzard!!

Discussion came up about the proxy Voting procedure. The new Regime will work to stream line it. It also came up that when finalized it needs to be in the By-Laws to set the protocol.

The Final Round of nominations revealed no new nominees. Voting took place and the results are:

- President – Don Bailey
- Vice Pres – Vince Bell
- Treasurer – Vaughan Houger
- Secretary – Mark Weeks
- Safety Officer – Dart Sharp
- Special Service Award – Jim Stewart

After the voting, Mark said he'd get the check to the Sky Valley Food Bank as soon as possible.

Ron brought a signup sheet for the 2020 NW Model Hobby Expo at the Fairgrounds on Sat and Sun (Jan 25 & 26) and passed around. Mark and Chet were

asked to assist with Contest Director duties.

Scott Curtis asked if anyone thought that different airplane classes in the Combat event would be significant or possibly get more involvement. We could have the Combat plane (Gremlin and the like) class and then open class like Avistar, Trainer type, Fighter planes, Electric and others. More to be discussed in the next few meetings.

Mark thanked everyone for helping make his 3 years as President both enjoyable and rewarding. Mark was given a rousing hand for his hard work and guidance in his term as President.

Chet was thanked for his service as club secretary and all he has done.

SHOW AND TELL

Don brought his newly built Sig 29er which was built from a rubber band powered kit. He used the motor, electronics and servos from the Flyzone Albacross he had bought at last year's Expo. He covered it with Jap tissue and coated with one coat of nitrate and top coat of butyrate light dope. It's powered with a 160 mAh 1S battery.



ADJOURNMENT 7:23 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Chet Blake 2019
BBMAC Secretary



Vince—Combat Plane Setup Discussion—August 2019



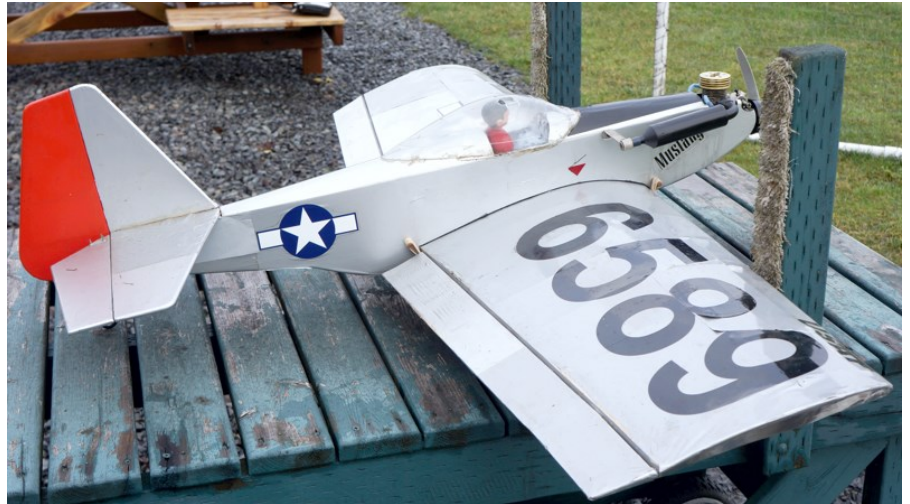
Buzzards—Boys & Girls Club Buddy Box Program



Weekday Flying at the Buzzards Field



Found at the field 12-23-19



Upcoming Events

Freeze-In	January 4, 2020	Annual Freeze-In - A Challenge to Stay Warm and Fly. We will have the burn barrels, propane heaters and long modelling tales fueled and ready! 10:00 AM
NW Model Hobby Expo	January 25 & 26 at the Evergreen Fairgrounds in Monroe https://NWMHE.com	We have a Club Swap Table and Club Booth. Come by the booth , Meet some members, fly our flight simulator, and see more phoptos of our club events.



Safety Corner



Dart Sharp

Hi to all. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve you as safety officer. 2019 was a safe and fun year and hopefully 2020 will be just as good. If anyone has an idea for improvement please let me know. We will be going through the safety rules in the coming months and hope to update some of them that seem to be outdated. That's all for now, hope to see all of you at the field.

Some Safety News & Issues shamelessly copied from somewhere

****1. **Wind conditions**-this may seem like a no-brainer, but lots of beginners are so anxious to fly that they sometimes disregard the limitations of their airplane. Some models should only be flown in calm conditions; others are safe to fly at 5, 10 mph or even more. Know what your plane is capable of-if it's too windy, it's best to wait for another day.

2. **Flight area**-if you plan to fly RC airplanes in a public place, first check to see that it's legal; some communities have ordinances against it. Don't fly in a space too small for your plane and avoid areas with too many people, animals or obstructions. Of course, if you fly at a club field, you won't have these concerns; all you have to do is obey their safety rules.

3. **Pre-flight check**-it's a good idea to run through most of the pre-flight inspection twice; once before you leave home and again just before you fly. Make sure the plane is properly balanced and wings and tail are in correct alignment; that all nuts, bolts and screws are tight and all connections secure; and check control surfaces to see that they're moving properly. All batteries should be fully charged and be sure that your transmitter signal is strong enough to fly within normal range limits.

4. **Frequency control**--when other pilots are flying RC airplanes nearby, do not turn on your transmitter until theirs are off unless you're sure you'll be on a different frequency-if you try to operate on the same frequency as another flier, the signals will interfere and you'll cause him to crash. This is not a concern if you use a 2.4 GHz radio system, but is an issue when using any narrowband set.

Some helpful insights:

Obtain a remote pilot certificate from the FAA or operate within the programming of a community-based organization such as the **Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA)**.

Register with the FAA at <https://faadronezone.faa.gov/>.

Keep your sUAS in eyesight at all times, and use an observer to assist if needed.

Remain well clear of and do not interfere with manned aircraft operations, and you must see and avoid other aircraft and obstacles at all

times.

Do not intentionally fly over unprotected persons or moving vehicles, and remain at least 25 feet away from individuals and vulnerable property.

Contact the airport and control tower before flying within five miles of an airport or heliport.

Do not fly in adverse weather conditions such as in high winds or reduced visibility.

Do not fly under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Ensure the operating environment is safe and that the operator is competent and proficient in the operation of the sUAS.

Do not fly near or over sensitive infrastructure or property such as power stations, water treatment facilities, correctional facilities, heavily traveled roadways, government facilities, etc.

Check and follow all local laws and ordinances before flying over private property.

Do not conduct surveillance or photograph persons in areas where there is an expectation of privacy without the individual's permission (see AMA's **privacy policy**).

Users of commercial and recreational UAS should be aware that in remote, rural and agricultural areas, manned aircraft, including fixed-wing aircraft and helicopters, may be operating very close to ground level. Pilots conducting agricultural, firefighting, law enforcement, emergency medical, wildlife survey operations and a variety of other services all legally and routinely work in low-level airspace. Operators controlling UAS in these areas should maintain situational awareness, give way to, and remain a safe distance from these low-level, manned airplanes and helicopters.

FFAA is planning to mandate that our planes, etc. broadcast position, altitude and owner info implemented within the next 3 years. Hopefully the systems we use will be grandfathered!





Christmas Party @ Camp Piggott





Buzzard's 2019 Event Photo Review



Ranger Visit—January 2019



Freeze-In—January 2019



NW Model Hobby Expo Club Booth—January



Steve & Dart—Nite Fly—April 2019



Glider Event—May 2019



Boats & Floats —June 2019



Fun Fly—July 2019



Nite Fly 2—October 2019



Combat—September 2019



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION **2020**



BARNYARD BUZZARDS MODEL AIRPLANE CLUB (BBMAC)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ ZIP _____
AMA # _____ YEARS MODELING: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

RADIO FREQUENCIES 2.4 GHz 27 MHz 5.8 GHz
(72 MHz CHANNELS USED: _____)

(50 MHz Frequencies: _____)

MODELING EXPERIENCE (INCLUDING PREVIOUS CLUB MEMBERSHIPS)

PRIMARY INTERESTS/SKILLS:

- BUILDING
- COVERING
- PAINTING
- INSTRUCTOR
- PATTERN
- SCALE
- SPORT
- ELECTRONICS
- CONTEST JUDGE
- CONTEST DIRECTOR
- DESIGN/EXPERIMENTAL
- Helicopters:
- Gliders
- Drones/Quads/FPV

Please mail check and a photo copy of your current AMA membership to:
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 Lake Stevens, WA 98258
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BY ACCEPTING MEMBERSHIP, I HEREBY AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE RULES, BY-LAWS AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING CLUB FLYING AND RELATED ACTIVITIES, AND WILL MAINTAIN CURRENT MEMBERSHIP IN THE AMA FOR AS LONG AS I ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN SAID ACTIVITIES WITH THE CLUB.

IN CONSIDERATION OF MY USE OF THE CLUB FLYING FACILITY, I AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE LAND OWNER FROM AND AGAINST ALL CLAIMS, DAMAGES, LOSSES AND EXPENSES, INCLUDING REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES IN CASE IT SHALL BE NECESSARY TO FILE AN ACTION SUIT ARISING OUT OF MY PRESENCE AND USE OF THE FLYING SITE, WHICH IS FOR BODILY INJURY, ILLNESS, OR DEATH, OR FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE, CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY MY NEGLIGENT ACT OR OMISSION.

SIGNATURE: _____
DATE: _____

SPONSOR: _____ AMA CARD VERIFIED BY: _____

CLUB SECRETARY: _____
DATE: _____



25600 Monroe Camp Road, Snohomish, WA



Our club meetings are open to the public. We meet at 6:30 PM on the **2nd Wednesday** of each month at Alfy's Pizza in the Staples Plaza on RT2, Monroe, WA. If you would like additional information, come out to a club meeting, or contact one of our club officers.

Each meeting starts with an introduction of the club officers followed by a short business meeting. Next we have a **program** about some aspect of the hobby/sport.

Then, a **Show & Tell** and **raffle** conclude the meeting, which ends at around 8:00 PM.

Upcoming Meetings

Meetings begin at 6:30 PM
2nd Wednesday

Jan	8	Alfy's Pizza
Feb	12	Alfy's Pizza
Mar	11	Alfy's Pizza
Apr	8	Alfy's Pizza

Camp Edward and the Hanner's Memorial Field are located north of Monroe, Washington in Snohomish County. The most common route is from Highway 2 in Monroe near Albertson's. Turn north onto Woods Creek Road. As you travel north on Woods Creek road, it will come to a Y intersection, stay to the right (Yeager Rd).

If you go the left as shown by MapQuest, make sure you take the **next right** to stay on Woods Creek Road. Then stay to the **left** at the intersection where Yeager rejoins Woods Creek Road, **be careful as oncoming traffic does not stop.**

Yeager will rejoin Woods Creek Road at a 4-way intersection. Stay straight-ish, not a hard right, **be careful as oncoming traffic does not stop.** In a few miles you will pass the entrance to Camp Pigott. Keep going. Turn right at the "T" intersection at Lake Roesiger Road. At the next "Y" intersection, stay right, staying on South Lake Roesinger Road. Turn right at Monroe Camp Road, (Lake Roesinger Store will be on the left). In about a mile, the road will fork again, stay straight. After a short distance you will see the Red Barn and our gate. Our parking is past the gate on the East side of the barn. It seems complicated, but once you come out, you'll see it is an easy drive...

—>Alfy's Pizza (our monthly meeting place) is along RT2 in the plaza near Harbor Freight—6:30 PM the second Wednesday of each month.



Barnyard Buzzards Pilot Training



Our club is dedicated to the safe pursuit and advancement of model aviation. We offer all members free lessons to learn how to build models and to fly them. If you should have any questions about the club, flight instruction or membership requirements, call any of the club officers. We have a safety checklist available.

Current Flight Instructors:

- Chet Blake (360) 863-2953
- Paul Dibble (425) 359-1808
- Ron Swift (425) 788-6045





Next meeting, **Wednesday, January 8th 6:30 PM** at
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North West
MODEL HOBBY **EXPO!**

January 25 & 26, 2020
Saturday: 9 am - 6 pm Sunday: 9 am - 5 pm

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