



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.

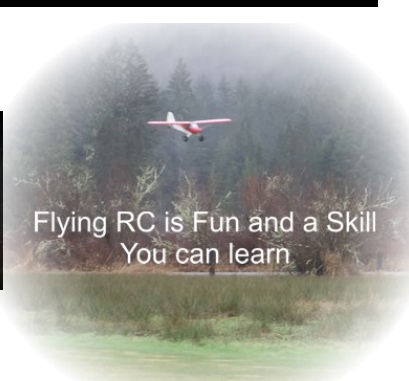
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Barnyard Buzzards

Model Airplane Club

AMA Chapter 2953
Monroe, Washington

Next Club Meeting is **Wednesday, February 12th, 6:30 PM** at Alfy's Pizza on RT 2 in Monroe ([See page 9 for a map](#)).
Program: Expo Discussion—Bargains & Our Club Table



Flying RC is Fun and a Skill You can learn

President's Message — Don Bailey

Winter has definitely moved into the Pacific Northwest in full force, with snow, rain, and cloudy grey skies. And yet the Buzzards, in typical undaunted style, keep on flying regardless of what Mother Nature has to throw at us. I love the spirit of this club! If there are showers in the forecast, we just fly between the

raindrops-- which was precisely the case for this year's annual Buzzards Freeze-In event on January 11th. Even though the forecast was less than ideal, a good number of our club members showed up and managed to do quite a bit of flying

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January 8th Meeting Minutes

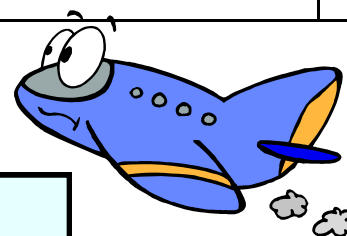
President Don Bailey called the meeting to order at 6:32pm
President Bailey introduced the club officers:
President – Don Bailey
Vice President – Vince Bell
Secretary – Mark Weeks
Treasurer – Vaughan Houser - Unable to attend
Safety Officer – Dart Sharp
18 Club Members were in attendance 3 Guests-Tom Avirel, Dick

Ovrid, and Doug Hoff were in attendance.
Motion to accept minutes as posted - seconded and passed

OFFICER REPORTS

Vice President – Vince reported that the Freeze-In scheduled for the 4th was moved to the 11th due to menacing weather reports.
Secretary – Mark reported we have

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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 Houser (360) 691-2800

Safety Officer: Dart Sharp

Webmaster: Mark Weeks (425) 328-5705

Field: Jay Bell (206) 234-7786 / Bryan Reightley (206) 940-0638

Newsletter Editor: Ron Swift (425) 788-6045



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during the dry spells between showers, and everyone enjoyed the camaraderie and comforting hotdog/cheeseburg lunch under the canopies. The propane fire pits were a welcome addition for warming the chilled participants between flights!

One thing we all appreciate as members of the Barnyard Buzzards club is the laid-back nature of our club culture, with lots of yacking and chumming to go along with the flying and other R/C recreational activities. It is all a part of being at an isolated site way out in the woods, where we can enjoy the sights and sounds of nature and all of its quietude and serenity. We are aware that with other clubs under the threat of losing their flying sites, and having to look elsewhere for a new home for their aeromodelling activities, our club field becomes all that more attractive. We always encourage new members to join us, with the caveat that they participate in preserving the unique, slow-paced climate that we all enjoy at the Barnyard field. There is a level of gentlemanly behavior that is prevalent with all of our field participants, such as showing courtesy to the beginners

who need our patience and assistance, or to the different types of aircraft that we typically fly, from small electrics and gliders to helis and drones and glow and gas, that is implicitly understood and observed by all. This is surely the most valued quality of our club, that goes beyond the beautiful flying site and club amenities that we all value and enjoy.

I encourage all of us to continue to observe the safety rules that the club has posted, and to continue to be vigilant and respectful to the other members at the field. Keep it up, guys, you're doing great!

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



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50 members at the beginning of the meeting, more to come.

Treasurer – Vaughan sent word that our finances are in good shape.

Safety Officer – Nothing new to report. Everyone is being safe.

Field Manager – Nothing new. Bryan and Jay not able to attend meeting

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

Chet told a story about an older gentleman and shared history of the original homesteaders. His name Joe Buzzard Buzzards

Discussion came up about the absentee voting procedure. The new Board will work to update it. It also came up that when finalized it needed 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 sign-up sheet for the 2020 NWMH 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 talked about different Combat Classes.

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.

NEW BUSINESS

The freeze in was moved to January 11th due to weather. As it turned out the day turned out pretty nice and some flying was done. That being said the 11th we will have it rain snow or shine.

NWMH Expo is January 25 and 26 with setup beginning on the 24th. A sign-up sheet was passed around to man our club booth.

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The board met and has come up with our planned event schedule for 2020

Night Fly - April 18

Spring Clean-up - May 2nd

Glider Day - May 16th

Builders Contest (club Meeting night) June 10th

Boats and Floats - June 13th

Buzzards Auction - June 27th

Fun Fly – July 11th

Cars, FPV and Quads – Aug 1st

Combat event - September 12th

Fall Boats and Floats - September 26th

Rebuilders Contest (club Meeting night) - October 14th

Fall Night Fly - October 17th

Annual Christmas Party - December 12th

Freeze-in - January 2nd 2021

Don reported on some of the projects the board will be taking on

The Field Safety rules have not been updated since we moved to Hanner's field so they will be re-worked and presented to membership for approval in the upcoming months. One addition to safety rules that was discussed was posting on the frequency board a prohibition on 72MHz usage during the hours of the Floats-n-Boats event.

Another project will be revising the By-Laws to clean them up and make current. Some areas that need attention will be absentee voting, there was some talk regarding how motions can be made from the membership. Very lively decision occurred. It was brought up that after changes are proposed all members will have a vote to approve or reject said changes.

It was decided that plaques will be awarded to winners of contests and events in lieu of cash. Some events may have a small entry fee to help defer costs.

Field projects: car track finishing up, Crawler track planning and setting up, solar power for the container with battery charging station, large cherry tree removal and much more.

Show and Tell:

Fred shared his 1946 Sunspot and kit form the UK. He converted to electric power using a 3s 2650 battery. One special thing he pointed out was that the

stabilizer was attached with rubber bands for ease of traveling. The huge plane only weighed in at 4 lbs 2 oz. Very nice job.

Ron Swift showed his flying wing from Hobby King. It is a Tomahawk around \$60.00 [recent ad had the kit for \$39.99] and maybe good for FPV flying. Ron did say that he needed to add a little thrust angle adjustment to keep in from diving into the ground. But once that was done it flies like a dream.

Don Shared his Eflight Pitts S-1. He saw and flew Steve Anderson's and just had to have one for himself.

Mike Small shared his Futaba kit, an Acrostar 120 that his dad had purchased many years ago. Mike is looking forward to getting his first build under his belt and see how she flies. He will be looking at the EXPO for a power plant to add.

Jim Stewart shared a built-up wing that he has been working on. It looks really nice, Don had suggested some modifications last month and they really look slick. Jim also shared a 60's or early 70's Cox control line Warhawk that he found in a second hand store. He stole it for \$30.00

PROGRAM - Don brought in his Black Horse Fairchild Model 24 Argus to share tricks when building large scale planes. He also brought some tools that come in handy. He had long tweezers for reaching into places your hands won't go and a pair of long Forceps. Also talked about the use of a plum bob for lining things up. Thanks Don

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None

ADJOURNMENT 8:10pm
Respectfully submitted by:

Mark Weeks
Club Secretary





Safety Corner

By Dart Sharp

With the weather getting worse I find I have time to catch up with other flyers on the web and see what their up to. Every once in awhile I'll see where somebody had a lipo fire. Sometimes this is because of a crash that damaged the battery and sometimes it's because of a charging error. Lately I've seen a few that supposedly just caught on fire for no reason. Usually there is a reason but one that was missed earlier. Either way the result is the same, a LIPO fire. Bad stuff.



I was storing my batteries in LIPO bags for the most part, but realized I also had larger 6s packs just sitting on tables or wherever they fit. This is one of three places they were stored. Not a great idea. I noticed what another pilot had done and decided to copy it. This is the end result. I feel much better with this setup. I got the box from Harbor Freight on sale for \$149. Much cheaper than a burnt house. This idea came from John Blaser who is in one of the flying groups I'm in.



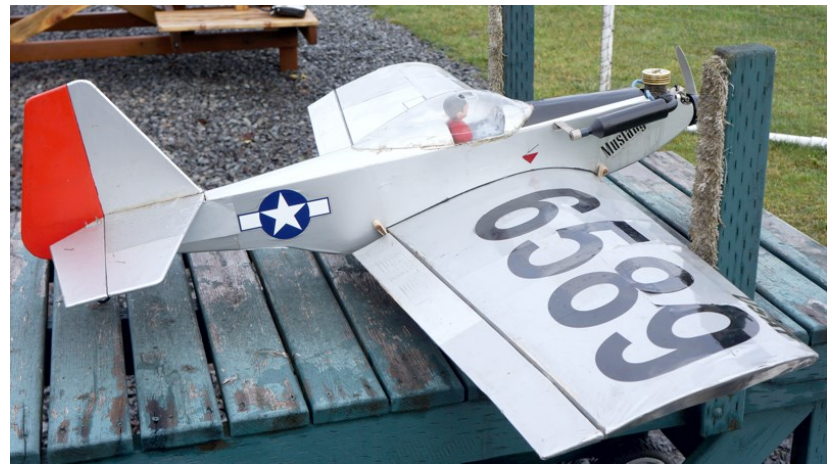
Upcoming Events



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 photos of our club events.
Night Fly	April 18 Club Flying Field	From Dusk until Open flying before dusk, too!
Glider Competition Event	May 16 at the Club Flying Field starting at 10:00 AM	Electric Glider Limited Motor Run (LMR) with spot landing points. Lunch will be available, too!
Builder's Contest	June 10 during our club meeting starting at Alfys Pizza at 6:30 PM	Bring your models that were never previously in the Builder's Competition, especially ones that were built this year. Usual \$5.00 Entry fee per model → prizes for 1st—3rd place
Floats & Boats 1	At Lake Hughes, part of the club flying area, starting at 10:00 AM, June 13	Power boats, sail boats, float planes, barges, submarines, anything that water centric. Lunch will be available, too!
Club Charity Auction	June 27 starting at 10:00 AM at our club field. Three categories: Personal items, Items where proceeds go to our club, Items where the proceeds go to our club charity	Yes, this is our traditional Chinese style auction, where the owner of the item can refuse to accept the final bid. Loads of fun, bargains galore and Lunch will be available, too!
Fun Fly	July 11 starting at 10:00 AM	All kind of flying events, which involve simple maneuvers take off, landing, loops and rolls and LOTS of LUCK! Lunch will be available, too!



Weekday Flying at the Buzzards Field





Freeze-in





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



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.

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.

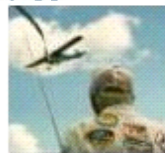


Upcoming Meetings

**Meetings begin at 6:30 PM
2nd Wednesday**

Feb	12	Alfy's Pizza
Mar	11	Alfy's Pizza
Apr	8	Alfy's Pizza
May	13	Alfy's Pizza
June	10	Alfy's Pizza

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





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Program: **Expo Discussion—Bargains & Our Club Table**



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