



# 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

The April 2020 Club Meeting has been cancelled. [More info on Page 9.](#) Stay tuned for future meeting notices. Stay safe and enjoy the building season!



Fred's Show & Tell!

### President's Message — Don Bailey

Hey, Buzzards! Who would have guessed just a few months ago that we'd all find ourselves at this point in time hunkered down in our houses in the midst of a threatening pandemic? Yet here we are, staying close to home and waiting for the Corona virus to go to ground so we can all return to normal. Fortunately-

ly for us, we still have permission from Camp Edwards to continue to fly out at the Buzzards' field. The Washington state authorities are encouraging us to get outside in the fresh air and go for a walk or jog or ride bikes, as long as we ob-

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### March 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes

President Don Bailey called the meeting to order at 6:30pm  
President Bailey introduced the club officers:  
President – Don Bailey  
Vice President – Vince Bell  
Secretary – Mark Weeks  
Treasurer – Vaughan Houser  
Safety Officer – Dart Sharp  
21 Club Members were in attendance. Bart Bixel was welcomed as our guest.

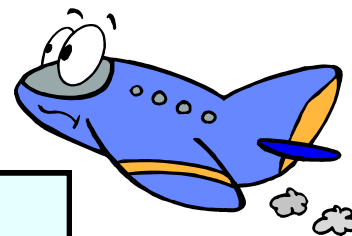
### OFFICER REPORTS

Vice President – Vince reported that the next event planned will be the night fly April 18th.

Secretary – Mark reported we have 36 paid members at the beginning of the meeting, more to come.

Treasurer – Vaughan reported that our finances are in good shape.

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### Club Officers and Contacts

President: Don Bailey (425) 350-9557

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serve the appropriate practices of social distancing. I would include flying model airplanes as an aspect of this sort of activity. Members are urged to observe proper social distancing while at the field, and please let's keep the number of pilots to a minimum if we can. Of course, anyone who is ill for any reason should stay at home until they return to good health-- as is always the case.

As a result of the current situation, our April 8<sup>th</sup> club meeting at Alf's has been cancelled. While no one can say when things will return to normal, we accept that some of our planned events may end up being jeopardized over the next month or two. Keep an eye on your email inbox for any new notifications from the Board regarding upcoming events. We will do our best to reschedule any cancelled events as best as possible. This is one time when we will all have to remain flexible with our calendar. With any luck the virus will abate soon and we will have a full and enjoyable flying season this year.

In the meantime, I hope you are all taking advantage of more "downtime" at home to work on up-

grading your fleet, or adding to it with new model airplane projects. I have been rummaging through my stockpile of kits to see what I want to build next! I guess there is an upside to every bad situation!

Please know that your Board is continuing to work behind the scenes to keep the club operating at full tilt. We extend our heartfelt sympathies to any of our members who are experiencing hardship as a result of this situation, and we urge all of you to be safe and be healthy!

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



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

Field Manager – Nothing new. Bryan and Jay performed a tune up on the Cub Cadet mower

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

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

## OLD BUSINESS

2020 membership dues must be paid before the end of the March business meeting to avoid penalty fee of \$25.00.

May 2<sup>nd</sup> we are going to have a work party. There will be an agenda and some guidance as to the projects that we will tackle coming up before the event. We need everyone's help. There is a project for everyone no matter your skill level. A list of projects will be coming out soon.

The updated safety rules should be out soon for the membership to view and comment on. Mark to send when approved

The board is also updating a couple of the bylaws that have been out of date. Also, more to come.

It was asked when we were going to purchase a new mower - after all spring is coming and prices will

be on the rise soon. The board nominated Paul Dibble to head up the purchase and to find the "best price for the Best Mower possible."

## NEW BUSINESS

The latest and final version of the field and safety rules was sent out to the membership and edits have occurred. The new updated version was shared. Motion was made to adopt with a second. Motion passed. Mark to update the web and post at the field as well as send the new version to the membership.

Paul Dibble has purchased and with the help of Bryan delivered the new mower to the field. Thanks goes out to Paul and Bryan.

Mark Weeks is nearly done constructing the year round shelter out at the field. This shelter will provide a dry place in the winter to gather as well as a shady area to fly gliders and quads from. Mark also wanted to give a big thank you to Chet and Bryan as they have done so much to help. Mark reported that there are only a couple things left to do and it is usable as is now.

Ron Swift got word out that there will be a summer swap meet at the Evergreen State fairgrounds

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on July 11<sup>th</sup>. Check it out at ([www.exposummerswap.com](http://www.exposummerswap.com)) There is a large portion of our members that would like to attend the swap meet but we have a conflict with our fun fly the same day. There was a motion to change a couple of events on our schedule to help accommodate this. The Fun Fly is now scheduled for June 27<sup>th</sup>, and our charity auction will be held on July 18<sup>th</sup>.

Don talked about the upcoming work party and how we will split up the tasks. Some of the tasks that we will tackle are the removal of the Cherry Tree, adding steps to the Car Track drivers stand, and reworking a couple of the jumps. Adding a fresh coat of paint to the flight tables, adding a new top to the 8' table, covering the new flight stations with netting. Reinstall the awning covers (if not done already). Moving into its new location the 3rd awning. Work on the crawler track, Other ideas? The plan will be to get the work done quickly, have lunch and get some flying in.

Vince reported that he had fabricated 2 more flight stations and all that is needed now is to add the netting.

Bryan and Jay have installed the new flags at the north end of the runway as a reminder that there is a road there and cars and logging trucks that do occasionally use it

Just a reminder was shared that the club has a Facebook page and it is a good way to share pictures and also make plans to fly with others out at the field.

## Show and Tell

Fred brought his 1938 Thracy Petrides "PB-2" in to share. Really nice plane. He has converted to electric using a AXI2826 motor on 4S LIPO power to get the 96" wingspan bird off the ground and into the thermals.

## PROGRAM

Paul Dibble shared a pretty cool bit of software to design wings. SoreSoft is its name and you can find it at <http://www.compufoil.com/index.shtml>. He did a quick demo showing some of its features. If you want to know more just ask him, I'm sure he will be glad to help.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT 8:00pm

Respectfully submitted by:

Mark Weeks

Club Secretary



Meeting and Show & Tell - What Fun!





# Safety Corner

By Dart Sharp

Greetings all,

April is here and the warmer weather is supposed to be here but it seems it's on vacation so far. Oh well, it will show up soon enough and in a few months, we will be looking for the shade. It's looking like the start of this season is going to be very different than any other I can remember. Usually around now people are planning big and small flying events and get togethers. But with covid-19 most have been cancelled or postponed.

Our field is open and a few of us are out flying when the rain does stop. When we do, fly together, it is from a distance, at least two wing spans. I plan to fly as much as I can and hope everyone else does the same. Remember to keep some distance from each other and if you feel under the weather be sure to stay home. I hope everybody stays healthy and hope to see all of you at the field.



Dart BBMAC Safety Officer



## Upcoming Events

<b>Night Fly</b>	April 18 Club Flying Field	From Dusk until .... Open flying before dusk, too!
<b>Glider Competition Event</b>	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!
<b>Builder's Contest</b>	June 10 during our club meeting starting at Alfy's 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
<b>Floats &amp; Boats 1</b>	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!
<b>Fun Fly</b>	June 27 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!
<b>Club Charity Auction</b>	July 18 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!





# Field Update Photos



Who are these Buzzards? Vince, Vaughan, & Jim ! June 2004













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

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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.

Due to the virus conditions and common sense, the meeting for April has been cancelled. Please check our website <https://www.bbmac.net>, email from our club secretary, and our newsletter for updates. If you want a newsletter mailed to you, please contact Ron Swift.

As it stands today, Alfy's Pizza is closed for meetings.

We still have a few active members out at the field flying and enjoying the few days where the rain holds off for a while.

We are looking forward to the future where normal club meetings and flying will occur!



### Upcoming Meetings

Meetings begin at 6:30 PM  
2nd Wednesday

May 13	Alfy's Pizza
June 10	Alfy's Pizza
July 8	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







Next meeting, **TBD**  
Usually Held at Alfy's Pizza on RT 2 in Monroe  
Program: Meeting has been cancelled for April, 2020



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## **EXPO!** Summer Swap

July 11th, 2020  
Saturday: 9 am - 6 pm

[ExpoSummerSwap.com](http://ExpoSummerSwap.com)

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