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Barnyard Buzzards Model Airplane Club

AMA Chapter 2953
Monroe, Washington



Barnyard Buzzards Annual Auction and Open House on July 14th starting 10:00 AM at our club field

Next Club Meeting is **Tuesday, July 10th, 6:30 PM** at Alfy's Pizza on RT 2 in Monroe ([See page 9 for a map](#)).

Program: Programing the AS3x Receiver

President's Message — Mark Weeks

Hey Buzzards,
I saw somewhere that it was July already. But looking at the weather we have had this past month along with the forecast for the next week, you could have fooled me! However, I've noticed that weather really doesn't matter with our group; almost every Saturday I see at least a couple of guys out at the field, flying

or just sitting under that awning just shooting the breeze.

This month we will have our **Annual Auction and Open House**, on **Saturday, July 14th** starting at 10:00 AM so don't forget to attend, there will be many great deals to be had. Bring a friend along and

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May 8th Meeting Minutes — Chet Blake

President Mark Weeks called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with 16 members present.

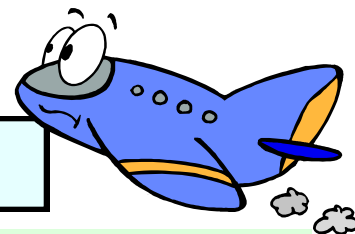
Mark Introduced the Officers---
Ron Swift - Treasurer, Chet Blake – Secretary, Don Bailey – Safety officer, Vince Bell- Vice President, Mark Weeks- President

3 guests were present: Bud Craft, Orin Humphries and Gerry Godsby (most likely misspelled so Chet's apologies). Suggestion going

forward, have guests sign in. These gentlemen visited to show interest in Control Line field use.

Additions or Corrections to the minutes – Chet had incorrectly stated in the minutes that there was a 90 day wait period for the proposed 'Reactivation fee of \$25' added on to the regular dues for tardy membership payments. This was caught early on and corrected by

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Club Officers and Contacts

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show off the club and what a wonderful area we have with all the new stuff that's going on or being planned. Then, that last Saturday in July we will have the **Quad and Drone event – Saturday, July 28th**, it's always entertaining, and a bunch of fun.

Don't forget to show up at the meeting on the 10th and watch me try and get through a demonstration on programming the AS3x receiver. I will even have a handout to pack in with your transmitter. I know that there will be questions, so Dart has

agreed to help me when I get stuck....this should be interesting.

All and all I hope to see you at the field, a meeting or wherever our paths cross. Enjoy the summer and get your flying in while the weather allows.

See ya at the field
Mark Weeks
2018 BBMAC President



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Ron Swift, Newsletter Editor in the newsletter version.

Officers Reports

Vice President – Vince reported that the Floats n Boats was postponed on 6/9 due to bad weather and rescheduled for Sat 6/16 10:00am at Lake Hughes.

Treasurer- Club Funds in good shape, funds are available for projects.

Secretary – We currently have 40 members.

Safety – Don stated that all is well. No news Is Good news!

Field Manager – Jay couldn't be there but Assist. Field Manager Bryan Reightley mentioned that the mower was throwing the belt off and a new one was purchased. It will be ready for the weekly cutting by Wednesday afternoon. Also, he and Jay went to the Lake Hughes dock area and weed whacked for a bit and everything looked ok. Just as an FYI, there is another dock the Scouts had built just south of the one we use. The second car port was erected on the north end of the field. It comes in handy as a sun shade while doing FPV with phone or tablet apps like the DJI Go or Go4 programs,

Newsletter Editor - Hard copies available and your input is needed. Please send Club interest and event pics to Ron Swift and Ron Rueter

Webmaster – Always looking for input, pics and Club news.

Old Business

We need to organize a work party for the BBQ cover.

The AMA announced that on May 8 the House of Representatives passed the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018. In short this means that they have in-

cluded Section 336 known as the Special Rule for Model Aircraft. The AMA thanked each and every person that wrote in to their Reps and supported their Call to Action.

There has been some discussion as to where to put the second awning. Mark proposed putting it on the north end as to accommodate flyers there instead of making everyone walk to the south one. Joint agreement was made to put it on the north end. If for some reason it didn't work out, it will simply be moved.

Our new member, Rich Primo, said he has a new car port awning that he no longer needs and will donate to the Club. Thanks Rich !!

Vince presented the Builders Contest rules. They will be emailed to everyone and the Webmaster.

Ron and Don discussed Control Line areas. Don refinished and covered CL plane that Mr. Fredericks had donated and Ron installed an engine and tank, ready for the test flight. It might even happen this Saturday (5/12) @ 10:00.

Dart has been able to get some dirt for the car/truck track and we'll need to spread it. He is looking for more dirt to build a gnarly track :-)

Discussion came up about late dues since we have dropped the Initiation fee which offered a penalty if not paid on time. *A motion was made to make a change in the by-laws calling for a \$25 Re-activation Fee. This will be on the minutes and tabled for 30 days for members to read and evaluate, then vote on at the meeting of the expiration of the 90 days. If approved the verbiage will be..."A \$25 Reactivation fee will be charged if dues are not paid for by the end of business at the March meeting. This \$25 fee will be added to the yearly dues and paid in full at the time of the delinquent dues payment. This will be voted*

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on at the July 10th meeting

NEW BUSINESS

Many thanks to Rich Primo for the donation of the car port. It was erected Saturday, June 2nd and serves well as a sun shade for FPV with a smart phone or tablet screen, general shade and member camaraderie and kibitzing. Thanks to Bryan, Vince, Vaughan, Dart, Mark, Tim and Dave for setting it up.

The FCC has taken notice of our amazing hobby and proposed a near \$3 million penalty to HobbyKing for selling FPV and receivers in the US that are not compliant to the FCC regulations and could operate on or interfere with Public Safety and Emergency channels. For more info go to ...

<https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/DA-16-1290A1.docx> or <https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/FCC-18-71a1.pdf> These may include the Orange receivers and transmitters also.

Mark proposed we go forward on purchasing a shed as the barn is getting worse and worse, day by day. The idea is not to buy it this month but get the membership agreement to buy a shed as soon as we are ready. We missed a really good deal at Costco because we weren't ready to go or have approval.

The Control line area was weed whacked by Mark. Mark had 3 pics that he passed around that showed the Control Line area, Car/Truck race track area and the overall of the Runway, Barn, Race track and Control Line area. After discussion it was determined that the control line area needs to be 140 ft. diameter. Mark will check it out. It will have to move west and that area is very wet so we need dirt. Dart mentioned that dirt is skyrocketing due to construction of a dike on the Snohomish river and the contractor is buying up anything that resembles dirt. We need to get a handle on this very soon.

There was a Motion, 2nd and approval for the Control Line aficionados to pursue the possibility of

expanding the Control Line area with required fill, finish and grass while considering a max budget of \$2000 and report back the findings and costs.

Orin and Jerry showed off their Control Line planes and a history of each. Beautiful models and workmanship.

Program

Annual Builder's Contest Completion. 7 entries were...

Fixed wing home built Scamper and electric boat the Genesis by Ron Swift, Balsa USA 1/4 scale Cub by Eric Bell, Flitetest Foam Board electric Fiesler Storch by Jim Stewart, Keil Kraft "Competitor"—1946 Bill Dean model and Blue Angel's Bearcat by Tim Shegrud.

Winners were... 1st Place Kit Eric Bell, 2nd Place Don Bailey, 3rd Place Jim Stewart and ARF Tim Shegrud.

Thanks to everyone for building and keeping this Club event alive!

Announcements or Comments Show and Tell

Next Meeting program – AS3X receivers and what they can do.

Motion to Adjourn: 8:16pm

Respectfully submitted by Chet Blake, BBMAC Secretary



Elmo's U-Control Model and story!



Jerry's U-Control Model and story!



Safety Corner



Don Bailey

“Protect Them Peepers!”

The next time you are in your shop, take a minute to break away from your building frenzy and do a quick survey of all of the things you’ve got in the way of protective gear. What is the single most important safety item you own? Latex gloves? Ear muffs? Box of BandAids? Fire extinguisher? If you ask me, the most important item on my list is a good pair of safety glasses!

Maybe it’s because I have only one eye that I am particularly keen to preserve my vision. (Those tales about kids and BB guns are real! My incident happened when I was twelve years old, while out trick-or-treating on Halloween.)

With only one good eye left, I take vision safety pretty seriously, as you can imagine, and I use my safety glasses regularly, out of habit and good instinct. All of the other safety items, such as gloves, aprons, ear plugs, etc., are also essential adjuncts in our shop, to prevent cuts and burns and other peripheral injuries. And in addition to these items, we all know that prudent shop practice, like locking your workpiece firmly in a vice before applying force to it, can go a long way toward avoiding serious injury. But the eyes are particularly fragile little organs, and are especially vulnerable to permanent damage from flying particles and hot gases. If you think about it, for the most part your eyes and your hands are closer to the work than any other part of your body. Putting up a clear protective shield (i.e., safety glasses or face mask) just makes good sense.

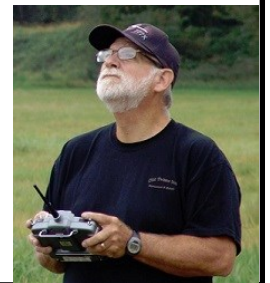
In just about every case, energy is key for assessing the risk of injury. I remember a kid on my block who tried to straighten a landing gear axle on the curb with a large hammer, and missed a stroke. The blow sent a fragment of concrete into his face, and split open his lower lip! He may have felt fool-

ish wearing a face mask, but that would have saved his winning smile. The metal axle refused to budge, so his every successive blow became harder and harder, until finally the concrete curb exploded in a small crater. I could almost see it coming....

When should you wear eye protection? I’d say, just about any time you are in a situation where energy is imparted to your workpiece and small fragments could go flying in any direction. I don’t always wear safety glasses while drilling or grinding into soft balsa, but sometimes I regret that decision, when I get hasty and blow my work clear of collected balsa dust, and get a poof cloud right in the face! Certainly, though, any time you take a Dremel tool to metal, you should wear your eye protection. Even fine metal particles can lodge in the soft cornea, and require medical intervention. Larger ones can puncture all the way to the retina. Carbon can also be perilous when ground or fractured, as it can unleash shards of the stuff into the air. Spinning propellers can also throw wayward fragments of carbon, wood, or plastic, with tremendous kinetic energy. This is why I always try to be either behind the prop disc or well in front of it, if I possibly can.

Keep your safety glasses on your shelf right next to you, so they will be convenient and not go overlooked. I wear mine right over my bifocal glasses, so I can still see close up. Slipping them on only takes a second, and can spare you a world of misery when the unpredictable happens!

Until next time, be safe and have fun! --Don Bailey, Safety



Sam Gibson’s F-4 Phantom rebuilt by Ron Swift, now flying!





Builder's Competition



Yep, the competition was fierce again this year. It was nice to see all of the entries weren't ARF models! Eric Bell brought his giant scale Balsa USA 1/4 scale Cub. Custom colors and excellent workmanship won him 1st place! Jim Stewart brought his Flitetest Foam Board electric Fiesler Storch; Keil Kraft's "Competitor" entered his 1946 Bill Dean model; Tim Shegrud entered his Blue Angel's Bearcat; and Ron Swift brought his self designed and built profile fixed wing Scamper—no plans, just sketches. He also brought his 1st electric ARF boat Genesis [It was run during our boats & Floats event –very fast!].

Winners were...Kit Category 1st Place Eric Bell, 2nd Place Don Bailey, 3rd Place Jim Stewart
 ARF Category Tim Shegrud.1st place, Ron's Genesis 2nd place
 Thanks to everyone for entering and judging the models. Thanks Vince for the rules and keeping the event fresh!



2018 Fun Fly



Yes, what a nice day we had for our Fun Fly this year. The field was well groomed, the wind was way down and the sun was up! Early in the morning, there were some sprinkles, but these cleared up by 10:00 AM

We had a amazingly close competition this year with 7 pilots entered. The difference between first, second and third place were separated by only a few points. When the dust settled, first place was captured by Steve, second place by Dean, and third by Tom. Each winner chose from the prizes and were handed their winning certificate by AMA Contest Director Ron Swift. Sandy brought out the Red Pepper pizza. They gave us a non-profit discount for the six pizzas we had. We actually received \$55.00 in donations, which just about covered the cost of the pizza.

Lets hope we have the same weather next year. Maybe we could get an inter-club event going for 2019!





Buzzard's Charity Auction

Barnyard Buzzards Annual Auction and Open House on July 14th starting 10:00 AM at our club field, 25821 Monroe Camp Rd Snohomish, WA 98290. AMA members are welcome to fly before and after the auction! There are three areas reserved for items to be auctioned: **Sky Valley Food Bank** (our club charity), Club, and Owner. The Barnyard Buzzards MAC becomes the owner by default for the charity and club auction items. The proceeds go to the owner. There will be tables assigned for Charity, Club Benefit and Owner items. No commission, no fees. Donations accepted!

The auction will be run "Chinese" style, meaning the owner reserves the right to refuse the final bid and remove the item from the auction. This prevents low ball bids and hard feelings. Payment for all items is between the owner and the high bidder. Contact Ron Swift with any questions: call (425) 788-6045 or email ronswift@cablespeed.com

The idea is to have fun and possibly get some project items for the building season! We have lots of RC kits, planes, boats, engines, transmitters, batteries, etc. in the auction! We will auction any item you want to bring. It is recommended you label your items with your name, a description and requested initial bid and bring a table for your items! We will have several tables at the club field for the auction, first come first served. You can bring your items starting at 8:30 AM. Food will be served starting at 12:30 PM.



We have planes, radios, tools, hardware, kits and more to auction this year!



Upcoming Events

The public is always welcome to come and check out our events free. All AMA pilots are welcome to participate in these events. We will have food and beverages available for each of the flying events.

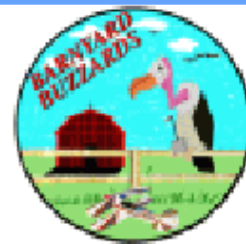
July 14	Auction/Open House	Club Field	Starts at 10:00 AM
July 28	Drones/FPV	Club Field	Starts at 10:00 AM
September 15	Floats & Boats 2	Club Lake	Starts at 10:00 AM
October 6	Combat	Club Field	Starts at 10:00 AM
October 9	Rebuilder's Contest	Club Meeting	Starts at 6:30 PM
November 10	Night Fly 2	Club Field	Starts at 6:30 PM
December 8	Christmas Party	Scout Lodge	Starts at 2:00 PM
January 5, 2019	Annual Freeze-In	Club Field	Starts at 10:00 AM

See the map on page 9—Guests are always invited to every event!



Please send your application and dues to:
 BBMAC
 C/o Ron Swift
 16325 315th Ave NE
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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

BARNYARD BUZZARDS MODEL AIRPLANE CLUB

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

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PHONE: _____ AMA # _____ YEARS MODELING: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

Full Membership:	\$90.00
Family:	\$45.00
Student:	\$25.00

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: _____

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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...

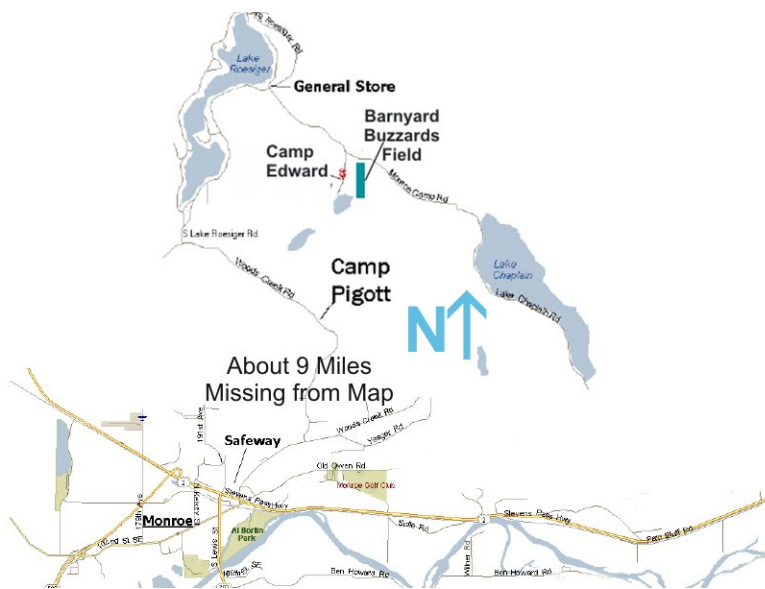
—>Alfy's Pizza (our monthly meeting place) is along RT2 in the Staples plaza near the new Harbor Freight store.

Barnyard Buzzard's Club Meeting

Our club meetings are open to the public. We meet at 6:30 PM on the **2nd Tuesday** 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 8:30 PM.

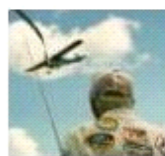


Upcoming Meetings

Meetings begin at 6:30 PM
2nd Tuesday

- July 10 Alfy's Pizza
- August 14 Alfy's Pizza
- September 11 Alfy's Pizza
- October 9 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, **Tuesday, July 10th 6:30 PM** at
Alfy's Pizza on RT 2 in Monroe ([see map on page 9](#)).

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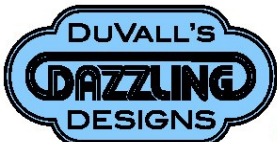
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