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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.

Barnyard Buzzards

AMA Chapter 2953 Monroe, Washington

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Our September 9th 2020 Club Meeting will be held starting at 6:30 PM at the club field. A map and info is on <u>page 11</u>. The Public is always invited with social distancing.

Program: A Combat Event Demo-uno contra uno (one on one)

President's Message — Don Bailey

Hey, Buzzards! Well, the leaves are starting to turn color and the fall season is right around the corner. Time to reflect on what a great summer we had this year— with lots of sunshine and fabulous flying weather out at the Buzzards club field. I managed to get in a LOT of good flying and thermalling and chumming with the gang, and I hope you did, too! At our last meeting, we fielded comments on the suggestion of capping our club membership at 65 members maximum, as a measure to prevent parking shortages and

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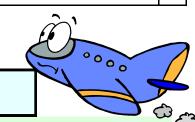
August Meeting Minutes

President Don Bailey called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm President Bailey introduced the club officers: President – Don Bailey Vice President – Vince Bell Secretary – Mark Weeks Treasurer – Vaughan Houger Safety Officer – Dart Sharp

19 Club Members were in attendance, including new member Charlie Lewis.

Motion to accept minutes as posted Seconded and Passed

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Grant and Don—Quite the show!

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overcrowding at the field. A motion was made, but failed approval at this time. We will need to keep an eye on our membership count to ensure that this does not become a problem in the coming months. We also discussed opening up some new parking spaces where the port-a-potties are located. It was decided that they will be moved to the far end of the storage container and new parking will be made available where they once stood. Members are reminded to maintain social distancing at all times while at the field, and to park in a courteous and considerate manner in the designated spaces.

We still have some final field improvements to do this year, such as enhancing the gravel drive and parking areas, and brush-hogging the open field beyond the runway. As always, members are encouraged to volunteer their time and effort in keeping our field a pleasurable place to fly. Help is always needed— and appreciated!

As a reminder, our next club meeting will be out at the club field on Wednesday, September 9th, at

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6:30PM. Also, don't forget that we will be having our annual Combat event on the following Saturday, Sept 12th, hosted by Scott Curtis, and our Fall Floats-n-Boats event will be held at Lake Hughes on Sept 26th.

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



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OFFICER REPORTS

- Vice President Last month the Club Charity Auction, the Quads Cars and More events went off very well. The upcoming events in September will be Combat on 9/12 and Boats and Floats on 9/26
- Secretary We are currently at 59 members
- *Treasurer* Finances are in good shape
- Safety Officer Everyone is being safe and practicing social distancing guidelines
- Field Manager Jay and Bryan have exchanged positions. Contact Bryan with any field issues and he will handle them. We need to remember we are on Boy Scout property and we need to keep the area within and around our field clean. We do not have a garbage service so pack out what you pack in. We want to be good stewards of what we have.
- *Newsletter Editor* –always looking for new [photos, building tips] and event info for the newsletter.
- Webmaster Pics, news and comments are always wanted for the website. Some new areas being developed to help with new members

OLD BUSINESS

Topic of adding a centerline down the runway to assist with landing was brought up. Idea would be to locate a line spreader and use lime. A motion was made and approved.

The parking area will be needing a new layer of gravel this year as a maintenance item. Discussion regarding costs and timing followed, It also was noted that there is a soft area that has popped up in the parking area and it needs filling at the same time. Dart will head up gathering costs, and timing of the installation. And report back next meeting,

The Tank Pit and crawler track are really taking shape, Dart and Steve Anderson have taken on the tank area as their project. There has been a couple loads of dirt and rock delivered to be used for these projects. Thanks goes out to Dart for the materials. Just a reminder when it comes to projects like these if you have an idea please share or jump right in and lend a hand.

The website is undergoing some changes in the Members Only area adding a Member Bio area with Members' Photos. This should help both new and old members know who is who. Any other ideas of what you would like to see drop Mark an email.

The mowing sign-up sheet is online. – seems like the same few are signing up please look at the available dates and sign-up. It's easy to do and Jay has made a simple guide to the mower and process and placed it with the mower



Hello, everyone, and welcome to September.

As we get closer to the fall flying season, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for being safe and courteous all summer long. It is a simple thing to be safe while we enjoy our model airplane activities, by being aware of our surroundings, planning ahead, observing the field rules, and being considerate of our fellow modelers. All of you are doing a great job! You make my job easy! Thanks!

Remember that there are places where airplanes should not be flown, such as behind the flight stations, over the car track, and low passes

By Dart Sharp

over the road (unless executing a landing from the north). Also, be conscious of the trees to the east. They are only 800 feet away, and you want to stay high up if you think you may be that far out. Keep your landing pattern in close to the runway and you should be fine.

Looking forward to some good flying out at the field in the coming fall months with the rest of you! Fly safe and fly a lot!

Dart.



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Dart brought up making sure that we are using our call-outs. With our population getting older and harder of hearing we want to make sure we are being heard and that we are making our intentions clear and understood.

The Porta potties are in need of pumping out. Bryan reached out (during the meeting) to get them done.

We are always looking for more chairs to have under the awnings. Please watch Garage sales etc. for them. Ron Swift may have a line on some that may be able to be donated to the club.

The need for a small mower to help maintain the upper car area was brought up. There is not enough room to use the riding mower. After some discussion, a motion was made to purchase a push self/propelled mower for no more than \$140.00. Motion passed and Ron Swift volunteered to take care of it

With the club auction coming up Ron reminded everyone to check their hangers, find stuff that they may want to sell or donate. Mark will send out reminders to both the membership and other club contacts. Ron will be the auctioneer again as he has done such a great job in the past

NEW BUSINESS

We are getting to the point at times when parking is at a premium. We are looking at some new ideas as how to provide more spaces. Some ideas that were brought us: Relocate Porta potties. (Will be moved after next cleaning)

Add gravel south of container and extend driveway (Dart working gravel estimate)

Work with Scouts to move Barn debris (Bryan to talk with Ranger Dave)

Clean up upper barn area (Work Party?) Also remember that parking in front of the Frequency board is not allowed. This is an open area.

A motion was made to cap our membership at 65. After much debate the motion failed. The Club will monitor the usage and if it become an issue will address at that time. Please sign the log-book to help monitor field usage.

Bryan brought up that some sort of signage would be helpful at the main gate. Mark will ask his wife to come up with something like the Frequency board to place on the gate

A question was asked regarding mowing. What gets mowed and trimmed when you sign up. For now, when you mow you are responsible for the field, pit area, gate area and the grassy area under and around the awnings.

Car Track and Upper area are not required, and we will look into a different sign-in sheet if it becomes a bigger need.

PROGRAM

Slow Stick Grant and Don both brought their Slow sticks. Don stayed with a brushed motor and the ability to take apart for

transport. Grant chose to power his with a brushless system. Both flew really nice and they did a little pilon race. If you are looking at an easy to fly, easy to transport plane you

have to look into these. Check them out at Aloft Hobbies.

ANNOUNCE-MENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT 8:10pm







August Club meeting photos













Please sign up for the grass cutting and weed whacking tasks on our
website, <u>http://www.BBMAC.net</u>. A team of 2 or 3 can make easy work of
the job, since you won't have to go around trees. Some members men tioned they would rather mow the club field than their home lawn!

With two tractors, a self powered 21-inch lawn mower and several weed whackers to help groom the field and off runway areas, it doesn't take long to do the job, especially with helpers!

Please make sure to check the tractor oil level before starting the engine. Thank you for pitching in!

2020 BBMAC Project List – Needing Volunteers

- 1. Move the third awning to the south side of the container
- 2. Build work table for car track area

- 3. Place weed/grass killer on car track
- 4. Design and work on Crawler track
- 5. Brush back the hillside between car track and parking--blackberries
- 6. Build serving table next to BBQ
- 7. Dump Run—(old BBQ, old lawn mower, etc.) from behind the port-a-potties (Done, thanks Ron Beba!)
- 8. Paint tables
- 9. Replace top on 8 ft table (Done, thanks to Bryan Reightley)
- 10. Cut blackberries going up to car track both ends
- 11. Install power and lights in the container-- Solar panel
- 12. Your approved special project

Please contact any of the club officers (see page 1) to volunteer or get more details for these projects. You are welcome to form your own team and help make these happen.

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Combat	September 12 10:00 AM Club Field	Run what you brung event. Cut streamers on the competition's planes for points. Land on a points grid, too!
Floats & Boats 2	September 26 10:00 AM Lake Hughes	If it plays on water. Bring it!
Rebuilder's Contest	October 14th 6:30 PM Club Meeting	Participate in this exhibition of builder's craft with resurrected or demolished hobby stuff
Nite Fly	October 17 10:00 AM Club Field	We don't need no sun to have flying fun! Come check this one out! Lots of Lights









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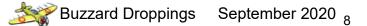








Please send in your model, flying and interesting photos to Ron Swift [ronswift@cablespeed.com] if you would like have it published in future issues of our club newsletter and/or website!













Rick Hanners flying at our Open House event at the Lewis Street flying field . Photo from September 2009



Remember when we participated in the Index Art Festival. Lots of folks were interested in our models and the club. Photo from September 2009

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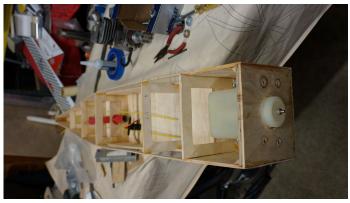
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Will it be completed on time? The Combat 2.7 model weas started on August 17th in an attempt to finish it by September 12th for the combat event. This kit was in the NW Model Hobby Expo swap building for the past 3 years—no takers.

So, why not unroll the plans, written instructions, glue, pins, wax paper, right angle squares and LOTS of patience. The fuselage is completed, but the Brison 50cc engine hasn't been run in years...

It should be a great flying airplane, so says the info on the box. Sure would have been nice if the balsa wood was cut to the right size. Alas, the 1/2x3/8 inch sticks and mopre for the tail feathers needed to be made.

A few customizing changes were made—pull-pull cables for the rudder and dual elevator servos on the sides of the fuselage. Not a big deal these have been done before and actually worked!

More to come and hopefully this Combat target for the other competi-



tors will be ready!. The vinyl gradient covering printed for the fuse sides is new and more to come. I didn't remember this being so much fun and taking so much glue and covering! Stay tuned... Ron Swift

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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 <u>next right</u> to stay on Woods Creek Road. Then stay to the <u>left</u> at the intersection where Yeager rejoins Woods Creek Road, <u>be careful as on-</u> coming traffic does not stop.

Yeager will rejoin Woods Creek Road at a 4-way intersection. Stay straight-ish, not a hard right, <u>be careful as oncoming traffic does not</u> <u>stop</u>. 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...





Due to the virus conditions and common sense, the meeting for the near future will be held at our club field. Please check our website http://www.bbmac.net, email from our club secretary, and our club newsletter.

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

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 at our club field until the restaurants are reopened...

September 9	Flying Field
October 14	TBD
November 11	TBD
December 9	TBD
January 13, 20	21 TBD

Barnyard Buzzards Pilot Training

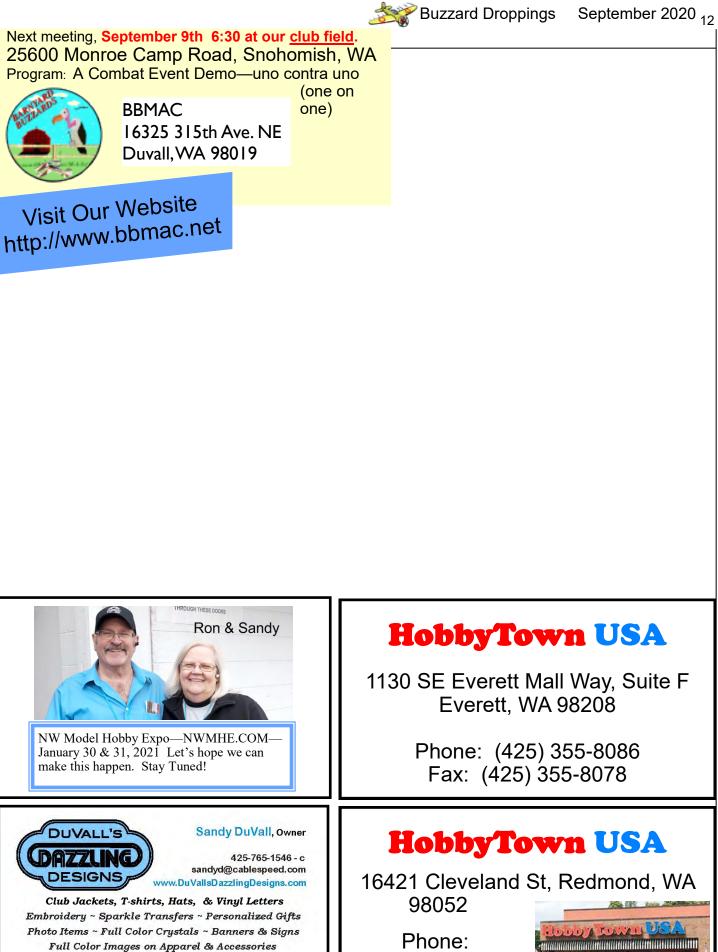
Our club is dedicated to the safe pursuit and advancement of model aviation. We offer all members free lessons to learn how to build models and to fly them. If you should have any questions about the club, flight instruction or membership requirements, call any of the club officers. We have a safety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

Current Flight Instructors:

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