



Buzzard Droppings



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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.

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Barnyard Buzzards

Model Airplane Club

AMA Chapter 2953
Monroe, Washington

Next Club Meeting is **Tuesday, October 11th, 6:30 PM** at Alfy's Pizza on RT 2 in Monroe ([See page 9 for a map](#)).

Program: Rebuilder's Competition !



We did it in the rain!

President's Message — Chet Blake

Hey Buzzards!
Well it's been a busy summer and a lot accomplished. We've had the busiest 30 days that I can recall in Buzzard history. Road way underlayment cloth laid, Dart Sharp driving truck all day and spreading gravel making an out-

standing parking lot and pit area. The pre-cursor for this was Len Douma and his tractor cutting the hill side back for the extra parking space, digging out bolder sized rock, and filling in the north end of the runway.

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September 13th Meeting Minutes — Mark Weeks

The meeting was called to order by President Chet Blake at approximately -----6:36 with 10 members and guest Erin Green a former member in attendance. Club Officers were introduced by the club President, Chet Blake:

- President** – Chet Blake
- Vice President** – Tim Shegrud
- Secretary** – Mark Weeks
- Treasurer** – Ron Swift
- Safety Officer** – Vince Bell
- Field Manager** – Jay Bell

Webmaster – Ron Rueter
Newsletter Editor – Ron Swift

Chet called for additions or corrections to the minutes as published on the web/newsletter. No one provided any corrections and a motion was made to accept the minutes. The minutes were approved.

Reports

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Club Officers and Contacts

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Field Manager: Jay Bell (206) 234-7786

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We held a Floats n Boats event and a Fall Night Fly. If you haven't been to the field lately, go check it out. You'll be amazed, If you have, you'll see what continues to make this Club the best around... you!!

If you've repaired or rebuilt a plane or multi-rotor, bring it for the Rebuilder's Competition to the October meeting.

Still lots of great flying time,
see ya at the field.



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VP – Model Aviation Day was a success and there was a good turnout.

Quad and Glider event was a bit windy but everyone had a good time.

Boats and Floats event is Sunday September 18th, and our second night fly is October 1st

Treasurer – Funds are in good shape \$509.00 so far for our charity. Roughly \$1600.00 spent on the pit and parking area gravel work. Still funds in the bank and we are on track with our budget.

Secretary - The membership level at the present time is 36 members.

Safety Officer – No real issues at the field. Remember to be safe. Take extra care while at the lake event.

Newsletter Editor - Printed copies of the newsletter are available for anyone who wishes a hard copy. Ron asks that if people take pictures at our events to please send copies to him and Ron Rueter, for possible newsletter/website usage.

Field Manager – Gravel has been placed in the pit and parking areas. Grading has been completed at the north end of the runway. The dock still needs some work but it is OK to use for the lake event on the 18th.

OLD BUSINESS

Model Aviation Day is Saturday August 13th. Tim has perused and got a public announcement in the Everett Herald and Safeway has donated \$25.00 towards the event for food or whatever is needed. Good job, Tim! Festivities start at 10:00am, bring or notify your friends and family. Tim has arranged to have the grill manned.

After Saturday's Model Aviation Day/Open

House the next events are multi-rotors and gliders August 27th, Boats and Floats Sunday September 18th. There is plenty of time to get ready for both.

A fall night fly event was brought up and is now scheduled for October 1st, time still to be determined. The first event was so much fun the membership decided we needed another.

Ron Swift and Sandy have designed a Night Flight patch and showed it to the members, they will be completed soon and handed out to the members present at the event. Also Vince brought up the idea of adding a year trim ring to add for each year.

The club has some 10 year Gold leader patches still available to those who would like one. Ron reported that the AMA is working on a 15 year patch that we qualify for.

Ron filled out the registration paperwork for our Non Profit renewal and is has been returned. We are still a registered nonprofit organization.

We have been using the phrase "we are a work in progress" when it comes to our field for a couple of years, and while that is true, we have definitely come a long way. We still have a lot of areas to work on so it was decided to have a Field Recommendation committee. The members are: Mark, Chet, Jay, Bryan, Len and Brian Douma and Vaughan. The committee met at the field on Saturday, July 9th and came up with a plan that was shared, emailed to the members, and discussed at the meeting.

September 8, 9, 10th and 11th is the Scale Champ completion at the Wenatchee Red Apple Flyers. If you have never been, you should give

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it a try.

September 18th is another Floats and Boats event so get your water stuff ready.

NEW BUSINESS

We have been using the phrase “we are a work in progress” for a couple of years now and the results are showing. In large part(s) of Len and Brian Douma, Dart Sharp, Jay Bell and Mark Weeks. Let’s applaud the efforts of everyone involved and with special attention to the above.

Kenneth (Ken) Mowrey passed away on August 22, 2016. Ken was a Barnyard Buzzard member for many years and he will be missed. A card will be sent.

Jim Reynolds wife had a mishap and is healing. Jim hopes to be able to make the lake event. We all wish them well.

Aug 27th was a bragging rights fun day with multi rotors and gliders. Just a couple of things to learn and try to compete with. It was quite an experience. Ron Rueter breezed thru the course first round but everyone and even Ron on his second round was shut down and completed the course without a crash. Either hitting the foam obstacle poles or the ground effect throwing things off made this a really tough event. It seems what we learned was that 50 feet or above ground effects do not have the same effect as 3 to 5 feet does. Windy weather kept all but a couple from sailplane flying.

September 8, 9, 10th and 11th was the Scale Champ completion at the Wenatchee Red Apple Flyers, Ron Rueter and Chet made the trip. They reported that it was a good event and some really cool planes. Chet reported that he was surprised that there were as many ARFs involved in the event.

Night Flight event is October 1st. Start time will be around 6:00. If you have not attended this before you really need to come out and participate of just sit and watch. It really is a great event.

Have you been to the field lately? WOW, WOW, WOW!!! Since last meeting there’s been an amazing amount of work done! Len brought out his tractor and cut back the bank finishing Phase 1 of the project. He moved the dirt to the end of the north runway extending it while making another 6 to 7 feet of parking area. Len and Brian spent about 8 hours of hard labor on this area. He returned on the 9th removing the large rocks and grading the North end of the runway making it ready for seed.

September 10th, Dart Sharp, Steve Anderson,

Vince Bell, Jay Bell, Mark Weeks and Robin Maas readied the parking area along with the pits with underlayment. Dart made the 45 minute round trip to drop off load after load of gravel. He spent most of his day expertly laying down the gravel so not much in the way for raking was needed. All that manned the rakes and shovels really do thank him for his skills. There was 111.23 TONS of gravel laid. **Builders Sand and Gravel** really came through for us giving Dart discounts for materials and truck time.

AMAZING hard work, input and determination to keep this club top notch! THANK YOU ALL!! Chet is (almost) excited to see it rain and how the work holds up.

Harbor Freight had carports on sale and Chet picked up another (We now have two). We will place it in the coming months as needed.

Jay has purchased grating for the flight station if wet weather and the ground calls for them.

Self-correcting planes are not fool proof and can cause issues. New pilots need to be signed off before letting them loose on their own.

October Rebuilders contest is coming up at the next meeting; bring your rebuilt mistakes to the meeting along with the story of how it happened and what you did to repair it.

August was a very busy month, lots has happened with events work being accomplished and lots of flying, September looks to be the same, with the Lake event, field work, Night Flight (OK it officially is Oct 1st). Let’s enjoy the good weather while we have it.

Program

Ron Rueter shared videos of his trip to Alaska and the Arctic Circle and flying his Quad there. Really a good program, thanks Ron

A motion was made and passed to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm

.....Mark Weeks, Club Secretary





Safety Corner

All seems to be going well at the field, no serious injuries; no one has fallen into the creek and not returned. Everyone is behaving.

This is the time of year when I get serious about working on my planes or building a new one. The ones I fly most often are getting pretty shabby by this time of year and can use a little TLC.

This reminds me of the following, wear shoes while working on your plane. Might sound funny, but on a couple of occasions I have had the trusty X-ACTO knife roll off the table and attempt to impale my foot. One time it stuck into the floor between my big toe and next one,. Another time it stuck into the top of a pair of slippers I was wearing, so be careful. Must be the Murphy thing again, the point always seems to go where it can do the most damage. I mentioned this at a meeting and several of the members present have had a similar experience. I was looking though Dave Gee's safety column in Model Aviation and someone suggested you can get pen and pencil grip pads that are sold in drug stores to help people with arthritic hands hold onto their pens and pencils. They will also prevent an X-ACTO knife from rolling off the table. I have also seen other devices that are made for the very purpose of preventing round things rolling off a table.

This paragraph I took from Dave Gee's April

2007 column. I have no idea what he is talking about, but the concept sounds good.

"Keep your work area neat and orderly. In addition to being able to find what you are looking for when you need it, you lessen the chance of tripping over something and injuring yourself (or worse, damaging the airplane you just finished). Pick up after yourself and return tools where they belong after each time you use them. You will have a happier time in the shop and will work more efficiently in the long run."

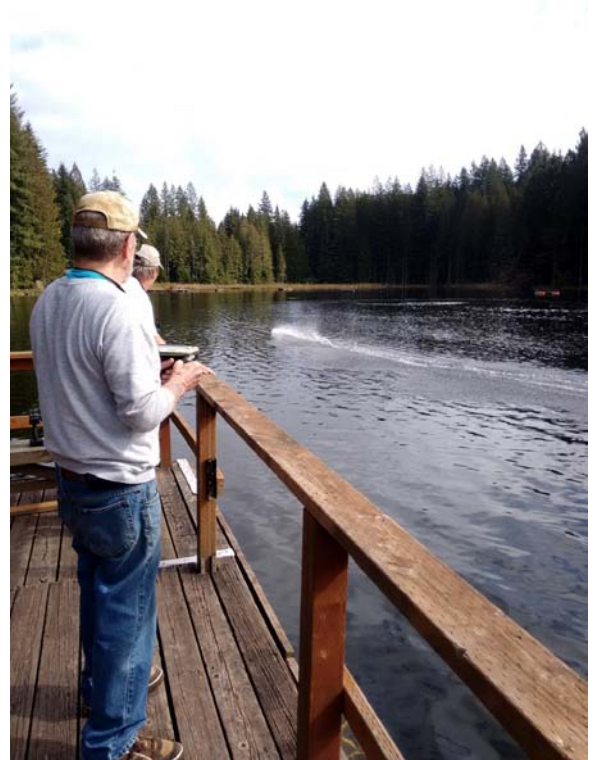
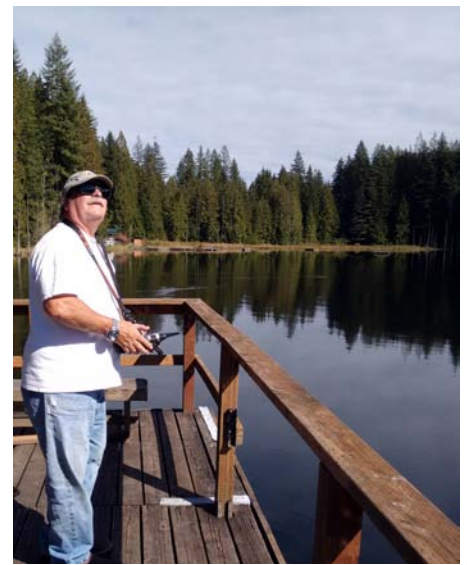
UNTIL NEXT TIME, BE SAFE BE COURTEOUS
Vince Bell, Safety Officer



Ron Rueter's presentation at our last club meeting.



Pit area just before the Night Flight Event!



Boats and Floats Event
September 25th

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. There is usually a \$10.00 pilot's fee or a donation can for all events. We will have food and beverages available for each of the flying events.

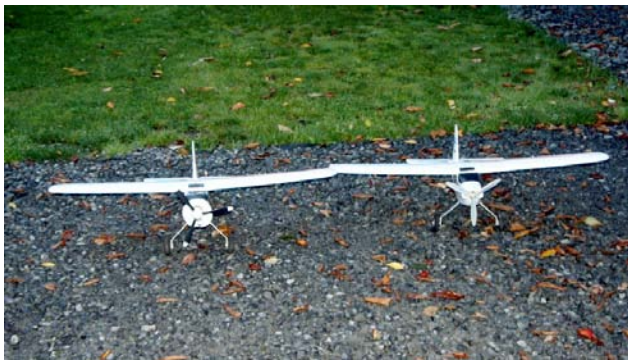
October 11 Rebuilders Competition Alfy's Pizza Starts at 6:30 PM

Dec 3 Annual Christmas Party Scout's Diner (Club Field) 3:00 PM

Jan 7, 2017 Annual Freeze-In Club Field Starts at 10:00 AM



Night Flight





Field Improvements Yea!!!





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PRIMARY INTERESTS/SKILLS:

BUILDING ELECTRONICS PAINTING CONTEST DIRECTOR INSTRUCTOR
 COVERING CONTEST JUDGE DESIGN/EXPERIMENTAL SCALE SPORT
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Month Born:

January February March April May June
 July August September October November December

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 Academy of Model Aeronautics (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, the members and officers of the Barnyard Buzzards Model Airplane Club, Inc. 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 the bodily injury, illness, or death, or for property damage, caused in whole or in part by my negligent act or omission.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Please mail check for \$90.00 and a photo copy of your current AMA membership to:

Ron Swift
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 Duvall, WA 98019 (425) 788-6045
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One of the club officers will contact you, once your application has been reviewed. It is recommended that you attend one of our club meetings and/or stop out at our club flying field so that you'll have a chance to meet some of the club members and allow them to meet you.

Buzzards Membership

With a grass runway measuring at least 417 feet long, we have a great runway. Our field is being improved every month and we have a plan to make it even better!

We have planned many exciting events for 2017 that include a Fun Fly, Night Flight, Water Fun and more!

Our dues for 2016 will be set at our October 11th meeting. Join now and get all of our 2016 & 2017 membership privileges! See this page for our membership application. Plus, our events are a lot of fun to participate in and to watch, too! There is usually food involved.



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 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 ***

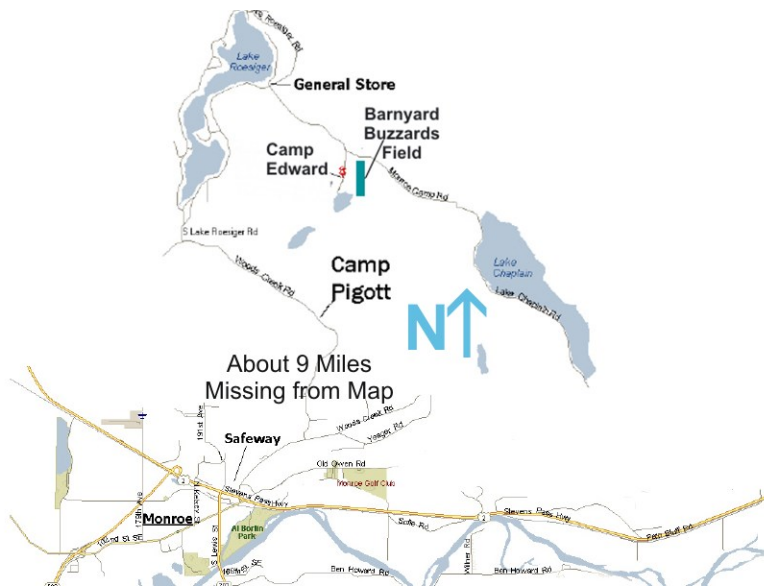
Yeager will rejoin Woods Creek Road at a 4-way intersection. Stay straight-ish, not a hard right, be careful as oncoming traffic does not stop. In a few miles you will pass the entrance to Camp Pigott. Keep going.

Turn right at the "T" intersection with Lake Roesiger Road. At the next "Y" intersection, stay right, onto South Lake Roesiger 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. Alfys Pizza (our monthly meeting place) is along RT2 in the Staples plaza.

Our club meetings are open to the public. We meet at 6:30 PM on the **2nd Tuesday** of each month at Alfys 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 P.M.



Upcoming Meetings

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

- October 11 Alfys Pizza
- November 8 Alfys Pizza
- December 13 Alfys Pizza
- January 10 Alfys Pizza
- February 14 Alfys Pizza
- March 14 Alfys Pizza
- April 11 Alfys Pizza

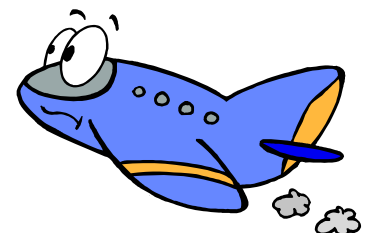
Barnyard Buzzards Pilot Training



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: **Rebuilder's Competition !**



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