



Buzzard Droppings



Gold Leader Club

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, November 10th, 6:30 PM** at Alfy's Pizza on RT 2 in Monroe ([See page 7 for a map](#)).

Program: **Night Flight**—Discussion, Prep & Stuff

President's Message — Chet Blake

Hey Buzzards!

It so hard to believe that it's November already. As always I hope that you had a chance to visit, fly and kibitz at the field or attend a meeting.

In July the membership motioned and voted to suspend meet-

ings at the field to better accommodate anyone who didn't want to drive that far. So ALL meetings are at Alfy's Pizza now. Food and beverages are available and even at a discount by just saying you're with us. Please attend a meeting, bring

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October 13th Meeting Minutes — Mark Weeks

The meeting was called to order by President Chet Blake at approximately 6:30 with 10 members and 1 guest, Ted Becker from the Eagles in attendance. Club Officers were introduced by the club President, Chet Blake:

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

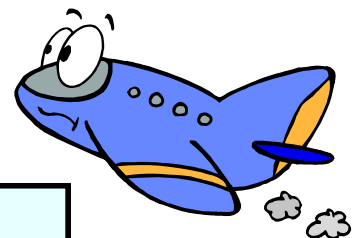
- **Newsletter Editor** – Ron Swift
- **Webmaster** – Ron Rueter (Currently in AZ)

Chet called for additions or corrections to the minutes as published on the web.

No additions or correction: The minutes were then approved.

Reports

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Club Officers and Contacts

President: Chet Blake (360) 863-2953

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Website: Ron Rueter (425) 210-3911



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a friend and grab some grub, gab a bite and be part of YOUR club's decisions and leadership.

Recapping latest news, we have offered the Arlington Eagles the use of our field while they look for and build their new home. They have prospects in mind and we wish them well. We are all too familiar with that pain. If you see someone you're not familiar with, introduce yourself and make a new friend and represent the club well.

We're starting a login practice with date, time and comment section for everyone to sign in for each outing at the field. With the FAA continually trying to control our hobby, at some point this might be a requirement to maintain compliance, plus it's good sense to build field use history.

Executive Board nominations again at this meeting. As always, ALL positions are open. Consider running for a position. Admittedly the pay isn't great but the rewards are plenty!

Finally, we are just a tad over 5 weeks away from our Second Annual Christmas Party at the Scout Lodge near our field. PLEASE bring friends and family to this pot luck. The lodge has capacity of well over 100. What a party that would be!! Mark you calendars Dec 12 @ 3:00 pm.



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VP –The Floats and Boats Event was a great success, both planes and boats were represented.

October meeting the Rebuilders contest will be judged. Planned events are December 12th will be the Christmas party held at the lodge. January 2nd will be the Freeze-In.

Secretary - The membership level at the present time is 31 plus 1 student. Member Robin Maas has joined the Buzzards.

Treasurer – Finances are in good shape, there is still money in the field improvement fund as well as money in reserve. \$610.00 is still allotted for field improvements per the budget.

Safety Officer – We're safe. Nothing new to report

Newsletter Editor – Hard copies of the newsletter are available; a number of copies have been sent to local hobby shops.

Field Manager – Jay reported on some of the projects that have been going on, fertilization of the field will need to be done before winter, as weather permits. The field has come a long way in such a short time. Thanks to all that have helped.

Webmaster – Items, stories, pictures are needed. If you come across something of interest to you it might be the same to others so share send to Ron R.

OLD BUSINESS

Charging station was discussed and the body was asked about its usage and feedback. Please remember to turn it [the power] off before you leave the field. Planned for later are to place a roof over the table and a 12v power supply. Ron S. said that John Rennert may have some metal roofing to use.

Jay and Mark spread some **tarps** in the upper barn to help divert water. They are helping some, but the roof is getting pretty bad.

Board met on 9-24-15 to adapt safety rules to align with the new field and lake usage, also to work out next year's budget.

Christmas Party will be December 12th. Remember to invite friends from other clubs. Mark to send out notices to the other clubs.

A tinsel string has been added to the North runway near the road to help us track the approach heights. Reminder that with logging trucks using the road, you still want to be higher than the tinsel.

Jay proposed a **garden cart or a large garden wagon** to assist in moving planes and equipment to the pit area. Watch out at your local yard sales for one of these items.

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NEW BUSINESS

Len, Mark and Jay spent some time **moving more dirt** to the pit area to fill in the low areas. It's a work in progress but it seems to be working. Thanks to Len for the use of his tractors.

The revised **Safety and Field rules** were presented to the members. Motion to accept and passed.

The Arlington Eagles are losing their current field and, as they were so gracious to us when we were working our field issues, we wanted to extend the same to them. Motion made and it was passed. Chet will attend their meeting 10/20 to propose an agreement.

The 2016 budget was presented and discussed. There was a motion to accept and it passed. Dues for 2016 are set at \$90.00

Chet reported on **Drones from the AMA report**. You can get that report on the AMA website.

Bryan to talk to scouts to get a **lake schedule**. Lake is open to use.

October opens up nominations to the executive committee for next year. Start thinking about serving on the board or, for your nominations.

Notations (so far):

- President – Chet Blake
- VP - Bryan Reightley
- Secretary – Mark Weeks
- Treasurer – Ron Swift, Paul Dibble
- Safety officer – Vince Bell

January 29th -31st will be the **NW Model Hobby Expo**, a motion was made to sponsor a club booth at \$40.00. Motion passed.

Rebuilders contest:

Ron presented his Fun Air 40. He totally rebuilt the wing and the plane has re-flown. Great Job, Ron.

Announcements:

It would be a good idea to have the GPS coordinates located at the field. Mark nominated his wife to make a sign with GPS coordinates and Elevation to be placed on frequency board.

Adjournment 7:55



Upcoming Events

December 12 3:00 P.M. - Annual Christmas Party
January 2, 2016 - Freeze-In
 Lots more events will be added for 2016





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-Aacto 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."

Required reading for Quad flyers; Dave Gee's safety column in the latest issue of Model Aviation, November 2015 from AMA.

UNTIL NEXT TIME, BE SAFE BE COURTEOUS

Vince Bell, Safety Officer



Box of Trouble!



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 2016 that include a Fun Fly, Night Flight, Water Fun and more!

Our dues for 2016 will remain at \$90.00. Join now and get the rest of 2015 and all of 2016 membership privileges! See Page 6 for our membership application. Plus, our events are a lot of fun to participate in and to watch, too! There is usually food involved.



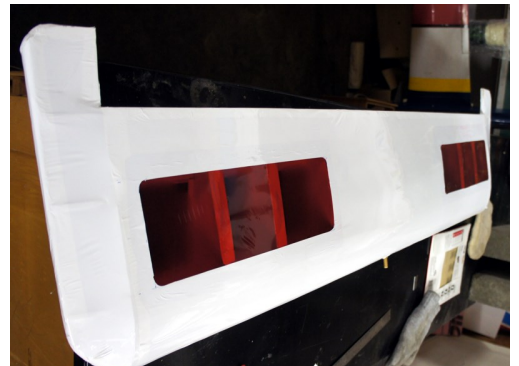
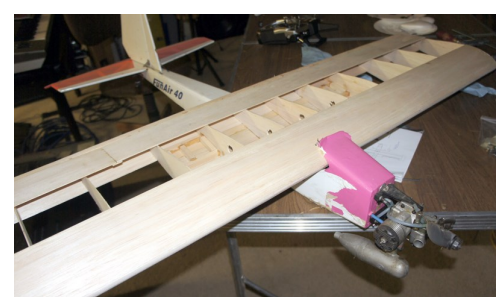
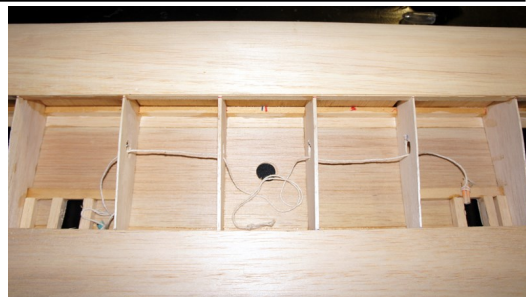
Rebuilder's Competition



Is rebuilding a crashed ARF worth the cost and time? Yes, if it was a great flying model or if there is pride involved somehow... Also, figuring out what caused the crash (assuming it wasn't dumb thumbs!) would be a good thing. Maybe not if the ARF is lots cheaper to replace. The materials used to fix the model were already in the shop, but **if** I had to buy all of the stuff:

Glue:	\$20.00	Wood:	\$20.00
Covering:	\$20.00	Patience:	Priceless!

In this case, the ARF cost \$104.00 years ago and is not available. SO, since we have a competition and this was a fun one to fly, it was decided to fix it. Building a new wing was much faster than fixing the wrecked one. So new ribs, spars, etc. were all cut and glued. The wing was covered and the original ailerons were glued in place. Two aileron servos were used instead on the single one, allowing for flaperons, too! The fuse and landing gear were also repaired. Cause of crash: Elevator servo failed!





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Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____
 State: _____ ZIP _____
 PHONE: _____ AMA # _____ YEARS MODELING: _____
 E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

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RADIO FREQUENCIES 2.4 GHz 27 MHz 5.8 GHz (video)
 72 MHz and channel # _____
 50 or 53 MHz (HAM) Frequencies _____

MODELING EXPERIENCE (INCLUDING PREVIOUS CLUB MEMBERSHIPS)

PRIMARY INTERESTS/SKILLS:

BUILDING ELECTRONICS PAINTING CONTEST DIRECTOR INSTRUCTOR
 COVERING CONTEST JUDGE DESIGN/EXPERIMENTAL SCALE SPORT
 PATTERN IMAC HELI QUAD/HEX

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
 16325 315th Ave NE
 Duvall, WA 98019 (425) 788-6045
ronswift@cablespeed.com

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.



25600 Monroe Camp Road, Snohomish, WA



Camp Edward is located near 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.

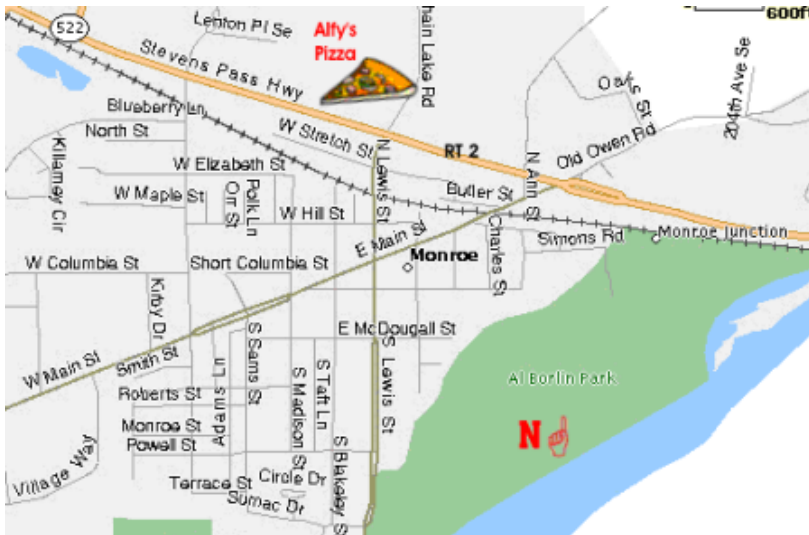
Turn right at the "T" intersection with Lake Roesiger Road. At the next "Y" intersection, stay right, onto South Lake Roesiger Road. Turn right at Monroe Camp Road, The Lake Roesinger Store will be on the left. In about a mile, the road will fork again, stay straight. After a short distance you will see the Red Barn and our gate. Our parking is past the gate on the East side of the barn.

Alfy's Pizza (our foul weather meeting place) is along RT2 in the plaza.

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.

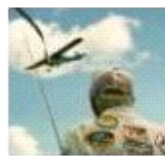
Then, a **Show & Tell** and **raffle** conclude the meeting, which ends at around 8:30 P.M.



Upcoming Meetings

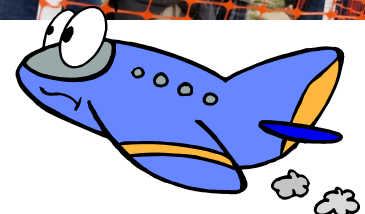
Meetings begin at 6:30 PM	
2nd Tuesday	
November 10	Alfy's Pizza
December 8	Alfy's Pizza
January 12	Alfy's Pizza
February 9	Alfy's Pizza
March 8	Alfy's Pizza
April 12	Alfy's Pizza
May 10	Club Field
June 14	Club Field
July 12	Club Field

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 for those new to our flying field.

Current Flight Instructor:
Ron Swift 425 788-6045





Next meeting, **Tuesday, November 10th 6:30 PM** at Alfy's Pizza on RT 2 in Monroe ([see page 9](#)).

Program: **Night Flight**—Discussion, Prep & Stuff



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