

Buzzard Drop

17 year AMA 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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Buzzards Model Airplane Club

AMA Chapter 2953 Monroe, Washington

Our November 2020 Club Meeting will be held Wednesday, November 11th, online through Zoom at 6:30 PM. This is in keeping with the guidance from the medical profession and scientists for gatherings of larger groups. We hope that we get to phase 4 soon and can have our usual club meetings.



President's Message — Vince Bell

Well, I certainly didn't expect our 2020 Club President to leave town and leave the presential tasks to me, but this year has been a very unordinary one for all of us!

We hope Don has a great time in Idaho, a place he reported to have a flying field within 5 miles of his new home. He led our club well

and provided many experiences for those who wanted to learn more about gliders, thermals and quality building.

Hopefully you have already heard that our next club meeting will be a virtual one, using **ZOOM** on Wednesday, November 11th at

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October Meeting Minutes

President Don Bailey called the meeting to order at 4:03pm President Bailey introduced the club officers:

President – Don Bailey Vice President - Vince Bell

Secretary - Mark Weeks

Treasurer – Vaughan Houger

Safety Officer - Dart Sharp

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Club Officers and Contacts

Vice President: Vince Bell (425) 788-2456 **President: Don Bailey (425) 350-9557**

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6:30 PM. Download the app on your computer, phone, tablet or whatever you have available and join in the fun. It may take a while to get your microphone, camera and the app to work, but it is a safer way to share info at this time. Contact Mark Weeks, if you have questions or need some assistance getting your system running and joining into the meeting.

We had to cancel the Christmas Party for 2020 due to the virus guidance from the technology folks and doctors – less than 10 people. We traditionally have more than 20 at the party, so we cancelled the event for this year and plan to have the next Christmas party in 2021!

Hey, our nominations for club officers are open at the next two club meetings. We will have to figure out how to vote for the club positions and the Special Service Award if we continue to use ZOOM for our meetings. Make sure to attend the club meeting on November 11th to participate in the election process discussion.

I hope Don and his fleet make it successfully to Idaho. He said that he plans to visit us sometime soon. He even mentioned he was willing to help with the glider event in 2021 (usually the 3rd weekend in May).

Hope to see you soon at the club field. There's plenty of guys flying throughout the year. With the end of Daylight Savings Time, it will be getting dark before 5:00 PM!

Vince Bell – VP for 2020



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20 Club Members were in attendance. with 2 guests and 2 new members Bruce and Ben Guenzler

Motion was made to accept minutes as posted - Passed

OFFICER REPORTS:

Vice President – Last month we had the Combat event and Boats and Floats, both events were well attended and great. Plagues were handed out to the Combat winners, Scott 1st, Dean 2nd, Ron and Tom tied for third. October's events are tonight, Rebuilders contest and Night Fly.

Secretary – We are currently at 59 members with 2 more joining this meeting.

Treasurer - Funds are in good shape with all bills paid.

Safety Officer – Nothing new to report. Everyone is doing a good job watching out for each other.

Field Manager – Port-a-Potties – Do not put anything but TP in them. - There were issues last cleanout.

Newsletter Editor - Ron is always look-

ing for new photos and articles for the newsletter.

Webmaster - Pics, news and comments are always wanted for the website. We have a classified section if you wish to sell anything.

OLD BUSINESS:

Gravel south of container and extend driveway, Dart believes that we will need 6 loads of rock, he also presented a price on both truck time and gravel. Motion made and seconded to go ahead with gravel delivery. Scheduled for the September 19th.

A new windsock is needed for the south end of the field. Mark will get new pipe and install.

There have been some questions regarding the need of a control line area to be located at the south end near the container. After discussion there is not enough interest at this time to proceed.

Special thanks to Mark Weeks for spending the entire day brush hogging the

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By Dart Sharp

Safety Corner 🐘

Modified from a Vince Bell's Safety 1/2015 article. It is approaching the winter when we wear heavier clothes and for the most part, loose fitting coats with bulky sleeves. Be careful around the spinning propeller. Most of the time all that happens is an embarrassing hole in the coat, but it can be much worse. If you are that close to the prop, you had better re-think how you are doing thinas.

I know that I have hit on this subject before, not that I'm picking on the electric guys, (well maybe a little). When you are ready to connect the battery and arm the system, make sure your plane is secure, and you are following all the Cautions, Dangers and other warnings that the manufacturer has detailed in the operators manual that came with the ESC. Most ESCs vendors say to turn on the Transmitter be-

fore connecting the LIPO. The (ESC) thing will beep a couple times, when you next advance the throttle the motor will start. Some transmitters have a Throttle Cut to prevent motor rotation until a switch is put into position. Remember you can inadvertently move the throttle lever by other means, like the baggy coat sleeve. The important things to remember: make sure the plane is secured, the prop

is clear, and no one is in the plane of the prop rotation. Be careful of buddy box use and its armed throttle. Stay safe and fly often! Don't make me say this to you, "%^&)!" Dart



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open field area beyond the runway. He did point out that it would not be possible without Ranger Dave and the use of the Brush-Hog. Thanks to all.

October's meeting does not look good for Alfys Pizza, so a motion was made to have the meeting on October 17th at 4:00 pm. This is the same day as the Night Fly so turnout should be good. Motion was passed.

Steve Higgins and Bryan have been talking about adding lights and a solar charger to the container. A motion was made to spend no more than \$500.00. Motion passed.

The Chalk center line has been added to the field. Thanks Chet and Byran.

The need for a work party was brought up. It is scheduled for September 19th to coincide with the gravel delivery. Mark will send out a e-mail.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chet brought up the lighting planned for the container. Nothing has been done as of yet. Still on the task list to get done.

Steve Anderson put up a new windsock at the south end of the runway.

With the weather starting to turn colder and darker earlier and with a few windy days already it's time to take down the awnings, maybe next Saturday? Mentioned that there was no reason they could not come down after the meeting. [They were!]

Crawler track is coming along well. If there is anything that you wish to add, run your ideas by a board member but there should be no problem getting it approved.

There was a motion to set 2021 dues using the same number as in the past year. Motion was voted on and passed. Dues structure will stay the same as in 2020.

Don said his official goodbye as he is moving to Idaho at the end of the month. Thanks Don for all you have done for the club!

With COVID 19 still hanging around and wanting to keep our social

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distancing a motion was made to cancel the 2020 Christmas party. Motion passed. Hopefully next year will be better.

Nomination for 2021 Club Officers

President: Mark Weeks VP: Bryan Reightly

Safety Officer: Chet Blake

Secretary: Ron Swift Treasurer: Dart Sharp

Special Service award: Mark

Weeks - Jim Stewart - Steve Ander-

son

PROGRAM:

Rebuilders competition. Dean Apel shared his 1940's Old Buzzard, Jim Stewart shared his Watco Bi-Plane. Both entries were very well constructed and it was very hard to pick a winner. Jim Stewart ended up taking 1st place and Dean taking 2nd place.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mark shared that Bryan is going into the hospital for a tune up and we wish him a quick recovery.

ADJOURNMENT:

5:20 PM





Dean (left) and Steve (right) present their Rebuilder's Competition Models. Each has\ been flown since the rebuild task!



Lookin' up at the club meeting. Could be the last this year due to the Daylight Saving Time and the sun's position.



Upcoming Events

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Christmas Party	Cancelled for 2020 due to Covid- 19 constraints	We will miss the comradery , food and the "White Elephant" gift exchange and hope 2021 bring back this event!
Freeze-In	January 2, 2021 10:00 AM Club Field	We'll have our heaters out and lots of flying regardless of the temperature. We're hoping for a sunny, low wind day. Come check this one out



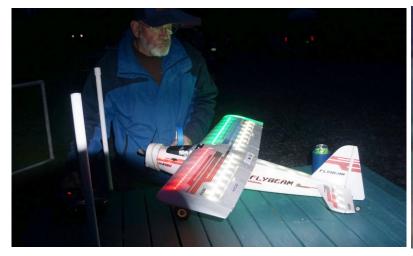
Night Fly 2020 (take 2)















It got dark pretty quickly following the club meeting and we had lots of flights before we started to leave for the night. We had heaters and it wasn't as cold as in previous years. What fun!





Pilots and Planes











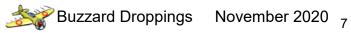








Please send in your model, flying and interesting photos to Ron Swift [ronswift@cablespeed.com] if you would like have it published in future issues of our club newsletter and/or website!



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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...



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 or the instructors. We have a safety checklist available.

Current Flight Instructors:

Chet Blake (360) 863-2953 Paul Dibble (425) 359-1808 (425) 788-6045 Ron Swift



Club Meeting

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.

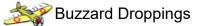
We are looking forward to the future where normal club meetings and flying will occur!

Upcoming Meetings

Meetings begin at 6:30 PM 2nd Wednesday at our club field until the restaurants are reopened...

November 11 6:30 PM **ZOOM Meeting You can also** use a cell or telephone December 9 TBD January 13, 2021 **TBD**





Next meeting: November 11th 6:30 PM ZOOM Meeting!

Program: ZOOM Experience and info Updates



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