



Buzzard Droppings



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 **Wednesday, December 11th, 6:30 PM** at Alf's Pizza on RT 2 in Monroe ([See page 7 for a map.](#))
Program: Elections & Special Service Award Voting



Our XMAS Party Saturday, December 7th 3PM Family, Guests, Relatives all welcome to join in the fun!

President's Message — Mark Weeks

Hey Buzzards,

This club has been around for some 35 years and the founding members set a path for the rest of us to follow. They set up a charter to guide us by, but more than that, they showed us how to have fun and be a club that others want to emulate. There are few other clubs

that balance events with open flying time like we do. Events that are fun to participate in, where both seasoned and new flyers can enter and do well.

I witnessed the leadership from Brian and Chet who held the Presi-

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November 13th Meeting Minutes

President Mark Weeks called the meeting to order at 6:30ish PM
President Weeks introduced the club officers:

- President – Mark Weeks
 - Vice President – Vince Bell
 - Secretary – Chet Blake
 - Treasurer – Vaughan Houser
 - Safety Officer – Don Bailey
- 16 Club Members were in attendance – 3 Guests-Rich Cook, Rick Weber and Doug Hoff were in at-

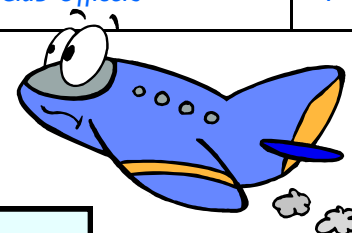
tendance.

Motion to accept minutes as posted. There was discussion about when the Club formed. Chet reported in the minutes that someone at the meeting said 1990. Doug Hoff said he had an email stating 1984. Corrected, 2nd and passed.

OFFICER REPORTS

Vice President – Vince reported

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Club Officers and Contacts

President: Mark Weeks (425) 328-5705

Vice President: Vince Bell (425) 788-2456

Secretary: Chet Blake (360) 863-2953

Treasurer: Vaughan Houser (360) 691-2800

Safety Officer: Don Bailey (425) 350-9557

Webmaster: Mark Weeks (425) 328-5705

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dential office before I was elected and did my best to follow their lead. The club has grown so much since I joined when we were located off Hwy 2. We have grown due to our club members who put together many quality programs, and maintained a very safe, high class flying field. I can't believe my third term is almost finished as club President; time has sure flown by quickly.

Our club has evolved as the hobby has evolved and my wish for our future is that we continue in the same manner. We added a car track to play on when the wind or weather won't allow us to fly. Some of us are dabbling into crawlers and we will see where that leads. Quads, FPV, Heli's and Gliders are a welcomed and everyday occurrence at the field. We have enough space to provide for all. Planning will be the future.

In talking to some of the new members and visitors, they have all commented on what a GREAT place we have. I can not thank each and everyone for all you

have done to make my past three years so easy. It will be my commitment to help the new leadership in any way that I can. It has been an honor to serve you as President. I'd like to thank you all for the support and for your efforts over the past 3 years.

I hope you all take some time to attend the **Christmas Party on December 7th**. This year we again get the use of **Camp Pigott Lodge**.

Don't forget the **2020 annual Freeze-In on Saturday, January 4th** let's hope for some cold weather.

Your outgoing President,
Mark



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that we held the Night Fly and Annual Charity Auction since last report. Rebuilder's Contest is tonight and Christmas Party is Saturday, December 7 – 3:00 pm at Camp Pigott Lodge.

Secretary – Chet reported with the latest application and dues from George Anderson we now have 46 combined members (includes Full, Family and Jr. members).

Treasurer – Vaughan reported that finances are in good shape.

Safety Officer – Don said nothing new to report. All seems to be going well on the Safety front.

Field Manager – Bryan said that both Jay and he have been really tied up with their prospective life issues and not much happening lately. Jay wants to get the mower to his house for winter maintenance.

Newsletter Editor – always looking for news and event info for the newsletter.

Webmaster – Pics, news and comments are always wanted for the website.

OLD BUSINESS

Mark asked for input as to the events this year. All good, too many too few? Please let a Board member know your thoughts.

One comment on events came up. Don't change them. If the day cannot be met for weather or whatever reason, cancel it don't reschedule the date. This will come up for membership ideas and

possibly vote.

October opens up nominations for the Executive Board positions. Nominations will be open until the actual vote at the December meeting.

Nominations to date...

President – Don Bailey

Vice President – Vince Bell

Secretary – Marl Weeks

Treasurer – Vaughan Houger

Safety Officer – Dart Sharp

Special Service Award – Jim Stewart, Bryan Reightley, Steve Anderson

Chet asked about the First Aid kit that is supposed to be mounted. Mark will get it from Jay or have it mounted. It needs to be at immediate access in case of a severe injury.

The subject of Builder's Contest entries came up and the validity of entering ARFs. A Motion was made to disallow ARFs from the Builder's Contest. Seconded and passed.

Dart asked about the services to the Porta Pot-ties. He feels the frequency isn't enough. Mark will look into getting them serviced quarterly.

NEW BUSINESS

Mark asked Vaughan to review the 2020 budget. Dues will remain at \$90. Motion was made to accept the new budget, 2nd and passed.

Discussion came up about including ARFs in the

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Builder's Contest. Conclusion was that ARFs should be allowed but modifications from original build has to be made to allow entry.

Meeting Night Change. After reviewing with Alf's Manager as to what they could work with and be the most consistent is Wednesday nights. Motion was made, 2nd and passed to move the meeting to the 2nd Wednesday of the month.

2nd round of Executive Board nominees are...

Pres. - Don Bailey, V. Pres - Vince Bell, Ron Swift, Secretary - Mark Weeks, Treasurer - Vaughan Houger, Safety Officer - Dart Sharp, Special Service Award - Jim Stewart, Bryan Reightley, Steve Anderson. The final round of nominations and membership voting will be at the December 11 meeting.

Mark brought up existing need for work parties. Cutting down the large cherry tree; removing awning covers for winter (completed Saturday 11/23); steps on driver's stand at car track.

Motion was made, 2nd and passed to get gift cards for the Camp rangers, Dave and Don.

Discussion about charity gift to the Sky Valley Food Bank brought much debate. A motion was made to give the total proceeds (\$271) from the Charity Auction to the food bank, 2nd and narrowly passed. Mark will get a check from Vaughan and present to the food bank.

SHOW AND TELL

Don brought his newly built Quaker Flash. It was scaled down from an 80" plan so his Thunder Tiger

GP 07 can power it. It is a 3 channel set up, covered with Doculam film and Light Span.

PROGRAM

Rebuilder's Contest. Ward brought his large scale Space Walker and showed how to paint the checkered pattern on the pre painted tail and ailerons using precision cut 1" squares of clear shelf covering and placing on the area corner point to point, then paint over them with opposite color, allow to tack up and remove the squares. Beautiful and tedious job.

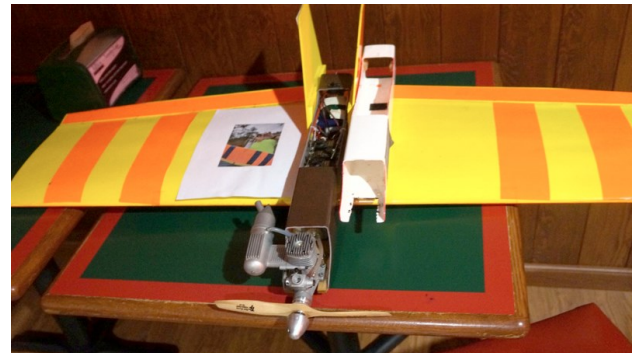
Mark brought his Gremlin that suffered a broken fuselage at the motor mount. He secured the necessary 2 1/2" heavy wall down spout material, built a motor mount and remounted the engine. He noticed the engine wouldn't turn over completely. He found that in the crash, a connecting rod had broken which he had to repair.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT 8:06 pm.

Respectfully
Submitted by Chet
Blake BBMAC
Secretary



Don't forget ... Our club meetings have been changed to the 2nd Wednesday of each month at Alf's Pizza in Monroe.



Rebuilder's Competition



Weekday Flying at the Buzzards Field



Upcoming Events

Christmas Party	December 7	Annual Christmas Party - Camp Pigott Lodge 3 PM. \$15.00 or less gift exchange (male/female) Pot Luck!
Freeze-In	January 4, 2020	Annual Freeze-In - A Challenge to Stay Warm and Fly. We will have the burn barrels, propane heaters and long modelling tales fueled and ready! 10:00 AM



Safety Corner



Don Bailey

“Helping the New Guy”

Once in awhile a new guy comes along in this hobby, with no prior flight experience, and in dire need of some flight training to get him started. It takes a special sort of modeler to volunteer for the responsibility of training a neophyte pilot. Not everyone is up for the job, whether it be for lack of seasoned experience, lack of free time out at the field, or lack of patience! I've had my turn at training new pilots, and I was really surprised at the level of dedication and determination it can require. Sometimes you wonder who is being challenged more--- the student, or the instructor!

But all of us understand that to let a new guy go off and learn with no assistance can be imprudent, if not downright dangerous! If you decide you are up for the job of filling the role of flight instructor for a beginner in the hobby, here are some things to consider:

Your first task is to figure out how much your student knows. Hand them the transmitter and ask them to show you how to make the airplane climb. If they hold the tranny up to their face and push the right stick “up” (forward), you've got some basics to cover. (You'd be amazed how many people think the stick goes “up” to make the model go up.) Before any flying is done, the student needs to practice the basics of the control functions on the ground, where it is safe to make mistakes. Now is a good time to teach them about apparent control reversal when the model is flying toward the pilot. Guys who have some R/C car experience will understand this right away.

Pick an appropriate airplane for training. Warbirds are right out. Gliders are always a good choice, but any typical high-wing trainer airplane should do the job for you. If the student doesn't have a good plane for learning, discuss this essential item with him, or loan him one of yours.

Don't belabor the complex physics of flight. Aero principles will come with time, and are not essential for learning the basics of operating an airplane. Save the discussions about adverse yaw and pitch vs. airspeed for the more advanced lessons later on.

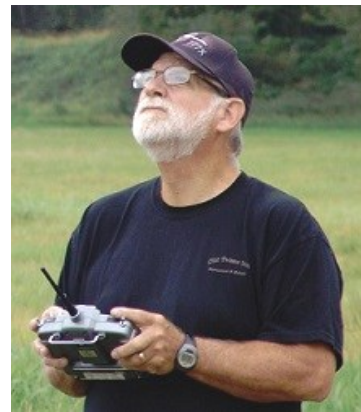
You will do the first take-offs and landings. The idea is to give the student some self-confidence by allowing them to learn to fly straight and level, and progress to gentle turns on their first day out.

Trainer cords are a great way to go, but it shouldn't give you license to allow the student to get into risky, scary situations with his new plane.

Try not to talk too much. This can lead to confusion and information overload. Allow the student to fly in silence as much as possible, while they internalize what is going on with their model. Use a gentle voice, and suggest more aileron rather than barking it out, so that they can develop a smooth touch and a confident reaction without getting alarmed or tense.

Finally, it is up to you to know how far to advance your student with each session. A beginner may not be ready yet for that first landing, but often they will go through with it anyway, based on your recommendation. Leave your ego at home—this is about the new guy's abilities, not yours. Be kind, with no judgments or expectations, so that their trust in you will be implicit. Let them show signs of confidence first, before attempting any new challenge. Remember that no two people are alike. Some guys can learn to fly in one day, and others spend years learning to fly without ever really mastering it like a pro.

The reward of all of this is to see your student evolve to the point where one day he is helping some other new guy, and your satisfaction will be in the paying forward of a selfless favor.



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



Pilot Wings



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION **2020**



BARNYARD BUZZARDS MODEL AIRPLANE CLUB (BBMAC)

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PHONE: _____ ZIP _____
AMA # _____ YEARS MODELING: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

RADIO FREQUENCIES 2.4 GHz 27 MHz 5.8 GHz
(72 MHz CHANNELS USED: _____)

(50 MHz Frequencies: _____)

MODELING EXPERIENCE (INCLUDING PREVIOUS CLUB MEMBERSHIPS)

PRIMARY INTERESTS/SKILLS:

- BUILDING
- COVERING
- PAINTING
- INSTRUCTOR
- PATTERN
- SCALE
- SPORT
- ELECTRONICS
- CONTEST JUDGE
- CONTEST DIRECTOR
- DESIGN/EXPERIMENTAL
- Helicopters:
- Gliders
- Drones/Quads/FPV

Please mail check and a photo copy of your current AMA membership to:
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 Lake Stevens, WA 98258
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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: _____

SPONSOR: _____ AMA CARD VERIFIED BY: _____

CLUB SECRETARY: _____
DATE: _____



25600 Monroe Camp Road, Snohomish, WA

Barnyard Buzzard's Club Meeting

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.**

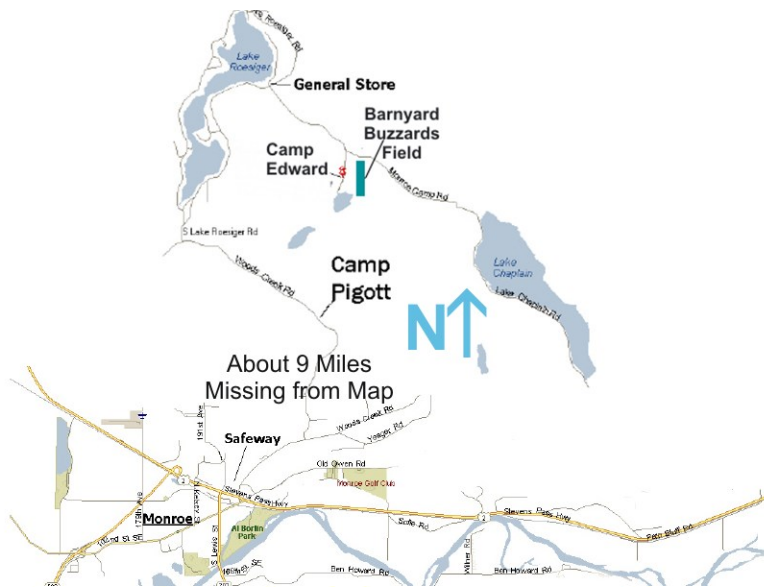
Yeager will rejoin Woods Creek Road at a 4-way intersection. Stay straight-ish, not a hard right, **be careful as oncoming traffic does not stop.** In a few miles you will pass the entrance to Camp Pigott. Keep going. Turn right at the "T" intersection at Lake Roesiger Road. At the next "Y" intersection,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

Our club meetings are open to the public. We meet at 6:30 PM on the **2nd Wednesday** 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 8:00 PM.



Upcoming Meetings

Meetings begin at 6:30 PM
2nd Wednesday

Dec	11	Alfys Pizza
Jan	8	Alfy's Pizza
Feb	12	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





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at Alfy's Pizza on RT 2 in Monroe

Program: **Elections & Special Service Award Voting**



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