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2013 Membership Cards

For 2013, please remember to get your AMA insurance renewed before you renew your MMM membership. In order to have a 2013 MMM card issued, you need to provide a copy of your 2013 AMA card and driver's license and an [updated application](#). The application is on line at <http://www.murocmodelmasters.org/>. Click on "About Our Club". Club applications may be mailed to **Muroc Model Masters, Post Office Box 2194, Rosamond, CA 93560-2194**. Checks can be made payable to Muroc Model Masters. Membership dues are still just \$25 for the whole year. If applying in person, please see Charlie Threewit, Treasurer, at the field or meetings.



Club Corner

Has Flying Gotten Boring for You?

by Jim Wallen (sjwallen@tde.com)

I have always advertised our sport/hobby as a good place to build and fly in a wholesome, safe environment. While I stand by my statement, I believe it is important to put it in the proper perspective.

Perhaps friends and family are higher on the importance scale than doing a perfect rolling circle or inverted spin. Leading a balanced life while making positive contributions to our society should be placed near the top of the importance scale as well. Every individual has different categories that add value and satisfaction to his or her life.

Model aviation can be the glue that helps us add value to those things we hold dear and are of the highest importance. Taking a grandchild to the flying field or club meeting might just spark an interest in the child that adds an element of bonding between the youth and grandparent.

It doesn't have to be a child. It could be a coworker or neighbor who could benefit from the new glue in the friendship. In my case, when I go to a club meeting or to a flying field, I spend a great deal of time just chatting with folks. The conversations do not have to be centered on model aviation. They could be directed to social issues as well as domestic or foreign subjects. If one keeps the conversations constructive, it can be a great relationship builder.

Model aviation, in addition to flying and building, can be the mechanism for bringing folks together and creating good relationships. Isn't it lucky for us to have a hobby like ours that gives us the power to better our lives!

Becoming a Leader Member

by Rusty Kennedy (amalprogram@gmail.com)

AMA is updating duties and responsibilities for district vice presidents (VPs), associate vice presidents (AVPs), and Leader Members. One of the goals is to have district leadership working together to improve communications to provide better service to AMA clubs and members. It is important that each club identify a member who would be an active LM working to help their club become knowledgeable about what AMA has to offer.

Club officers should try to identify a member who regularly attends club meetings and events and relates well with other club members. He or she will take on the responsibility of keeping the club members current on AMA news and programs, and pass on information from district leadership. He or she becomes the local "AMA information guy." It's not difficult because everything needed is online or a phone call away. If you know of such a member, have him or her contact me at amalprogram@gmail.com, or (757) 812-2812.

Contact your VP and/or AVP. Tell him or her who you are and that you are willing to assist him at the local club level. Leader Members have the opportunity right now to help AMA help clubs become well informed of all club and member benefits.

I'm available anytime to help Leader Members understand what they can do for their club.

Propwash

FEBRUARY, 2013

The following is from the RC Blog of [xplaneguy](#) (Tony Accurso).

Windrider Boeing 777 PNP

New Product / Posted by [xplaneguy](#)

This is the first PNP offering from Windrider and its impressive! The Boeing 777 is a stunning foamy example of the Boeing 777. It comes with Air France marking but you can order several different variants offered by Windrider or contact Callie Graphics for custom marking. I went with the Continental Airlines markings from Windrider. I'm still finishing up the markings and adding flaps for slower landing speed. Check out the link below for more info on the great RC Airliner from Ming Lou of Windrider.

Windrider Boeing 777 thread:

<http://www.rcgroups.com/forums/showthread.php?t=1689223>

Best,
Tony
Attached Thumbnails



RC Pilot Evelyn holding the Windrider Boeing 777 PNP



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Windrider Boeing 777 PNP



Wing Tote Solution

If you use a wing bag to store wings, and your wing tube pocket is deeper than the length of the wingtube, make a spacer out of a block of styrofoam, and tuck it into the wingtube pouch. The spacer will keep your wingtube from falling deep inside the pouch. Now you don't have to shake it out of the wing bag.

Ernie Lee

Window Blind Alignment

Window blinds can make a great wing alignment reference station. When building an airplane, set up your fuselage on the wing, with the wings parallel to the slats on the window blinds. Using the window blind slats above, you can eyeball if your stabilizer is parallel, or if you need to do some additional fitting.

Ernie Lee

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MMM Meeting Minutes

11 February 2013

The January general membership meeting of Muroc Model Masters (MMM) was called to order by our club President, Tony Accurso at 6:32 P.M. the meeting was held at the Fox Field Terminal lobby in Lancaster, Ca. We had ten members in attendance.

The minutes from the January Meeting were read by Tony Accurso. John Sturgeon moved they be approved as read and it was seconded by Evelyn Accurso.

Treasurers Report:

Treasurers Report was given by our Treasurer, Ken Zakar. Don Kissack moved the report be approved as read and it was seconded by George Becker.

Old Business:

Our VP George Becker is going to contact Edwards AFB Security to see if he has base access with his Coast Guard Volunteer ID. If not, (M)Sgt Antwain Mallory has volunteered to fill the position, if needed.

Per the club MMM By-Laws, the second meeting grace period has expired and pilots are now required to have a current 2013 MMM membership card and valid AMA Insurance to continue to fly at the club field. Hope to see more membership renewals and new members out at the field this year. President Tony Accurso has been in direct contact with Rica Lynn from Base Land Management concerning a future land lease agreement for MMM. Tony did receive documentation from Rica that confirms MMM in operating under a land lease extension and has been for the past three years. He is working to secure a new five year land lease and now waiting for the word from Frequency Management on how to proceed.

New Business:

All members in attendance have received their 2013 membership cards with the exception of one member and that was being worked. A Fun Fly Committee was proposed by Tony to help organize future club gatherings. Please get with any board member if you'd like to take part. A future

Board of Director's meeting will take place in March with a firm date TBD. A future MMM 30th Anniversary Event was discussed and still in the planning stages. If you have ideas on what the club can do or you'd like to help organizing the event, please get with any member of the board members. Our Treasurer Ken Zakar has been working to secure a new potential meeting place at Rosamond Elementary School. President Tony Accurso proposed organizing an Indoor Flying Event at Tropico Middle School Gym. Ken Zakar will coordinate with school administration. More to come.....

In attendance were: Tony Accurso, George Becker, John Sturgeon, Ken Zakar, Evelyn Accurso, Phil Holmes, Carey Hughson, Don Kissack, Ron Scaggs and Bob Smith.

Ron Scaggs moved the meeting close at 7:23pm and it was seconded by Bob Smith.

Phil Holmes brought a unique and very cool scratch built Daimler Benz DB Jäger which features a contra rotating propeller system mounted behind the cockpit. John Sturgeon brought a Rotor Concepts Helicopter which he purchased for \$99 at the AMA Expo. The heli features an all metal flybarless rotor head gyro stabilization and external lights. A cool heli at a great price! Tony Accurso brought the Starmax F-86 from Hobby King which has a 70mm fan, electric retracts and flies on a 4S 3300mAh battery. He also brought the new Airfield T-34 Mentor from Nitroplanes which flies on a 2S 1000mAh battery and a built up Mini Stik ARF which he picked up at the AMA Expo for \$40

We would like to thank all of those members who participated in our meeting this month. These minutes were compiled by Volunteer Substitute Secretary, Evelyn Accurso on 12 February 2013

Tower Hobbies Tech Tips

Easy Cleaning

Put some cotton swabs in your flight box or car box. Before taking the glow plug out, use the cotton swab to clean the area around the glow plug so no dirt or trash will fall into the opening. Then discard the cotton swab into the trash.