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2014 Membership Cards

For 2014, please remember to get your AMA insurance renewed before you renew your MMM membership. In order to have a 2014 MMM card issued, you need to provide a copy of your 2014 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 Ken Zakar, Treasurer, at the field or meetings.

A Very Important MUST Attend Meeting Tuesday, July 8, 2014!

From the Vice President

MMM Members,

Due to upcoming R-2515 Airspace requirements, MMM members need to attend the next club meeting on 8 Jul 2014 to receive the mandatory R-2515 Airspace briefing. If you're not present to receive the briefing, you cannot fly at the MMM Field until this is accomplished, by direction of the R-2515 Airspace Manager. MMM members will be able to fly via 72 MHz transmitters only at this point. The 2.4 GHz issue is still being worked out with the base.

All the best,
 Tony Accurso

MEETING PLACE AND TIME

Place:

**Rosamond Elementary School
 Room 26**

Time:

Second Tuesday @ 1830 (6:30pm)

Next Meeting: July 8, 2014

TOWER HOBBIES

TECHNICAL TIPS

Get Off the Ground

For many beginner heli pilots, crashes occur in the first few seconds after take-off. For a successful take-off, you may have to get off the ground a few feet to be out of ground effect; this will provide a more stable hover and give you more control of your heli.

TOWER HOBBIES

HELPFUL HINTS

Receiver Removal Tool

When trying to remove a receiver that is mounted with servo tape, use a paint can opener. There is a curved shoe that will lift the receiver and a loop handle to lift with. This works really good for removing a receiver from a waterproof receiver box without deforming box sides by using a screwdriver to pry up with.

Jerry Fakehany

FAA Model Aircraft Rule

The Academy of Model Aeronautics has issued an action alert to its membership, partnering organizations, and aeromodeling media requesting immediate response to FAA's interpretation of the Special Rule for Model Aircraft, released June 23. The purpose of the action alert is to notify the FAA through public comment that this rule significantly impacts the entire aeromodeling community and that this community is resolute and committed to protecting the hobby.

On Tuesday, June 24th AMA issued a member alert expressing concern over some provisions in the FAA's interpretation of the [Special Rule for Model Aircraft](#) established by Congress in the FAA modernization and Reform Act of 2012. In that alert, we let members know that we would be following up with today's alert that explains AMA's concerns in greater detail.

We need you to take action now and respond by July 25, 2014 to the FAA Interpretation of the Special Rule for Model Aircraft that was released June 23, 2014. The Academy has reviewed the rule and is extremely disappointed and troubled by the approach the FAA has chosen to take in regards to this issue.

To help you respond to the FAA, we have outlined AMA's major concerns in the bullets below. A more in-depth explanation of our concerns can be found at [AMA's Concerns](#)

- Throughout the rule the FAA takes great latitude in determining Congress' intentions and in placing tightly worded restrictions through its "plain-language" interpretation of the text.
- The FAA uses the plain language doctrine to create a regulatory prohibition of the use of a specific type of technology.
- FAA's overreaching interpretation of the language in the Public Law is evident in the rule's interpretation of the requirement that model aircraft be "flown strictly for hobby or recreational use."
- Although the FAA acknowledges that manned aviation flights that are incidental to a business are not considered commercial under the regulations, the rule states that model aircraft flights flown incidental to a business are not hobby or recreation related.
- The rule overlooks the law's clear intention to

encompass the supporting aeromodeling industry under the provision of the Special Rule, "aircraft being developed as a model aircraft." The rule's strict interpretation of hobby versus business puts in question the activities of the principals and employees of the billion dollar industry that supplies and supports the hobby.

- The Public Law states that when model aircraft are, "flown within 5 miles of an airport, the operator of the aircraft (must) provide(s) the airport operator and the airport air traffic control tower (when an air traffic facility is located at the airport) with prior notice of the operation. However the rule indicates that approval of the airport operator is required. Although it is understood that making notification to the airport and/or ATC will open a dialog as to whether the planned activity is safe to proceed, there is no intent in the law that this be a request for permission on the part of the model aircraft pilot.
- The Interpretive Rule establishes new restrictions and prohibitions to which model aircraft have never been subject. This is counter to the Public Law which reads, "The Federal Aviation Administration may not promulgate any rule or regulation regarding a model aircraft or an aircraft being developed as a model aircraft..." if established criteria are met.
- The Interpretive Rule attempts to negate the entire Public Law by stating, "Other rules in part 91, or other parts of the regulations, may apply to model aircraft operations, depending on the particular circumstances of the operation. This in and of itself makes model aircraft enthusiasts accountable to the entire litany of regulations found in Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations, something that was never intended by Congress and until now never required by the FAA.

How to Respond to the FAA.

All AMA members, family and friends need to take action now to let the FAA know that this rule significantly impacts the entire aeromodeling community and that this community is resolute and committed to protecting the hobby.

There are four methods to submit a comment. Emailing your comment is the fastest and most convenient method. All comments must include the docket number FAA-2014-0396. [Tips for submitting your comments.](#)

Email: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for sending your comments electronically. →

MMM Meeting Minutes 10 June 2014

The club president Antwain Mallory opened the general membership meeting at 6:32 P.M. The meeting was held at Rosamond Elementary School room 26.

May's minutes were waived by Ken Zakar and seconded by Tony Accurso. Ken Zakar presented the Treasures' Report – Charlie Threewit moved they be accepted as presented and it was seconded by John Sturgeon.

OLD BUSINESS:

Our club president moved to a very important situation facing the club, the letter of agreement (LOA). This is the agreement between the base and MMM for use of the dry lake bed for RC flight operations. More to come on the LOA and signing of the LOA.

NEW BUSINESS:

We had some guest at the meeting James Stockdale and Doug Killebrew, from Pete Knight High School in Palmdale. They came to the meeting after seeing us at the Fox Fields first air show. Knight High school is participating in a competition in Australia in which they have to aerial drop a candy bar onto a target. James and Doug came to the meeting asking for help and ideas as to how this could be done and what type of aircraft should be used. The club has volunteered to help out in any way it can.

As always we would like our members to send in pictures of their airplanes or new projects in work. The pictures will be showcased on our clubs website.

John Sturgeon motioned the meeting closed at 7:42 pm and Ken Zakar seconded the motion.

Club Members in attendance: Tony Accurso, Evelyn Accurso, Ken Zakar, John Sturgeon, Patrick Farr, Robert and Sophia Marraccino, James Stockdale, Doug Killebrew, Jerry Rice, Antwain Mallory and David Watson.

These minutes compiled by David Watson on 6th July, 2014. →

Creative Puns

Temple Aero Modelers Radio Control Aircraft Club, Temple TX

- The roundest knight at King Arthur's round table was Sir Cumference. He acquired his size from too much pi.
- A rubber band pistol was confiscated from algebra class because it was a weapon of math disruption.
- No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery.
- A dog gave birth to puppies near the road and was cited for littering.
- A grenade thrown into a kitchen in France would result in Linoleum Blownapart.
- Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana.
- Atheism is a non-prophet organization.
- A small boy swallowed some coins and was taken to a hospital. When his grandmother telephoned to ask how he was, a nurse said, "No change yet."
- A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.
- The short fortune teller who escaped from prison was a small medium at large.
- The man who survived mustard gas and pepper spray is now a seasoned veteran. →