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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.

MMM Meeting Minutes 8 July 2014

The July 2014 general membership meeting of Muroc Model Masters (MMM) was called to order by our club Vice President, Tony Accurso at 6:30 P.M. The meeting was held at Rosamond Elementary School, Room 26 in Rosamond, CA. We had twenty one members in attendance.

The reading of the June minutes was waived via unanimous vote. John Sturgeon moved to waive and seconded by Evelyn Accurso.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's Report was not given.

Old Business: The Muroc Model Masters (MMM) will be operating under an R-2515 Airspace Letter of Agreement (LOA) which will allow us to legally operate in our designated airspace over Rosamond Dry Lake. The letter should be signed by MMM President and the 412th Test Wing Commander Brig Gen. Brewer within the next two weeks. We are currently grounded until this document is signed. An email will be sent out to the membership once this is complete.

The new changes for MMM operations involve requesting authorization to ONLY fly RC aircraft during weekends, holidays and AFMC Family Days.....**NO WEEKDAY FLYING.** In order for members to legally fly during weekends and holidays, the MMM President ONLY (single point POC) will contact the R-2515 Airspace Manager 36 hours in advance of the weekends/holidays to request an FAA NOTAM (Notice to Airman) be put in place to prevent real aircraft from flying in our airspace. Obviously, this keeps everyone safe! If and when the airspace is activated for military operations during the weekends/holidays, we **WILL NOT** be able to fly.

When and only when the MMM NOTAM is activated via request by the MMM President, we will have the airspace from 6:00am-6:00pm during weekends, holidays and AFMC Family Days only. It will be the responsibility of the MMM members to follow/comply with the new requirements. Again, this involves checking the FAA website (link will be placed on the MMM website) the DAY members plan to fly to ensure the Muroc Model Masters NOTAM is in place before flying at the field. If there isn't an MMM NOTAM, we can't fly...PERIOD! Weekends and holidays are not guaranteed and things can change, so ALWAYS check the FAA website before flying at the MMM Field.

Here's the link for the site to check NOTAMS for Edwards (EDW):

<https://pilotweb.nas.faa.gov/PilotWeb/notamRetrievalByICAOAction.do?method=displayByICAOs&reportType=RAW&formatType=DOMESTIC&retrieveLocId=EDW&actionType=notamRetrievalByICAOs>

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All members will be receiving a new membership cards signed by the MMM President after the member receives the mandatory R-2515 Airspace Briefing. If you don't have the new card, which will be issued in the coming weeks, you cannot fly until it is issued to you. We will only be approved to operate 72 MHz radios at his time until we receive guidance from the 412th Communication Squadron on how we can mitigate potential 2.4 GHz interference concerns with the Edwards AFB Spectrum Systems. A big hurdle that may take some time! Fortunately, there are still many of us who have and/or still operate 72 MHz transmitters. Those pilots will be back out there flying once the LOA is signed and NOTAM is in place for that first weekend. For those pilots operating 2.4 GHz transmitters, I know this is frustrating but it is being worked and we can only hope that there can be a way forward through working with the 412th Communications Squadron in the coming weeks.

Our club has a proud 30+ years of safe R/C operations on Rosamond Dry Lake. It's indeed a privilege flying here and we look forward to continuing MMM's long relationship with the Edwards AFB community, while inspiring the next generation of aviation enthusiasts at this historic place for years to come.

New Business:

Hank Rigol and Trish Fisher from R-2515 Airspace Management Office attended the July Meeting to give those in attendance the mandatory R-2515 briefing and answered questions from the membership. We'd like to thank them for their time and willingness to help our members understand the R-2515 requirements.

The MMM Board of Director's Meeting will be held at Ken Zakar's Home, date TBD. The MMM By-Laws

will be reviewed and proposed changes discussed.

In attendance were: Tony Accurso, Evelyn Accurso, John Sturgeon, Ken Zakar, Phil Holmes, Jerry Rice, Jack Bugaren, Red Jensen, Damon Stewart, Andrew Whitten, Patrick Farr, Chad Farr, Rick Nesmith, Richard Johnson, Dade Mead, Diana Mead, Scott Mead, Robert Marraccino, Sophia Marraccino, Ronald Scaggs, and Jeff Steele.

John Sturgeon moved to close the meeting at 7:56pm, seconded by Evelyn Accurso.

Show & Tell:

Tony and Evelyn Accurso brought the FMS L-13 Blanik Sailplane, Freewing 64mm A-10 and Supreme Hobbies Airbus A320.



We would like to thank all of those members who participated in our meeting this month. These minutes were compiled by Tony and Evelyn Accurso on 8 Jul 2014. **NEXT MEETING AUGUST 12 @ 6:30pm.** →

The flying field is open to R-2515 Airspace briefed members only. Muroc Model Masters members may only transmit in 27/49/50/53/72/75 MHz on a non-interference basis only. NO 2.4 Ghz.

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