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**Happy
New Year**

an AMA "GOLD LEADER" CLUB



The President's Corner

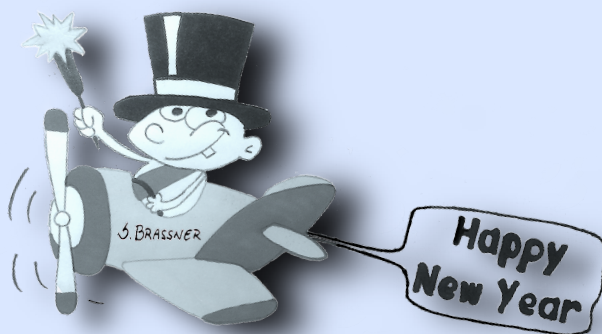
This year has been a tough year for me with the loss of my nephew and my father-in-law. When I was first asked to run for President I had my doubts about my ability to do a great job. There were so many things I wanted to do to make our club one of the best in the country; and besides I am "just a girl". But, with the help of the Board and our membership, I was able to have more events; got a new facelift for the field and even managed to get our club published in the 'Model Aviation' magazine for our "First Ladies Day Event".

This year I would like to add even more events and air shows. Events and airshows are crowd pleasers. They are good for public relations and provide a service for the surrounding community; and with getting Bobby G's Diner out to the field, we are now getting great food. For the club, events bring in more revenue. I'm planning on having an event at least once a month. So far, for this year, I have scheduled a Warbird Event, another Ladies Day Event and an IMAC event. I would be more than happy to assist anyone with organizing an event. So if you have any ideas please feel free to contact me.

Don't forget that club elections will be held at our February club membership meeting. If you are interested in serving your club, nominations are still open, and will close at the January membership meeting.

Fly safe and be well!

Susan Brassner
President



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UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS - CLUB **"EVENTS"** IN BOLD

January	14, 2016 -	Club membership meeting - 7:30 PM South County Civic Center
February	11, 2016 -	Club membership meeting - 7:30 PM South County Civic Center
February	14, 2016 -	SWAP MEET - 9:00 a.m. South County Civic Center

For more information and our **Full Calendar** go to: <http://www.palmbeachrc.com/#!/calendar-page/c1lbbj>

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As Always, A Special Thank You goes out to our Club Photographer - **Arty Mundell**

Check out all the great photos at: <http://www.palmbeachrc.com/#!2014-photo-page/ck6l>

On the Cover:

As you have probably noticed in the past, Susan has been including artwork with her President's Message each month. What better way than to start the new year with her flying rendition of the 2016 'New Year Baby'!

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FOR CLUB
INTRO VIDEO

Palm Beach Radio Control Association Field Safety Rules

Last Modified: 5/10/2012

All Members and guests must follow the AMA Safety Code as defined by the Palm Beach County Parks and Recreation Department.

In addition to the rules implied above, the following Club Safety Rules apply.

Section 1: General Rules.

1) Rule deleted.

2) Pilots MUST maintain a safe distance from spectators and other aircraft.

CLICK FOR CLUB SAFETY RULES



CLICK HERE
FOR CLUB
SAFETY VIDEO

You must have an active internet connection (DSL, Cable, etc.) for the active links to work!



PALM BEACH RADIO CONTROL ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Seth Sterling, Secretary

December 10, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Susan.

She welcomed everyone and new members were introduced.

The **minutes** from the October meeting were accepted as read by Seth.

The **treasurer's report** was accepted as read by Joe (Doug couldn't be present).

The **field safety report** was given by Glen, who said we are getting busier at the field now that many members are returning, and he reminded everyone to be inside the pilots' box before calling out that you are taxiing onto the runway, and to make all your calls loud enough to be heard and acknowledged.

Jay gave his **Chief Training Officer's report**, and has posted a new list of instructors on the press-box window and on the website. The importance of wearing your club card at the field was repeated.

Newsletter/web page: Joe said that thanks to the free classified ads, guys are selling things, and he always needs and welcomes pictures, articles, and classified ads.

Events: Sue reported on the successful Toys For Tots event, which raised \$1380. The South Florida Fair next month always needs volunteers to help assemble Delta Darts. Contact Pete Ferris if interested. And the club's annual **Swap Meet** will be on Sunday, February 14th. Contact Nooch for table reservations. **The IMAC event** will be on May 21st and 22nd.

Ground Maintenance: We received an estimate of \$3700 for resealing the runway, and expect to receive another estimate. A vote to accept the \$3700 bid if necessary was passed. Anyone opening the containers must re-lock them properly, closing the locks inside the protective covers. Also, the club's Port-a-Potty next to the hover area must be kept locked. And construction on the Eagle Scouts project to build 3 new startup stands will be starting soon.

New Business: After a short coffee & donuts break (with thanks to Susan & Joe for the refreshments), the purchase of a \$139 solar panel to supplement the existing panels was proposed by Hugo and was authorized by Sue. Three Director positions are open for nominations. Doug (treasurer), Joe (newsletter) and Jay (training) were the only nominations so far. Nominations close at the Jan. mtg. with the election in Feb. The roof repair on the large container will be done by Brooklyn Joe Mannino and Steve Prew and will be a bigger repair than originally expected. Steve spoke about possibly taking off from the runway in a northern direction if any other pilots who may be flying don't object. The rules require that all takeoffs, landings, and flying must be north of the south edge of the paved runway and not wherever the cones may be on the grass.

Bill Siegel presented a **Show & Tell** airplane. There was no **50-50 drawing**.

Our next meeting will be on **January 14th, 2016**.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 9:00 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Seth Sterling
Secretary

IMPORTANT CLUB NEWS

Volunteers are needed to man the Hobby Booth at the South County Fair (January 15-31). For more information, please contact Arty Mundel at: artypbrca@gmail.com

Also, if you have any magazines to donate, please leave them at the press box for Arty to pick up!

The 2016 Club Membership/Renewal application is available in this newsletter (on page 19); in the 'Press Box' (out at the field) and online, at our website. New members and renewals must complete the 2016 application with your payment.

www.palmbeachrc.com

The Palm Beach Radio Control Association

SWAP MEET

Sunday, February 14, 2016

Doors Open at 9:00 a.m.

Swap Meet Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Admission \$3.00

Tables \$10.00 in advance,
\$15.00 at the door!

South County Civic Center

16700 Jog Road

Delray Beach, FL 33446

Contact: Nooch Harding: noochharding@aol.com

703-499-1415



Brooklyn Joe's Place

Joe Mannino - Newsletter Editor

The newsletter and website are flying along just fine, and I have had some good feedback on both. It is a very interactive website, almost everything is 'clickable' and our logo on the top of every page will take you back to the main page when 'clicked'.

Also, note that you can click on any picture as the slide show of photos is moving along to stop that photo and enlarge it.

If you have any suggestions, please let our webmaster know - that's me !

The new site is very user friendly, so click away and have fun !

Contact me at:

bklynjoepbrca@gmail.com

NEWS AROUND TOWN !

Club Membership Renewals:

You **MUST** have a current 2016 AMA membership card to fly as of January 1, 2016. Also, we will not create your PBRCA membership card unless you renew your AMA card. The Club Membership form is available on the PCBRC web site or at the field in the press box:

http://media.wix.com/ugd/e50535_a0b304ccdee84ef3bf276d2d822f0bd0.pdf

Looking for an **"Event"** in the area, or across the country? What about a club meeting or registering for an event? Are you hosting an event? Want to learn about an event?

Find it all and do it all, for free, at RC Flight Deck !

Check it out at: <http://www.rcflightdeck.com>



Jay Eichler
Chief Flight
Instructor

The Palm Beach Radio Control Association has instructors offering **NO CHARGE** lessons to [members](#) interested in learning how to fly radio controlled airplanes.

INSTRUCTOR/TRAINERS:

Richard Butler	407-506-3732
Peter Conigliaro	561-271-7525
Jay Eicher	561-391-7833
Glenn Gelatt	561-441-7617
* Steve Prew	401-749-2863
Joe Scimeca	941-772-0115
Bob Thompson	561-628-9460

* **Winter Resident**



If you would like to volunteer to be a trainer contact Jay Eicher 561-391-7833

If you require training, please call one of the instructors and arrange to meet.

TRAINERS ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DAMAGE TO YOUR AIRCRAFT

This month's picture submitted by:
"Arty Mundell"



“PICTURE *of the* MONTH”

Photos must be related to our club, the PBRCA.
All submissions due by the 25th of the month for
the next months newsletter.

Club E-mail Notifications: You should be receiving email notifications for the monthly general membership meetings. If you are not, please e-mail sethpbrca@gmail.com with your email address and we will update our records. If you want your name & e-mail address removed, also contact sethpbrca@gmail.com

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http://media.wix.com/ugd/e50535_6a1c7bc3aa454733a93006cc40181e7c.pdf

As of March 1st, of every year, we will only send e-mail notices to current club members.

Please renew your club membership to stay in the know.



You must have a 2016 AMA Membership Card to fly on January 1, 2016 !



VIDEOS/VIDEO REVIEWS

Oldtimer Ju-52 Scale RC Model in
Hausen 2015:

<https://youtu.be/jkjJD2APod4>

WW2 RC BOMBERS & FIGHTERS DISPLAY
AT LMA RAF COSFORD - 2015:

<https://youtu.be/bJ7ncZezltM>

FIVE GIANT SCALE RC VICKERS
WELLINGTON BOMBERS DISPLAY AT
LMA RAF EAST KIRKBY - 2015:

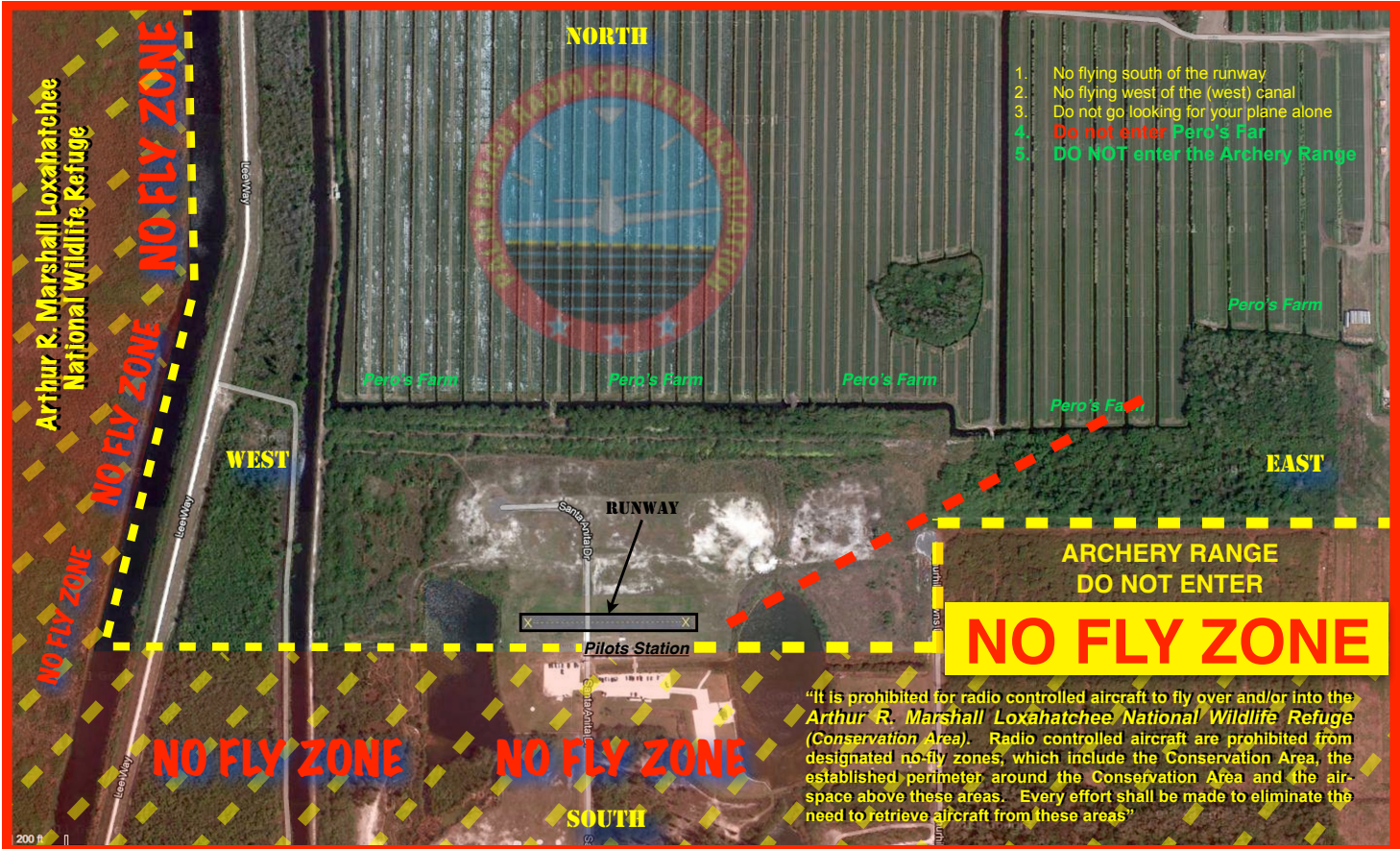
<https://youtu.be/j3KfXmCTUd4>

NEW BIGGEST RC AIRPLANE IN THE
WORLD BOEING 747-400:

<https://youtu.be/akoJ2zBwX1o>

PG RATINGS: * MUST SEE VIDEO * PRETTY GOOD VIDEO * OK VIDEO

Palm Beach County has previously established “flying” boundaries and we need to adhere to those restrictions. There is an aerial map showing the boundary lines for west & south flying and it is posted in the bulletin board located at the “impound”. Our club has already been warned about flying over the Everglades by a Federal Wildlife Officer. You must fly within the designated boundaries!



FIELD SAFETY RULES, as approved by the membership, can be read the here:

http://www.palmbeachrc.com/PBRCA_safety_rules_revH.pdf

SAFETY FIRST!



As the park gets more and more popular, we are going to see more and more patrols by the Sheriff's Department. The park speed limit is **25 mph and stop signs, mean STOP!** Do not risk an expensive ticket by becoming complacent. Also watch for 'flying saucers' (frisbees) ! Save your money for a new plane, battery, servo or radio.

Slow Down & Stay Safe!

Located just south of the RC Flying Field is our Heli Field



PBRCA

OUR HELI WORLD

Photo by: Seth Sterling



Gustavo with his Mikado 700



Photo by: Brooklyn Joe

The models seem to be getting bigger and bigger each year ! Might be exceeding the 55 pound weight limit !

REMINDER:

A 2016 AMA Card is required to fly on January 1, 2016.

2016 Club Membership Renewal forms are available at the field, on page 18 of this issue, or on the club website (main page):

www.palmbeachrc.com

Pictures from the Field

Check out ALL of December's pictures at:
<http://www.palmbeachrc.com/#!/december-2015/o9ldp>





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TOYS FOR TOTS/FUN-FLY EVENT

<http://www.palmbeachrc.com/#!toys-for-tots-2015/qevr8>



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*The Palm Beach Radio Control Association***BOOK OF THE MONTH** *A Shelly Portnoy book review !*

The Wright Brothers, a book written by two-time Pulitzer Prize winner, David McCullough.

By the very nature of this story, I felt a short review could be considered appropriate for our renowned news periodical. This book, a recent best seller release, is available at our public libraries. The writing skills of Mr. McCullough takes the reader up front and personal into the Wright Bros. and their family throughout their tedious trials concluding with tribulations for the brothers who successfully conquered gravity by creating a heavier than air powered flying machine able to carry man above earth.

When the brothers worked together, no problem seemed insurmountable. Not even the possibility of being killed. They built and conducted wind tunnel tests to evaluate different airfoils and wing shapes, which none of the other 100 or more learned aviation experimenters addressed.

One might ask, "why wing warping instead of ailerons"? In fact, one of over 200 patents that they were awarded, indicated ailerons drawn with dotted lines and referred to as small wings to control (roll) lateral stability. They felt, to be successful, a close as possible emulation of how birds control their flight would lead to achievement, and that proved to be true. They even produced an algebraic formula indicating placement for the center of lift which was important in determining location for the center of gravity. Formulas from other experimenters proved to be false.

A prominent American scientist and head of the Smithsonian Institution, Samuel Langley, designed and constructed a machine, that he guaranteed would fly. He also accepted \$80k from our government for his project. They located the machine on top of a house boat floating in the Potomac River. When Langley as the pilot pulled the release mechanism, the contraption was catapulted 50 feet into the air, stalled and then without hesitation, dropped into the river and sank. Luckily, he was rescued and upon regaining his composure, he declared that man will never produce a machine that would fly as gravity is too strong. He, as well as many other Americans considered all the news regarding the Wright Brothers success as fraudulent.

I believe skepticism is part of our culture. When Thomas Edison wanted to light up NYC, we said no, as we thought it was dangerous and wouldn't work. We also didn't want to put thousands of candle and lantern workers out of jobs. Then, they even tried to stop the automobile from expanding as NYC would be the recipient of 3,000 unemployed horses. And who is going to feed them? Sharing our wealth to feed horses that can't work would create socialism.

For me, their story is so honest and uplifting that I recommended it to my wife, Ruby who agreed to read it if I can assure her that there is no mention of football anywhere in this read. I told her that if there is even one word of football, I will scream and jump out the window. Lol. Which by the way is about three feet above soft grassy ground. Ruby enjoyed the read and recommended it to many of her friends.

TIPS & TRICKS

Shortcuts to moving around our website:
www.palmbeachrc.com

CLICK on any of the 'tabs' from any page to go directly to the 'that page'

CLICK on the 'helicopter' from any page to go directly to the 'Heli Page'



CLICK on our 'club logo' from any page to go back to the 'Home Page'

All of the icons are click-able, so if you want to go to the AMA website, click that icon; Map to the field, click the icon; our calendar page, click that icon !



The Palm Beach Radio Control Association



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION & RENEWAL FORM

Palm Beach Radio Control Association, Inc. (PBRCA)

☐ **FIXED WING**
☐ **ROTARY**
☐ **MULTI-ROTOR**
☐ **TURBINE**
☐ **STUDENT**

Please select **ONE** category based on your current flight status ! **NEW PILOTS**

I hereby apply for membership in the Palm Beach Radio Control Association, Inc. I understand that I must first be a member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) or that I must apply for membership prior to submitting this application. AMA - 1-800-435-9262

AMA (Academy of Model Aeronautics)
5151 E Memorial Drive,
Muncie, IN 47302

2016

DUES INFORMATION:

Annual dues per person \$35.00
Dues after June 1 \$25.00
Annual dues under 18 years old \$10.00
Maximum Annual dues per family \$50.00

IMPORTANT: You must renew your AMA Membership by January 1st of each year in order to fly at Westervelt Field and receive your new/renewal PBRCA membership club card.

PLEASE PRINT THE REQUIRED INFORMATION BELOW:

First Name ** Last Name ** Initial AMA Membership Number **

Street Address ** AMA Turbine Waiver Number

City ** State ** Zip Code ** IMAA Membership Number

Telephone number with area code Cell Phone Number **

E-mail Address ** Emergency Contact Number

☐ **NEW MEMBERSHIP**

I have read the updated PBRCA "Safety Rules" and agree to abide by all the safety rules, including those rules & restrictions posted by the county.

☐ **RENEWAL**

SAFETY RULES: <http://www.palmbeachrc.com/>

☐ **Do not include my information on the published club membership list !**

**** REQUIRED INFORMATION**

Signature **

Date **

Membership Benefits:

Monthly newsletter, monthly meetings, use of club maintained grass & blacktop runway, pit area tables & benches, frequency control station, flight instruction by club instructors, participation in club contests, fly-ins, picnics, shows and raffles.

Mail this form to PBRCA:

PBRCA
PO Box 480392
Delray Beach, FL 33448-0392

☐ **CASH** Rec'd by: _____

☐ **CHECK #** _____ **Date:** _____

If you want your membership cards mailed back to you, please enclose a stamped, self addressed envelope with your application.

SAFETY TIPS:

1. Please do not linger on the runway when picking up your airplane. It is important that you vacate the runway as quickly as possible as long as its safe to move your airplane.
2. Do not park your airplane on the main taxiway, as it makes it difficult for pilots landing & taking off. Many parked planes have been struck on the taxiway. Be smart, park elsewhere.

SPOTTED AT THE FLYING FIELD



Is the pilot's name Ernie?



'BIG BIRD'
Invades the field !



FAA UAS (DRONE) REGISTRATION

All UAS (Drones) .55 lbs up to 55 lbs. must register by February 19, 2016. For more information and registration online go to: <http://www.faa.gov/uas/registration/>

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Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Registration

Register My UAS

If you own a drone, you must register it with the Federal Aviation Administration's Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) registry. A federal law effective December 21, 2015 requires unmanned aircraft registration, and you are subject to civil and criminal penalties if you do not register.

- Review the UAS Registration FAQs to learn more about the program.
- Read the Aircraft Registration Records System of Records Notice (PDF).
- Read the Registration and Marking Requirements for Small Unmanned Aircraft Interim Final Rule (PDF).

Register before January 20, 2016 and your \$5 registration fee will be refunded!

Register on December 21, 2015

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Top Tasks

- Read about the draft rule for small UAS
- View FOIA Responses
- Apply for a Section 333 exemption
- Connect with a UAS Test Site
- Contact the UAS Integration Office

What can you do with your unmanned aircraft?

FAA B4UFLY B4UFLY Smartphone App Beta Version Released

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Please review the AMA Member Communications (next three pages) !

You're receiving this email because of your affiliation with the Academy of Model Aeronautics.

Academy of Model Aeronautics Member Communication



Monday, December 28, 2015

The AMA has recommended that our members hold off on registering their model aircraft with the FAA until advised by the AMA or until the FAA's legal deadline of February 19. Holding off on registration will allow time for AMA to fully consider all possible legal and political options for alleviating this unnecessary regulatory burden on our members.

In the meantime, you can help by making your voice heard with the FAA. Specifically we are asking all AMA members to submit comments on the FAA's interim rule on registration. The deadline to submit comments is January 15, 2016. All comments can be submitted at <http://1.usa.gov/1Jegj0C>.

Below are recommended messages to convey in your comments:

- Express your disappointment with the registration rule. As a member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA), I am disappointed with the new rule for UAS registration. I am a long time model aircraft flyer, who has operated under the guidance of the largest community-based organization (CBO) in the world for many years.
- Highlight AMA's history and safety record. Since 1936, AMA has published safety standards and offered training programs for our members - more than 20 years before the FAA was created. Our National Model Aircraft Safety Code has been recognized by Congress as well as by state legislatures as a safe and effective means of managing model aircraft enthusiasts like me
- Note that you already register with AMA. Additionally, AMA's safety program already instructs me to place my AMA number or name and address on or within my model aircraft(s), effectively accomplishing the safety and accountability objectives of the interim rule.
- Make it clear this rule is contrary to the intent of Congress. The new rule is contrary to the intent of Congress in Section 336 of the 2012 FAA Modernization and Reform Act. Section 336, also referred to as the "Special Rule for Model Aircraft," clearly prohibits the FAA from promulgating any new rules for recreational users operating within the safety guidelines of a CBO. In addition, the FAA's contention that model aircraft should be considered aircraft is currently the subject of pending litigation.
- Affirm that as an AMA member you should be exempt from federal registration. The registration process is an unnecessary burden for me and the more than 185,000 other AMA members. AMA members should not be required to register with the FAA.

Thank you,
AMA Government and Regulatory Affairs Team
amagov@modelaircraft.org

Academy of Model Aeronautics Member Communication



Thursday, December 17, 2015

Dear AMA Members,

Yesterday, the AMA Executive Council unanimously approved an action plan to relieve and further protect our members from unnecessary and burdensome regulations. This plan addresses the recently announced interim rule requiring federal registration of all model aircraft and unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) weighing between 0.55 and 55 pounds.

AMA has long used a similar registration system with our members, which we pointed out during the task force deliberations and in private conversations with the FAA. As you are aware, AMA's safety program instructs all members to place his or her AMA number or name and address on or within their model aircraft, effectively accomplishing the safety and accountability objectives of the interim rule. AMA has also argued that the new registration rule runs counter to Congress' intent in Section 336 of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012, otherwise known as the "Special Rule for Model Aircraft."

The Council is considering all legal and political remedies to address this issue. We believe that resolution to the unnecessary federal registration rule for our members rests with AMA's petition before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia. This petition, filed in August 2014, asks the court to review the FAA's interpretation of the "Special Rule for Model Aircraft." The central issue is whether the FAA has the authority to expand the definition of aircraft to include model aircraft; thus, allowing the agency to establish new standards and operating criteria to which model aircraft operators have never been subject to in the past.

In promulgating its interim rule for registration earlier this week, the FAA repeatedly stated that model aircraft are aircraft, despite the fact that litigation is pending on this very question. The Council believes the FAA's reliance on its interpretation of Section 336 for legal authority to compel our members to register warrants the Court's immediate attention to AMA's petition.

While we continue to believe that registration makes sense at some threshold and for flyers operating outside of a community-based organization or flying for commercial purposes, we also strongly believe our members are not the problem and should not have to bear the burden of additional regulations. Safety has been the cornerstone of our organization for 80 years and AMA's members strive to be a part of the solution.

As we proceed with this process, we suggest AMA members hold off on registering their model aircraft with the FAA until advised by the AMA or until February 19, the FAA's legal deadline for registering existing model aircraft.

Holding off on registration will allow AMA time to fully consider all possible options. On a parallel track, it also allows AMA to complete ongoing conversations with the FAA about how best to streamline the registration process for our members.

In the near future, we will also be asking our members to make their voices heard by submitting comments to the FAA's interim rule on registration. We will follow-up soon with more detailed information on how to do this.

Thank you for your continued support of AMA. We will provide you with more updates as they become available.

Kind regards,

The AMA Executive Council

AMA Member Communication regarding the FAA announced plan for model aircraft registration !

Academy of Model Aeronautics Member Communication



Monday, December 14, 2015

AMA and the FAA Registration Process

Today the FAA announced plans for a model aircraft registration process to begin next week. AMA was a member of the task force that helped develop recommendations for this registration rule and argued throughout the process that registration makes sense at some level but only for those operating outside the guidance of a community-based organization or flying for commercial purposes.

Unfortunately, the new FAA registration rule does not include our advice. The rule is counter to Congress's intent in the Special Rule for Model Aircraft and makes the registration process an unnecessary burden for all of our members who have been operating safely for decades.

While we are disappointed with the new registration rule and still maintain that AMA members should be exempt from registration, the rule is being implemented over AMA objections. Therefore, we want to provide you with important information about the registration rule and how AMA members can comply with the new federal requirements:

- All aircraft that are flown using a ground control system, such as a transmitter, are required to participate. This includes fixed-wing aircraft, not just multirotors or drones.
- Any pilot flying models weighing between .55 pounds (or 250 grams) and 55 lbs is required to register.
- You will not be required to register every aircraft individually. You only need to register yourself and can affix one registration number to all your aircraft.
- You must mark all aircraft with your registration number. The number can be inside the aircraft, such as a battery hatch - but should not require tools to access.
- The FAA plans to launch the online registration website on Monday, December 21.
- There is a \$5 fee to register, which is waived if you register within the first 30 days.
- You only need to register once every 3 years.

We are still working out the logistics for this process. Some details are still being discussed, including:

- We are seriously discussing with the FAA a system where your AMA number could be used as your federal registration number as well. At this point, this is only a proposal and details are not yet finalized.
- At this time, AMA members will not automatically be registered when the registration website launches next week. However, we are in conversations with the FAA about the best way to streamline the registration process for AMA members going forward.

This is an ongoing process and we will continue to provide updates on the registration rule. Stay tuned to modelaircraft.org/gov, social media and your email for the latest news on the registration process.

Thank you,
AMA Government Relations and Advocacy Team



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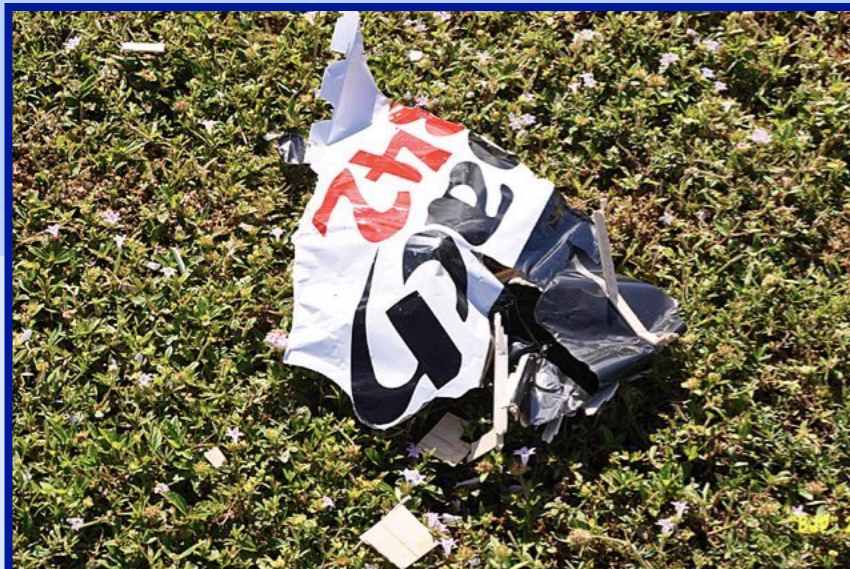
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