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June The MRCS Officers 2024

Table with officer names and contact info: President (Greg Eilers), Vice-President (Ken Myers), Secretary (Lynn Morgan), Treasurer (Dave Stacer), Safety Officer (Bill Brown, Jr.), Head Flight Instructor (Ken Myers), Newsletter Editor (Ken Myers), Next Meeting: Date: Wednesday, June 12, 2024, Time: 5 p.m. Place: 7 Mi. Rd. Flying Field

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Summer Meeting Reminder

Please be aware that all summer meeting dates are tentative and may need to be changed/moved due to weather related issues.

Please check your email and the club Website, as the tentative date approaches, for possible last minute changes.

June is a Busy Month Coming Up For Us!

Greetings Midwest Members,

Our annual ladies' night originally planned for June 5th has been reschedule until Wednesday, June 12th with a rain date of Thursday, June 13th. Be there about 5 p.m.

Margie Sievert and Arthur Deane will be organizing again.

I will send out a reminder in early June.

Please remember to go very slowly when coming in and going out of the drive and the road back to the field. Our landlord has grandchildren, so please be careful and considerate. Thank you.

Best Regards, Greg.

Saturday, June 22nd is the "Dog Days" open fly for all Midwest and EFO club members, guests and friends.

Flying starts at 10 a.m.

A "flying field lunch" will be served at about noon.

We hope to see many of you then.

Come on out for a day of flying, friends and food!

The May Midwest Meeting

Unfortunately, we had a very low turn out. There were only three flyers. The attendance was a bit sporadic. Greg, Dave, Lynn, Paul, Roger were there for the meeting and Bill Jr. showed up later.

Dave and Lynn debated whether Google Maps GPS and true magnetic north were use in relation to the field positioning.



They adjusted the weather station orientation to reflect actual position to North, South, East, West. That's why they had a ladder. The people who flew were; Greg, Paul and Lynn.



Paul can be seen getting ready to fly.

Thanks for the report and photos Greg!

Hopefully We've Kicked the Dandelions Out as Tenants of Our Flying Field

On Saturday morning, May 18, **Dave Stacer** put down weed killer on the flying field. It was the perfect day for it.

Thanks to **Denny Sumner** for the photo!



2024 Mowing Information

Please Note:

1. The mowing schedule is presented as a general mowing guide to help insure that the field is mowed at least once a week.
2. As shown each of the 4 mowing teams usually have a period of 4 weeks between their respective turns to mow, but this is subject to change (see below).
3. The schedule is NOT intended to be an unbending, all encompassing rule that covers every situation.
4. Each Team Captain is empowered to adjust his team's mowing time and day if required due to weather, special events or another reason; he is responsible for communicating his adjustments to all the members of his team.

	2024 MOWING SCHEDULE					
	May----	June----	July----	August--	September-	October
No.4 Team Captain Bill Brown Jr. 313-268-4167	8	5	3,31	28	25	23
No.1 Team Captain Roger Wilfong 248-349-9079	15	12	10	7	4	2,30
No 2 Team Captain Dennis Sumner 734-658-7931	22	19	17	14	11	9
No.3 Team Captain David Stacer 313-318-3288	1,29	26	24	21	18	16

5. In case of vacation or a leave of absence, it is the Team Captain's responsibility to swap weeks with another Team Captain.

6. Additional cuttings are at the discretion of the Team Captains.

7. The attached schedule will NOT be modified for any of the changes listed in items 4, 5 or 6.

Wednesday is mowing day (weather permitting) otherwise Thursday before 6 p.m.

Typical Mowing times: (TBD)

Midwest R.C. Field 7 Mile Road Year 2024 Mowing Teams				
No. 1 Team	AM		No. 2 Team	PM
Roger Wilfong	248-349-9079		Dennis Sumner	734-658-7931
Tom Cwynar	248-437-0602		Arnold Nielsen	248-305-8264
Ken Sulton	734-634-9801		John Gavasso	248-986-7587
Jessie Brunais	251-233-5333			
No. 3 Team	PM		No. 4 Team	AM
David Stacer	313-318-3288		Bill Brown Jr.	313-268-4167
Ken Myers	248-669-8124		Norm Peters	810-923-1809
Richard Sawicki	248-685-7056		Jim Lapham	248-342-5405
Jim McDonald	248-376-0857		Ted Flack	248-804-5468

Flight Instructors, please consult the mowing schedule and mowing team leader prior to scheduling training sessions to avoid conflicts.

Team members, PLEASE call your team leader if you are unable to show up for field work. All team members must check with their Team Leader for the actual mowing time.

Any team member whose personal schedule conflicts with his team's mowing schedule should contact Bill Brown, 248 379-4935, for reassignment to another team.

All TEAM LEADERS AND MEMBERS MUST BE CHECKED OUT BEFORE RUNNING ANY OF THE EQUIPMENT USED TO TAKE CARE OF THE PARKING AREA OR FLYING FIELD.

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SAFETY FIRST

NO SMOKING IN OR AROUND THE STORAGE AREAS!

NO REFUELING of EQUIPMENT INSIDE THE STORAGE CONTAINERS!

All Hand and Riding mowers:

Check oil before mowing!

Ford Tractor Rules:

Check oil and water before mowing!

Do not exceed 1850 RPM!

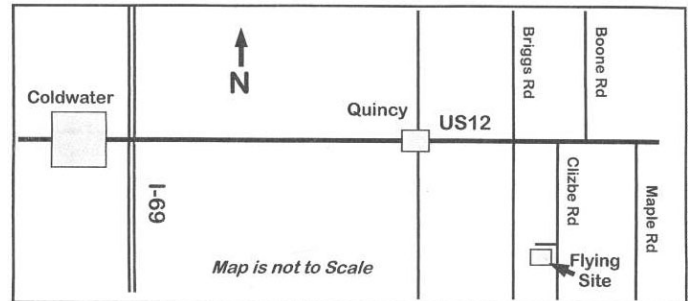
Always mow in 2nd Gear- never in 3rd Gear!

No high speed turns!

Keep cut grass away from the grill and the radiator!

Report any equipment problems to Bill Brown, Jr. 313-268-4167 or Roger Wilfong 248-349-9079.

The Upcoming Keith Shaw Birthday Party



Electric Fly-in 2024

The Balsa Butchers are hosting the “Keith Shaw Birthday Party Electric Fly-In”, for the 22nd year, at their field near Coldwater, MI. The event takes place on Saturday, **June 1, 2024**. It is a one day event.

The event consists of Open Electric Flying with a "Special Guest of Honor Theme", Happy Birthday Keith Shaw [June 6].

Enjoy a day with the "Pioneering Master of Electric R/C Flight". 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., Saturday. NO LANDING FEE! Donations for field maintenance and lunch appreciated.

For additional information contact; Contest Director: Dave Grife - E-mail: grifesd@yahoo.com or Phone: 517-279-8445 Please e-mail or call with any questions.

The field will be open for guests to fly on Sunday as well.

40th Annual Mid-America Electric Flies 2024 & FREE Open Air Swap Meet, Sat. July 13

(See Swap Meet Note at the end of this announcement.)

AMA Sanctioned Event (Proof of AMA membership required to fly - Sorry MAAC membership is no longer accepted)

Saturday, July 13 & Sunday, July 14, 2024

Hosted by the:

Ann Arbor Falcons, Electric Flyers Only and The Midwest RC Society

The 7 Mile Rd. Flying Site, Salem Twp., MI, is Provided by the:

Midwest R/C Society

Contest Directors are:

Ken Myers phone (248) 669-8124 or email kmyersefo@mac.org –

Website for updates:

<http://www.theampeer.org> for updates & info

Keith Shaw (734) 973-6309

Flying both days is at the Midwest R/C Society Flying Field - 7 Mile Rd., Salem Twp., MI

Registration: 9 A.M. **Saturday**

Event Flying from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. **Saturday**

Open Flying 10 A.M. Until You Leave **Sunday**

(Open Flying Saturday after the Event & All Day Sunday

There are NO SCHEDULED EVENTS on Sunday, just open electric flying)

No Pilot Landing Fee

Donations will be gladly accepted

No Parking Donation Will Be Requested from Spectators or Those Participating in the Open Air Swap Show

Donations to Midwest will be gladly accepted from Spectators and Open Air Swappers

Awards on Saturday Only!

Best Scale

Most Beautiful

Best Mini-Electric

Best Multi-motor

Best Sport Plane

Foam Flurry for NCM aircraft

CDs' Choice

Planes Must Fly To Be Considered for Any Award
Plaques for the winner in each category

The Field is Open for Open Flying All Day **Friday**

Night Flying Possible, Weather Permitting, **Friday & Saturday Nights**

Field Lunch is provided to pilots and friends (hot dogs, chips, water or pop) Available on **Saturday**

Field Dinner is provided (Burgers, Brats on **Saturday evening for Pilots & Their Guests**)

Come and join us for two days of fun and relaxed electric flying.

The NCM (Not Conventional Materials) Event

Traditionally, model aircraft airframes have been mostly constructed from balsa wood, plywood, spruce, and fiberglass. For the purposes of this meet, NCM airframes are mostly constructed from not conventional materials i.e.; sheet foam, foam board, cardboard, block foam, foam insulation material, etc.

Foam Flurry for NCM aircraft: This is a true event. It is based upon the all up/last down event of early electric meets. Any NCM aircraft may be used (no ARF types). Power systems are limited to a maximum of 3S (no paralleling) LiPo batteries or 4S maximum, no paralleling, for A123 packs. All planes qualifying for this event will launch at the same time, and the last one to land will be declared the winner.

VERY IMPORTANT REMINDER FOR 2024 - THE FLYING FIELD ENTRANCE TO THE MIDWEST FLYING FIELD CHANGED FOUR YEARS AGO!

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The old entrance to the Midwest RC Society flying field is **permanently closed!!! DO NOT ATTEMPT TO USE IT!!!**



**This what the flying field entrance looks like.
Please Drive SAFELY**

The field entrance is on the north side of Seven Mile Road about 1.5 Miles west of Currie Rd. entrance is on the north side of Seven Mile Road about 1.6 Miles west of Currie Rd.

The address is 7621 Seven Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167. The entrance is through a private residence drive and out past the barn.

Directions from Google Maps to the flying field

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/MIDWEST+R%2FC+SOCIETY/@42.422025,-83.6170775,805m/data=!3m1!1e3!4m1!1m7!3m6!1s0x8823559bdf962b57:0xd100df97d9dcebf1!2s7419+7+Mile+Rd,+Northville,+MI+48167!3b1!8m2!3d42.4187058!4d-83.6190072!3m4!1s0x882355a2c9e29cb5:0xaaaf5920688692b984!8m2!3d42.422025!4d-83.6148888?hl=en>

To locate the Midwest R/C Society 7 Mile Rd. flying field, site of the Mid-America Electric Flies, look near top left corner of the map, where the star marks the spot, near Seven Mile Road and Currie Rd.

Because of their convenient location and the easy drive to the flying field, the Comfort Suites and Holiday Inn Express in Wixom, MI have been added to the hotels' listing. They are only 10 miles northeast of the field and located near I-96 and Wixom Road. See the map-hotel .pdf for more details.

<http://www.theampeer.org/map-hotels.pdf>

Open Air Swap Meet, Saturday at the Mid-Am

There is a designated area for swappers. Please check-in at the event registration table before setting up. Someone from registration will point out where you may set up. Bring your own table(s) and chair(s).

There is no swap meet fee. A donation to the Midwest RC Society for the use of their flying field would be greatly appreciated.



To change your email address contact Ken Myers at kmyersefo@mac.com

**The 2024 membership application is available at the club Web site,
<http://www.midwestrcsociety.org>,
for downloading with the link on the homepage.**

Upcoming Events

Tentative 2024 Midwest Events Schedule

Every Tuesday, May through Oct. Sailplane League (6 p.m.) Larry Markey CD.

Wednesday, June, 12th, Ladies' Night flying & picnic 5 p.m.

Saturday, June 22nd, "Dog Days" open fly for all Midwest and EFO club members, guests and friends. Lunch served Noonish, Flying at 10 a.m.

July 3rd Club meeting and flying @ the field 6pm

July 13th – 14th, 40th Annual Mid-Am Electric Flies

Aug 7th Club meeting and flying @ the field 6pm

September 11th Club Meeting and flying at the 6pm
Officer nominations

September SAT. TBD AMA sponsored Sailplane event.
Larry Markey CD.

Oct 2nd Club Meeting Mettetal FBO 7pm. Officer nominations

Nov. 3, Sunday, Annual Swap Shop

Nov 6th Club Meeting Mettetal FBO 7pm Officer voting

Nov 16th year end social dinner. Location TBD.

Dec 4th Christmas meeting Mettetal FBO 7pm. Snack and gift exchange. Optional.

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The Next Meeting:

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