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March The MRCS Officers 2025

President: Greg Eilers, Vice-President: Ken Myers, Secretary: Lynn Morgan, Treasurer: Dave Stacer, Safety Officer: Bill Brown, Jr., Head Flight Instructor: Dave Stacer

Newsletter Editor: Ken Myers, Next Meeting: Date: Wednesday, March 5, 2025, Time: 7:30 p.m. FBO at Mettetal Airport

What's In This Issue: Winter/Early Spring Meeting Reminder - January Luncheon at Karl's Cabin - Renewal Time - Glider Competition at the Field For This Year - Upcoming Keith Shaw Birthday Party Electric Fly-in - Indoor Flying Brighton - Indoor Flying Pontiac - Toledo Swap Info - Free Indoor Swap - Upcoming Events

Winter/Early Spring Meeting Reminder

Our fall, winter and early spring meetings are held at the fixed-based operator (FBO) building at Mettetal Airport.

Canton-Plymouth Mettetal Airport is a public use airport located in Canton Township, Michigan, United States. The airport lies two nautical miles south of the central business district of Plymouth, in Wayne County. The airport is owned and operated by the Michigan Department of Transportation.

Address: 8550 N Lilley Rd, Canton, MI 48187

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

The FBO is the white building that is located closer to the runway than the EAA building.

Midwest Luncheon at Karl's Cabin

At noon, on Saturday, January 25, 2025 we had a luncheon for all of the Midwest members and their families at Karl's Cabin. It started at noon.



Everyone there had a great time eating and chatting. What a wonderful afternoon it was.



### **No Midwest January Meeting**

For various reasons there was no January 2025 meeting.

### **Membership Renewal Time and More**

From Lynn Morgan via email

I thought I would send out this friendly reminder that our Midwest RC Society membership **dues are due by the first club meeting in March**. We hope you are considering rejoining Midwest for the 2025 flying season!

### **Membership Form For This Year**

For new members, please remember to submit a signed MRCS membership application form this year, 2025.

Membership applications are kept on file, as it is an agreement that each year that you are a member, you will abide by all Club Field Rules and By-Laws.

After the first signed document, you only need to submit a membership application if there are any changes to your Location/Contact info, or Work Commitment, otherwise everything carries over into the new year.

During the following years, membership is as simple as submitting a check, cash, or PayPal that has Name & AMA #.

PayPal is an option for payment, put "please submit a 2023 membership app for this year".

All members must have a valid AMA card or Proof Receipt to be able to fly at the MRCS field.

A copy of your AMA card is no longer required with the membership application.

FYI.... Please remember that Club Dues are batch processed one month at a time. Checks are handed over to the Club Treasurer at the first Wednesday meeting of the following month. Checks are then typically deposited within a week of when the Treasurer receives them.

### **Altitude Limited Glider Competition at the Field For This Year**

This year we are planning to have the altitude limited glider competition at the field (schedule is TBD, probably the same as last year). **Ted Flack** is heading this event. It is LOT's of fun, so we hope you are considering coming out and participating!

We do appreciate your continued support of our club! Hope to see you at the field!

Lynn

### **The February 2025 Club Meeting**

Because of a predicted incoming ice storm, the meeting time was changed to 7 p.m. to allow folks to get home before the ice storm started.

**Dave Stacer** presented the annual treasurer's report. Only the highlights are noted here. If you missed the meeting, you can email Dave with specific questions regarding our finances.

Unfortunately, Dave could not get his laptop to connect to the TV for the presentation spreadsheets, but he did an absolutely EXCELLENT job in presenting out financial data for last year.

Overall our financial situation is not bad when compared to previous years.

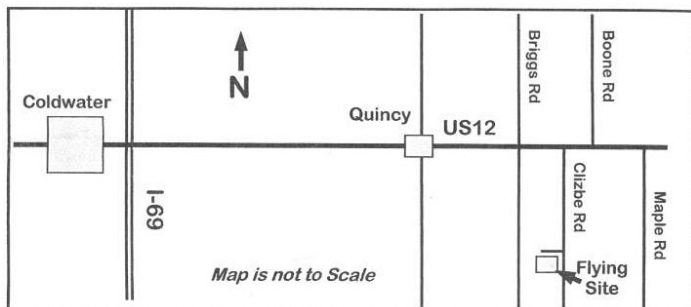
Remember if you have specific questions regarding our finances, you can email Dave your questions.

Thanks Dave for your hard work!!!

We are looking into getting a new Contest Director (AMA uses the term CD for contest director)

for the club to hold an open glider contest this year.

**Denny Sumner** seems to have “volunteered”.



### **The Upcoming Keith Shaw Birthday Party Electric Fly-in 2025**

The Balsa Butchers are hosting the “Keith Shaw Birthday Party Electric Fly-In”, for the 23rd year, at their field near Coldwater, MI. The event takes place on Saturday, May 31, 2025. 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". 9 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: 517-677-9978  
Please e-mail or call with any questions.

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

### **Indoor Flying in Brighton Information**

Indoor flying started at the Legacy Center on Wednesday October 9th. The flying time is 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. The Legacy Center Website is:

[legacycentermichigan.com](http://legacycentermichigan.com)

Address: Legacy Center, 9299 Goble Dr, Brighton, MI 48116

### **Indoor Flying in Pontiac Info**

Indoor flying in Pontiac started on Tuesday, October 15th and continues on Tuesdays through April 15, 2025.

Full Information can be found at the following link.

<http://www.skymasters.org/index.php?page=events&type=detail&event=indoor>

Join us for indoor flying on Tuesdays throughout the winter! 9AM - 12PM. United Wholesale Mortgage Sports Complex is our host site. Located at 867 South Blvd in Pontiac, the facility features a 365 foot by 260 foot flying area with ceiling heights from 45 to 75 feet!

Weekly Indoor Flying is scheduled for Tuesdays from October 15, 2024 thru April 15, 2025 9:00 a.m. to noon.

A single flying session is \$10 and a 25 session season pass is \$150.

The Skymasters' Indoor Rules for 2024/2025 are linked here.

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### **As a reminder:**

1. Aircraft can weigh no more than 1-1/2 pounds All Up Weight. Helicopters & multi-rotor copters are limited to 250 maximum size. All aircraft must be powered by no more than a single 3 cell (11.1 volt) 1000 mAh battery.
2. First Person View-FPV is limited to micro quadcopters powered by a single cell battery (Max 500 mAh).

A quick reminder that indoor flying starts on Tuesday morning (Oct. 15th)! Remember we will be flying up front in the smaller room for the first two weeks. Please still park in the back.

<http://www.skymasters.org/index.php?page=events&id=16641>

Pete Foss

### **Upcoming Toledo R/C Swap Meet & Expo**

Friday, April 4 & Saturday, April 5, 2025  
9:00AM - 5:00PM FRIDAY

9:00AM - 2:00PM SATURDAY

Glass City Center - Main Floor

401 Jefferson Ave.

Toledo, OH

Admission: \$10

[www.ToledoRCSwapMeet.com](http://www.ToledoRCSwapMeet.com)

[www.facebook.com/groups/ToledoRCSwapMeet/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/ToledoRCSwapMeet/)

Manufactures, Distributors, and Businesses Welcome!

Questions Contact:

Hank Rauhaus

Phone: 330-419-2029

request info at: [info@toledorcswapmeet.com](mailto:info@toledorcswapmeet.com)

**Premier Sport Center Indoor Flying  
FREE Indoor R/C Swap Meet Day, Thursday,  
March 6th, 2025**

14901 23 Mile Rd, Shelby Twp, 48315

**Buy-Sell-Trade-Connect**

Bring your unwanted Airplanes, Helicopters,  
Quadcopters, Unbuilt Kits, Servos, Motors, Radios,  
Etc.

**TABLES WILL NOT BE PROVIDED**

There is no cost to Buy, Sell, or Trade

Flying is still \$10 for the day (9 a.m. 3 p.m.)

You Don't Have to Fly... Just come in and buy, or  
just say Hi! There's no charge for that!

Have Questions? Contact Mark Kriewall (586)

453-1867 ([justmekribee@yahoo.com](mailto:justmekribee@yahoo.com))

**To change your email address contact Ken Myers at [kmyersefo@mac.com](mailto:kmyersefo@mac.com)**

**The 2025 membership application is available at the club Web site,  
<http://www.midwestrcsociety.org>,  
for downloading with the link on the homepage.**

**Upcoming Events  
Tentative 2025 Midwest Events Schedule**

March 5 - Club Meeting / Mettetal FBO

March 6 - Free Indoor Swap Meet (info in this issue)

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