



**Newsletter of the R/C Barnstormers Model Airplane Club**  
**AMA Charter Club #1725 Website: [www.rcbarnstormers.info](http://www.rcbarnstormers.info)**

**Here is the address for our Facebook Page!**  
<https://www.facebook.com/RCBarnstormersOlathe>

**June 2020**

Next Meeting,

**July 2 – at the Field**

## **Presidents Message**

This is such strange times for everyone, including us who love a simple hobby of building (for me assembling ARFs lol) and flying different types of aircrafts. We are asked to wear our masks in public, stay away from people, and stay indoors unless we have to go out. With both Missouri and Kansas relaxing the order, more people have left their homes hand have gone out and even have gone to restaurants, I know I have. Now with the numbers going up again, we are back to a very tense and many concerns about even going outdoors.

I wanted to let you know that our leaders and health officials are still encouraging us to go out and get exercise but keep socially distancing ourselves. This is good, since our hobby is mostly outdoors. Our hobby will continue to thrive because we can build indoors and still go out and fly our crafts. But we need to remember not everyone is comfortable going out and even going to the field. I would like to encourage all of us to get out and fly but remember to keep a safe distance from each other, unless someone invites you into their 6' radius. This will make sure we can all still use the field and get out and enjoy it.

My final thought that I will leave you with is this. There are many articles being sent out



### **MEETINGS**

**PLACE:** St. Francis  
Episcopal Church, 179th  
and Metcalf

**DAY:** First  
Thursday of Each  
Month

**TIME:** 7:00 p.m.

*Visitors are*

***WELCOME!***

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that many are suffering from depression or anxieties due to the unrest in the United States as well as the pandemic. The best way to combat this is to interact with each other in a safe distance and do things you enjoy, such as flying something you build, or assembled. So, get out and enjoy the field, it is in great shape and we are lucky to have such a fine flying site.

Your President,  
Kevin  
**Kevin Schmidt, *President***

## May is Dues Month

Bring your Dues to the next Meeting, Thursday Night at the field, or Make checks for \$50 payable to: RC Barnstormers  
And send to:

Pat McGhee  
11579 W. 177th Terr  
Overland Park, KS. 66221

## Events Schedule

(Note: R/C Barnstormer Special Events are Highlighted)

July 11&12 - Pattern Contest-KCRC Field

August 15 – National Model Aviation day-  
KCRC Field

Sept. 5 Warbird Fun Fly- KCRC Field

October 24 – Toys For Tots – KCRC field

## Members

Since the Last meeting we have one new Associate Member: **Jack Morris**, and son Adrian, 4025 Locust Ave, Kansas City, KS 66106 Ph. 913-530-1860 E-mail: [dnbyggyrer@gmail.com](mailto:dnbyggyrer@gmail.com) AMA # 1051259

The following Members have renewed for 2020! **Tim Gastinger; Gary Harshman; Jerry**

**Davidson; Mark Bare; Mike Bare; Steve Brown; Pat McGhee; Jay Ellis, Paul Howard, Chris Thurmond, Ralph Brown Charles Swain, Steve Helsper, Keith Baker, Wade Axman, Jeff Rusk, Robert Becker, Steve Milam, Carl Melin, Troy Hamm, Jim Frickey, Cecil Davis, Wade Axman, Steve Helsper, Jeffrey Rusk, Kurt Becker, Keith Baker, Don Kuehn and Bill Payne**

## RC BARNSTORMERS' JUNE MINUTES

JUNE 4, 2020 @ 7pm  
President: Kevin Schmidt, presiding  
Members Present: 15

### Secretary's Report – Larry J. Mowrey

Motion to accept by Steve Milam.

Seconded by Gary Gasser. Approved.

### Treasurer's Report – Bill Payne

Motion to accept from Steve Milam.

Seconded by Gary Gasser. Approved.

### Old Business:

**Pattern Practice, June 20-21:** Vince Bortone. Training session will take place if the weather permits.

(Note: Cancelled due to the weathermen declaring that it will rain all day – and it didn't rain at all. As a result of that, no one came.)

**Barnstormers Quickee Races:** Gordon McWilliams. Has been cancelled for this year.

**Credit Card/Debit Card:** Pat McGhee. Pat is working on getting the club a credit card.

**Solar Panel** on the original charger needs to be repaired. Carl and Steve will work on it.

**Field Fertilization:** Gary Gasser. Need to get the fertilizer down.

**AMA Membership:** Keep current.

**Dues due in May.** Check/monies go to Bill. *Your dues include at least one trimming of the field.*

### New Business:

**Sanctions:** Need to get them in.

**Float Fly:** Pat McGhee. Pat was expecting 5 pilots – 15 came instead. They

had a great time flying at Miola Lake in Paola.

**Outhouse:** Larry contacted the people with the outhouse and they said that they will replace it. (Note: it has been replaced)

**FAA Rule:** Keep yourself informed by reading the info on the AMA website. Flite Test has a couple of videos on this issue (look them up).

### Model of the Month:



Steve Milam, Smith Miniplane

Respectfully Submitted,  
**Larry Mowrey, Secretary**

## Vice Presidents Report

### Greetings Pilots!

I'm just on from a terrific evening of flying at our field. This really is prime season and the field is so beautiful (thank you Gary and Steve). A small group was there and we fly right up to 9pm. That is about the time the solar lights kick on in the shelter Have you ever seen the sunset over Hillsdale Lake? It can be quite spectacular! So just a reminder, it stays light really late right now and while the temperatures during the day can be quite hot. It normally gets really comfortable in the evenings and of course the winds frequently drop to zero.

Summer evenings are my favorites at RC Barnstormers Field. Grab an airplane or three and join me!!

Mike

**Mike Bare, Vice President**

## HOBBY HAVEN NOW OPEN

Hobby Haven opened for business again on May 11th. It is important that we all support Hobby Haven, one of the few hobby shops still in business to support our hobby. It is difficult for local hobby shops to compete these days. It has been especially difficult time for all small businesses during this Covid- 19 crisis. Brian has been great to support the R/C Barnstormers over the years and he deserves our support. Remember if he doesn't have what you need he can probably get what you need within a few days.

## Safety Officer

We all know that flying radio control airplanes involve things that can hurt you from the knives and saws that we use during the construction of the models to the spinning propellers as we are preparing to fly them.

There are a number of other times that you can be injured in this hobby. Everyone realizes that batteries can cause fires and explosions so must be handled with care. There are other things that can happen that you wouldn't normally think about. How many times have you stumbled going up or down stairs carrying airplanes or flight boxes? Besides the fact that you might damage your airplane you might break some bones. If you are unlucky enough to trip on the stairs hopefully you trip going up and not down because you won't fall as far while going up the stairs.

Anytime you get in a car to go anywhere there is a chance of having an accident. We all realize there is the possibility of having an accident but also realize that the risk is worth taking. Once we get to the field there are things like an out of control airplane hitting you, getting stung by a bee, or even getting overheated and suffering heat stroke.

Chances are you can think of many other ways to get hurt while partaking in this hobby

but there are ways to get hurt that I bet you never thought about. Have you ever considered that the landing gear on your plane could cause you to get stitches? How about a dog causing you to end up with a cast on your arm while you are at the flying field?

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## DIRECTIONS FOR ALL CONTEST DIRECTORS AND/OR ORGANIZERS OF BARNSTORMER CLUB EVENTS

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- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. The CD/organizer should present a request for the use of the field for their event with a date, rain date, and a proposed budget at least one month prior to the event.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. The CD/organizer should contact the Field Committee (Gary Gasser and Steve Milam) with any request for special field preparations.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. The CD/organizer should contact the previous event CD/organizer about any food or drinks that might have been left over from their event.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. The CD/organizer should try to limit purchases to what is likely to be consumed since there are stores close by if they should run short on anything.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Left over condiments and drinks should **not** be stored in the storage container (hereafter called the "container") because of extreme temperature changes.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. There are at least two (2) propane tanks in the container. If you empty one, have it refilled immediately so that the next event doesn't run out.

The answers or excuses to these last two can be found at the next meeting. Stay safe and I hope to see you there.

Steve  
**Steve Milam, Safety Officer**

Turn that receipt into the Treasurer.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Clean the grill inside and outside after every event. Do this preferably at the end of each day, in case there isn't a second day.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Clean the club utensils after the event before putting them in the tub and then into the container.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Anything removed from the container will need to be returned to the location where it was found in the container. This doesn't mean just inside the container; it means to the shelf where it was found.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. Pickup all trash. Empty all trash cans and take the trash to the maintenance
- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. building trash receptacle. Trash bags are in the container.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. Do not junk up the container. It is not a catch-all for items that maybe somebody else might use in the future.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 13. Whoever organizes an event will be responsible for making sure everything is done. Appoint somebody to take care of it if the CD/organizer is unable to.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 14. Return an itemized report of all expenditures, plus any extra monies and receipts to the treasurer within a week after your event.

**For Sale - Gimbal protectors for your transmitter(s)**

These will protect your joysticks while the transmitter is housed in your transmitter box. \$2 for two of them. Contact Larry J. Mowrey



**FOR SALE**

New decals of the club logo are available in 2.5" and 3" diameter. These are great for putting on your plane, flight box, or vehicle. They will be available at the club meeting for \$2.00 a pair for either size.

**RC BARNSTORMER FIELD TRIMMING LIST FOR 2020**

Please make an honest effort to assist in keeping the field trimmed. If you are unable to trim during your assigned week, please contact another club member and ask them to trade with you. Then let me know so that I can update the list. Also let me know when you have completed your assigned task. If you are needing a phone number and/or an email address for your co-worker, email me at [rcmodeler@gmail.com](mailto:rcmodeler@gmail.com). I will send it to you. Thanks.

| <b>Week Of</b> | <b>Members Trimming</b>                |
|----------------|--|
| July 2         | Ron Lievens and Pat McGhee             |
| July 9         | Gordon McWilliams and Carl Melin       |
| July 16        | John Rayne and Alex Rillos             |
| July 23        | Chris and Alex Routh                   |
| July 30        | Jeff Rusk and Doug Scherrer            |
| Aug 6          | Kevin Schmidt and Art Kittler          |
| Aug 13         | Vince Bortone and Christopher Thurmond |

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| Aug 20  | Caysey Warren and Larry Mowrey  |
| Aug 27  | Jerry Davidson and Keith Baker  |
| Sept 3  | Wade and Austin Axmann          |
| Sept 10 | Dave Boles and Brian Berlin     |
| Sept 17 | Vince Bortone and Chris Bush    |
| Sept 24 | Steven Brown and Cecil Davis    |
| Oct 1   | Jay Ellis and Lee Estingoy      |
| Oct 8   | Tim Gastinger and Kevin Schmidt |
| Oct 15  | Bill Payne and Troy Hamm        |
| Oct 22  | Larry Klusman and Charles Swain |
| Oct 29  | Mark and Mike Bare              |

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