



## Newsletter of the R/C Barnstormers Model Airplane Club

AMA Charter Club #1725

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ACADEMY OF MODEL AERONAUTICS

**FAA-RECOGNIZED IDENTIFICATION AREA**

A FRIA IS A DEFINED GEOGRAPHIC AREA WHERE DRONES CAN BE FLOWN WITHOUT REMOTE ID EQUIPMENT.

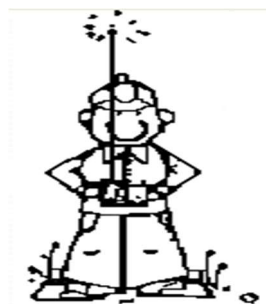
### MEETINGS

**PLACE:** St Francis Episcopal Church, 179<sup>th</sup> and Metcalf, or, Barnstormer Field @ Hillsdale State Park

**DAY:** First Thursday of Each Month

**TIME:** 6:30 p.m.

*Visitors are **WELCOME!***



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### Next Meeting Aug 1st at the Field

### Presidents Message

No update since Kevin is out of town.

Kevin Schmidt, *President*

### Dues Paid for 2024

Nick DeGennaro, Pat Rayne, Mike Bare, Keith Baker, Charles Swain, Larry Klusman, Steve Bernard, John Rayne, Alex Rillos, Art Kittler, Vince Bortone, Kevin Schmidt, Dave Van Unen, Larry Mowrey, Gary Gasser, Pat McGhee, Steve Bernard, Brian Gillcrist, Steve Milam, Jon Felver, Jeff Rusk, Doug Scherrer, Gary Harshman, Jim Frickey, Cecil Davis, Wade Axman, Jerry Davidson, Richard Haskell, Duke Haskell, Brian Berlin, Tim Gastinger, Don Kuehn, Chris Routh. Steve Hucksoll, Troy Hamm, Carl Melin, Lee Estingoy, Chris Bush, Bill Payne.

**RC BARNSTORMER JULY MEETING  
MINUTES  
July 11, 2024**

Presiding: Art Kittler (VP)  
Members Present: 14

**Secretary's Minutes – Larry J Mowrey**

Motion to accept: Steve Milam  
Second: Pat McGhee. Approved.

**Treasurer's Report – Pat McGhee**

Motion to accept: Steve Miliam  
Second: Chris Bush. Approved.

**Old Business:**

Hay: Kevin Schmidt. Looking for someone to purchase the hay. Steve Milam: According to Wade, hay is done on a share-cropping basis. Possibly 4-5 bales per acres. Total of 80 bales. Going price: \$65/bale. Steve proposes that we allow someone to come out and just take the hay, free of charge, for this year. Then next year, we go with 1/4<sup>th</sup> to 3/4<sup>th</sup> profit margin with the hay people fertilizes it. Wade's boss is interested in looking at the hay.  
Steve Miliam moved.  
Don Kuehn seconded. Passed.

Invertor: Pat McGhee. Still not done.  
Cost: \$200. Motion tabled.

Gate Code: Changed on June 1.  
Reminder: **Never give out the gate code; the secretary will give it out.**

**New Business:**

Grill: Art Kittler. Needs to be put away after events.  
Internet: Nick DeGenaro: Presented a proposal to get one installed here at the field. Three-year lease at a minimum.

Respectfully submitted,  
Larry J Mowrey  
Secretary

***Vice President Tidbits:***

Greetings Barnstormers: Yep, it's hot all right. Glad that the winds have calmed down a little to make our flying sessions a little less stressful. Allow me to point to a "republished" article written by Steve Milam regarding dealing with hot temperatures while outdoors. His article also addresses humidity too. Good stuff to review.

Also, a BIG thank you the guys who tackle the mowing chores on a weekly basis! I'd call them out by name, but I'm afraid I'd miss someone. I know there are at least three, and there is usually a rotation to allow a week off. Be sure to THANK THEM for their work. The runways look great. And for the rest of us on the trimming schedule, many thanks to those who showed up on their assigned week to tackle the trimming. Let's keep it up....and the grass height down.

On a similar subject: Steve Milam sent out a notice via email regarding proper trash pickup. Trash that is collected and bagged up is a good thing. When it becomes bad is when the bag is left out unprotected from varmints; in other words, not being placed in one of the metal barrels provided. Steve detailed his experience of finding a loan trash bag torn into and trash littering the area. Then not too much time later, he found a bag yet again not placed into the barrel. Fortunately, this time, varmints hadn't got into the bag yet, so the bag merely needed to be placed in a barrel. Please continue to pick up after yourselves (which I think we do a good job), but if the proverbial lot falls on you to close up a full bag, please place the bag in a trash barrel. Thanks!

Now on to a subject of a different type. October will be upon us before you know it and I'd like for the club members to weigh in on whether we should have the Fly-In on the **first Saturday of October**. Ponder/munch on this and share your thoughts at the meeting. THANKS.

Steve shared that a contract to hay the field for this year and next has been signed! Thanks, Steve for grabbing this proverbial bull by the horns! There's already been hay-related activity in the fields (observed July 26<sup>th</sup>)!

If I don't see you before then, I hope to see you at the meeting and perhaps get some flying in. STAY HYDRATED!

By the way, elections for new club officers will be coming up in the not-too-distant future. If you have a desire to serve in some form of capacity (president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, member-at-large), please consider this opportunity.

Finally, the following article was published a few years ago, but it bears repeating. Thanks again to Steve Milam for his contribution.

Art Kittler, VP

It's getting to be that time of year when we need to start thinking about the heat and how it affects us. We all know that in Kansas the summertime heat plus the humidity can really affect what you feel like. Remember that the heat does not affect everybody the same. One person may be used to the heat and never seem to be bothered by it while the person next to them may be about to collapse.

We spend many hours at the flying field and the heat can sneak up on you with little warning. If you start feeling light-headed or are just not quite with it you should probably get in the shade and push fluids. If you decide to sit in your car with the air conditioning running be sure to tell others so they are aware of what you are doing and can watch over you.

Be aware of what your body is telling you. This is especially true if you are diabetic. You need to be aware of the symptoms of HEAT STROKE and HEAT EXHAUSTION.

**HEAT STROKE** — You will have a rapid, weak pulse and feel nauseous or may be vomiting but you will not be sweating. Your skin may be red, hot and dry and you may have a throbbing headache. You may become unconscious. For heat stroke a person needs immediate medical care. Lay the person down in the shade and cool them off with damp rags until medical help arrives. Depending on the circumstances, it may be better to place them in an air-conditioned car and take them to the hospital in Paola. If possible, have another care giver ride with you to take care of the patient while in route.

**HEAT EXHAUSTION** — You may feel dizzy or faint; you're sweating profusely; your skin is clammy, cool, and pale; you are nauseated or vomiting; you may have muscle cramps; and your pulse is weak and rapid. For a person suffering heat exhaustion you want to move to a cool, shaded place and drink water. Sugary drinks or alcohol are not recommended. Use cool compresses to cool them down.

Note on the included chart how the humidity affects the temperature. You can see that when the temperature is 90 degrees with just 75 percent humidity the heat index is at 109 degrees which is into the danger zone.

Please be safe when you are enjoying this hobby and anytime you are outside in the heat.

Steve Milam

