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SANDERSON FIELD R.C. NEWS



Meeting at Sanderson Field

Thursday June 13th

CLUB MEETING



We have purchased a container to replace the shed at Sanderson. The Port was nice to prepare a spot for it. Aaron packed the gravel with his truck and it was delivered without issue. We will need a work party to build some shelves before we start transfering from the shed.

We still need to get rid of the old port-a-pot. It was laid down after being cleaned so hopfully no one has used it. On Thursday, May 16th, 2024, the President signed the <u>FAA's</u> Reauthorization Bill into law.

AMA began working with Congress as soon as the last bill passed in 2018, advocating to make much needed changes to the law. Although the new bill is not perfect, AMA is happy that we were able to address many of the challenges facing the hobby. Below is a summary of the section on recreational UAS operations:

- Maintains the 400-foot altitude restriction but now allows for a process to request flights above 400 feet in Class G airspace.
- Requires that the FAA
 coordinate with
 Community-Based
 Organizations (CBOs),
 like AMA, to develop
 and implement an
 approval process for
 operations in controlled
 airspace above the UAS
 facility map altitudes.
- Language is included that specifically allows for above 400-foot operations at Class G sites with authorization from the Administrator.
- Better clarifies that Large Model Aircraft (LMA) operations are permitted at fixed sites in both controlled and uncontrolled airspace.
- Requires the FAA to prioritize the FAA-Recognized Identification Area (FRIA) review and adjudication processes.
- Allows for elementary,

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https://www.facebook.com/groups/537341904419915

FAA'S REAUTHORIZATION

secondary, and institutions of higher education to all fly under recreational rules.

 Extends Know Before You Fly Campaign funding through 2028.

Although we don't expect any major issues, there are other portions of the bill that will impact the hobby. Because of the uncertainty, AMA will keep a close eye on the FAA's interpretation and implementation of the following:

- Explore if network Remote ID solutions can satisfy the existing Remote ID rule.
- Develop the Airspace
 Modernization Office
 within the FAA to
 streamline Unmanned
 Aircraft Systems (UAS)
 integration.

 The Administrator shall establish a process to approve and publicly disseminate fixed flying sites.

It's important to remember that these changes will not be immediate. However, AMA has already begun working with the FAA on processes to obtain approval over 400' AGL in uncontrolled airspace and above the UAS Facility Map altitude in controlled airspace. AMA will be sure to keep members informed of any new processes along the way.

AMA will continue to advocate on behalf of the modeling community to streamline processes and reduce many of the burdens facing the hobby. Winter build challenge Saturday is June 1st and general fly-in Sunday June 2nd both with tailgate swap meets. The long term forecast is looking good for both days, keep your fingers crossed!

The Port-a-pot has been moved to Hunters. I believe we still need someone to haul off the old one. It has been cleaned.

The winter war bird flyin has been scheduled for October 26th

Dues are \$75 if paid before January 1st, \$100 Thereafter.

If you join in the last quarter of the year your membership is good for the following year.

If you pay by mail send your dues, proof of 2024 AMA membership

AND A SELF ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE TO THE TREASURER:

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STACY MYERS 90TH BIRTHDAY

Stacy Myers, a charter member of the Sanderson Field RC flyers, recently had his 90th birthday. When he started flying at Sanderson field there were no fences and the Port told him to go ahead and fly there, no problem. Some how the State got involved so they started charging us lease hold tax. It's gone up ever since!

Stacy has been a huge part of the club for many years and has taught many people the in's and out's of flying model aircraft myself included!

Stacy served in the airforce as a crew chief and was an appliance repairman for a local appliance store and went into business for himself when the store closed.

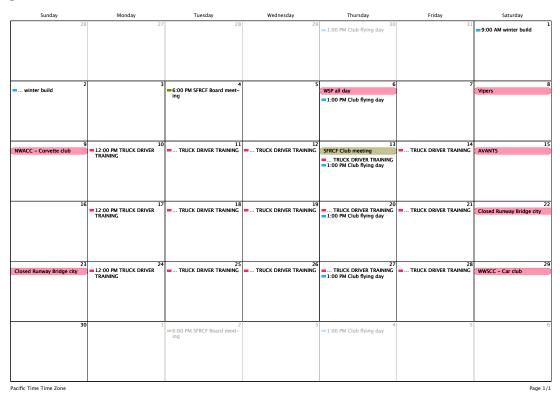
I remember Charlie Nokes bringing an electric airplane to the field one day. It didn't have enough power to take off by itself and had to be thrown to fly. Stacy said, I'll NEVER HAVE ONE OF THOSE!



Happy Birthday Stacy!



June 2024



Thursdays are ALWAYS weather permitting, check the weather at the field before leaving Sold days can change, check out the Port's website before heading to the field.

https://portofshelton.com/inactive-runway-users-group/

Club Scheduled Events for 2024

Event dates in black are scheduled. Events in gray are complete.

January 1st	. First fly of the year - Sanderson Field - 10:00am
June 1st	. Winter build challenge - Sanderson Field- 9:00am
June 2nd	. General fly-in - Sanderson Field 9:00am
July 20th-21st	. Tom Strom Sr. memorial fly-in Sanderson Field
August ??th	. Dawn Patrol - Hunter farms field
October ?th-?th	. Oysterfest- Sanderson Field
	. Warbird fly-in - Sanderson Field
December 12th	. Christmas party

Dues \$75 before Jan 1st and \$100 on or after

Check out our web site at http://sfrcf.quintex.com