



# PLANE TALK NEWS

The Des Moines Modelaires Newsletter

## A message from incoming president Jim Porter:

January 1, 2016 starts yet another new journey for me. After returning from an interesting period living in Germany, little did I know that I'd end up the president of a 140 member club with an eighty year history/tradition in Des Moines Iowa. It's yet another adventure in aeromodeling in a lifetime filled with a variety of aeromodeling challenges and adventures. I'm hoping to make this venture as much fun as the previous ones.

As to my goals for the year as your President:

**First**, I'll try to maintain the standard established by past President Allen.

**Second**, I believe the main goal of the club should be to maintain our superb flying fields while having the maximum amount of fun - and that will be my main goal for the coming year.

**Third**, with the officers, board of directors and membership help I hope we can devise a responsive to allow everyone the opportunity to have input into the important decisions governing our club and flying fields.

I'd like to thank all those who took the time to attend the last meeting and participate in the election process. I'm not sure that I'll thank any of you for electing me - I'll hold that until the end of the year. :-)

Enjoy the Holidays with your family and friends.

I hope to see you all at the Freeze Fly at West Field on January 1.

**Jim Porter**

**If you would like to provide possible content for the newsletter, email to:**

[Modelaires.RC.Newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:Modelaires.RC.Newsletter@gmail.com)

I am happy to include links to flight videos you may have posted, description of club events, photos of your projects, or technical articles and reviews you have written. *Dave Beecher*

**Des Moines Modelaires General Membership Meeting, December 1, 2015 Summary of the meeting (full notes by Keith Page, Secretary)**

General Membership Meeting, Dec 1, 2015 30 members present.

Bill Garrett opened the meeting in Alan's absence at 7:00 PM.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted. The treasurers report was presented and accepted.

Denis Roy made a motion that the new Board should review the By-Laws and attempt to allow absentee voting if possible. Seconded and vote passed.

Voting for the new officers was initiated. Votes were tabulated and counted by Scott Johnson and Pat Nestvedt.

Results of the election as follows:

Jim Porter as President, Bill Garret as Vice President, Denis Roy as Treasurer, John Faust as Secretary.

Directors: 2 yrs: Ray Pick , Ed Niles, LaVerne Sanders, 1 yr: Karl Schultz

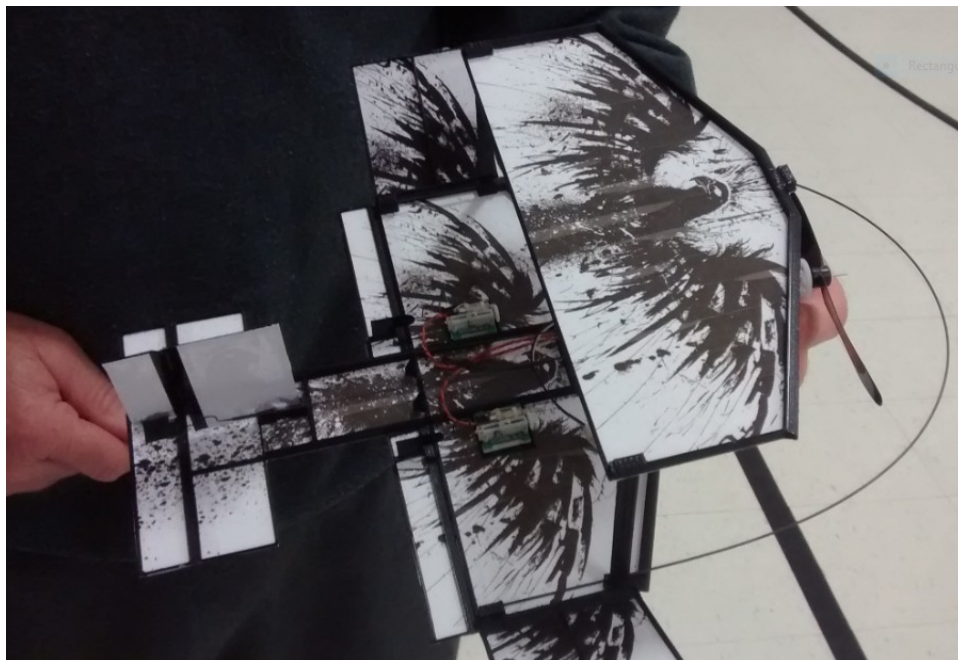
Tim Nissen and Dave Heuton remain as current Directors, and Alan Annear will serve as (Past President) Director for 1 year.

Meeting as adjourned at 8:15 PM.

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**Builders Corner**

LaVerne's latest project -a 3-D printed frame aircraft – it flew but needed a more powerful motor.



The cooler weather makes it more difficult to get to the field and fly. Many take this season to do repairs on existing models, build an aircraft from a kit, assemble and set up an ARF, tune up your helicopter, or get that new foamie assembled and tested.

You can even purchase kits and ARFs from and Iowa based company, SIG.



If you find yourself needing a new project there are many places to purchase them, our local store, Hobby Haven, is very convenient. Lots of choices:



## Indoor Flying February 13, 2016



The club has reserved the gym at the Catholic Church in Ankeny all day for club indoor flying. Perhaps you will have received a small model aircraft suitable for indoor flying as a holiday gift, or failing that, bought one for yourself.

See the following short video for some indoor flying: <https://youtu.be/owHxJhHd4nl>

### Special Events

2015 saw many special events at both fields, including training nights, jets, biplanes, gliders, gassers, helicopters and many other fun flies. To make these events happen a club member needs to volunteer to be in charge of the event. Although there are suggested dates for the events, the volunteer event director picks the actual date and location. The director will give a pilots briefing at the start of the event to include safety information. He can arrange for lunch at the event as an option, and decide how to charge for lunch. The member volunteer also can set the hours for the event, and which aircraft the event is targeted for. Consider not making the aircraft requirement overly restrictive – for example for a gasser fly you could include glow power for those pilots without a gas powered model. If you wish to run an event for more than one day it needs to be reviewed by the board. If you decide to volunteer to run an event, let me know the date, time, location, and other details.

The club is fortunate that Matt Coleman, Duane Vierling, Denis Roy, John Faust have already volunteered to run events in 2016. Events that are in *italics* have a suggested date but need a club member to volunteer to run the event. The event won't happen without a volunteer director.

## 2016 Calendar of Events

(Dates and locations are subject to change)

*Events in italic are tentative*

- Club Meetings are generally the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at alternating flying fields during the flying season
- Coffee Socials are generally the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month
- Fun Flies are generally the Saturday after a club meetings during the flying season

January 1, 2016 - Penguin Fly/Club Meeting (West Field 9am)	<b>Fun Fly Information:</b>
January 9 – Coffee Social (West Field 10am)	April 9 - Cub and High-wing Fun Fly – West Field, John Faust
February 13, 2016 - Indoor Flying (Catholic Church 9am)	<i>May 7 – Multi-wing Fun Fly</i>
February 20, 2016 – Coffee Social (West Field 10am)	June 11 - EDF/Jets Fun Fly, EPJ, Dion Kintz
March 12 - Coffee Social (West Field 10am)	<i>July 9 – Warbird Fun Fly</i>
April 5 - Club Meeting (West Field 7pm)	<i>August 6 – Electric Fun Fly</i>
April 9 - Coffee/Cub and High-wing Fly	September 10 – Sailplane Fun Fly – West Field, Dave Beecher
May 3 - Club Meeting (EPJ 7pm)	September 15-18 - 3D Harvest Huck – EPJ, Duane Vierling
May 7 <i>Multi-wing Fun Fly (TBA)</i>	August 26, 27, 28 – Heli Fly EPJ (Matt Coleman)
May 14 – Coffee Social (West Field 10 am)	<i>October 8 - Any Size Warbird Fun Fly</i>
June 6 - Training Program (EPJ 6pm)	October ? - Gasser Fun Fly, West Field, Denis Roy
June 7 - Club Meeting (West Field 7pm)	
<i>June 11 - EDF/Jets Fun Fly (TBA)</i>	
June 11 – Coffee Social (West Field 10 am)	
June 13 - Training Program (EPJ 6pm)	
June 20 - Training Program (EPJ 6pm)	
June 27 - Training Program (EPJ 6pm)	
July 5 - Club Meeting (EPJ 7pm)	
July 9 – Warbird Fun Fly	
July 9 – Coffee (West Field 10am)	
July 11 - Training Program (EPJ 6pm)	
July 18 - Training Program (EPJ 6pm)	
July 25 - Training Program (EPJ 6pm)	
August 1 - Training Program (EPJ 6pm)	
August 2 - Club Meeting (West Field 7pm)	
<i>August 6 - Electrics Fun Fly</i>	
August 13 – Coffee & (West Field 10am)	
August 15 - Training Program (EPJ 6pm)	
August 13 – National Model Aviation Day	
August 17 - Training Program (EPJ 6pm)	
August 22 - Training Program (EPJ 6pm)	
August 26, 27, 28 – Heli Fly EPJ	
August 29 - Training Program (EPJ 6pm)	
September 6 - Club Meeting (EPJ 7pm)	
September 10 – Sailplane Fun Fly West Field	
September 10 – Coffee Social (West Field 10am)	
September 15-18 - 3D Harvest Huck (EPJ)	
October 4 - Club Meeting (West Field 7pm)	
<i>October 8 - Any Size Warbird Fun Fly</i>	
October 8 – Coffee/Pot Luck	
October ? Gasser Fun Fly	
<i>October ? - Fall Auction - (Catholic Church)</i>	
November 1 - Club Meeting (EPJ 7pm)	
November 12 – Coffee Social (West Field 10am)	
December 6 - Club Meeting and Elections (TDB- 7pm)	
December 10 – Coffee Social (West Field 10am)	

## 2016 Des Moines Modelaires Membership Application

(Please Print Clearly)

**You must be a member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) before joining the Des Moines Modelaires**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ AMA #: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Day: Mo \_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(Used for club newsletters and club informational emails)

- **Flying Membership:** Must have a current AMA membership and Club membership. Can fly at both our fields, be a club officer / board member, vote concerning club business, take part in all club activities, and receive club newsletter via email.

*Annual Dues are: Adult (19 & over at any time during 2016) \$100.00, Youth (18 & under) \$15.00. Dues are in effect from January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>, after July 31<sup>st</sup>, adult flying membership dues are \$60.00 through December 31<sup>st</sup>.*

Send this membership application, a copy of your AMA membership card, and check to:

Denis Roy  
1872 NW 150<sup>th</sup> Ct.  
Clive, IA 50325  
(515) 249-1617  
Email: DenisRoy81@gmail.com

Please make checks payable to: Des Moines Modelaires

### **Why joining the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) is so important.**

The AMA provides a wealth of information about our wonderful hobby along with their magazine, Model Aviation. For yours, and the clubs protection, the AMA also provides member insurance benefits: \$2.5 million liability umbrella, \$25,000 medical coverage, and \$1,000 fire and thief coverage. Please go to [www.modelaircraft.org](http://www.modelaircraft.org) to join the AMA and to learn more about the benefits of AMA membership and their insurance coverage.

## Club Officers

<b>President</b>	Jim Porter *	(515) 986-0512 airporter96@gmail.com
<b>Vice President</b>	Bill Garrett **	(515) 473-1488 billg@sprayers.com
<b>Secretary</b>	John Faust**	(515) 771-3866 faustj@q.com
<b>Treasurer</b>	Denis Roy *	(515) 249-1617 DenisRoy81@gmail.com

<b>Board Members</b>	Alan Annear *	raannear@gmail.com
	Dave Heuton *	dcheuton@aol.com
	Ed Niles**	edniles32@yahoo.com
	Tim Nissen *	nissentimothy@mchsi.com
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\* Term expires on December 31, 2016

\*\* Term expires on December 31, 2017

### Public Relations Officer

Dave Beecher - [db500\\_1999@yahoo.com](mailto:db500_1999@yahoo.com) or (515) 661-2456

### Safety Officers

**EPJ** – Dion Kintz

**West Field** – John Faust

<b>Membership</b>	Denis Roy 1872 NW 150 <sup>th</sup> Ct Clive, Iowa 50325 (515) 249-1617 DenisRoy81@gmail.com
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<b>Newsletter</b>	Dave Beecher <a href="mailto:db500_1999@yahoo.com">db500_1999@yahoo.com</a>
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## Club Training Team

If you are interested in learning to fly please contact any one of these fine instructors

Denis Roy	249-1617	<a href="mailto:DenisRoy81@gmail.com">DenisRoy81@gmail.com</a>	Airplane	
Jim Lewis	289-1144	<a href="mailto:clone2tb@gmail.com">clone2tb@gmail.com</a>	Airplane	
Tim Nissen	964-9307	<a href="mailto:nissentimothy@mchsi.com">nissentimothy@mchsi.com</a>	Airplane	
Doug Griffith	480-1585	<a href="mailto:duggriff@yahoo.com">duggriff@yahoo.com</a>	Airplane	Mode 1 & 2
Kelly Brown	494-4884	<a href="mailto:kbrown@dwx.com">kbrown@dwx.com</a>	Helicopter	

## Our Field Locations:

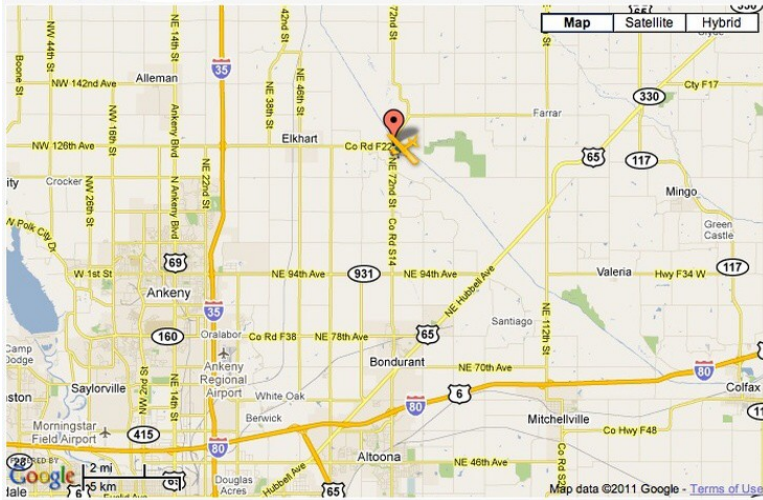
### EPJ

#### E. Paul Johnson Field (EPJ)

12559 NE 72nd St, Polk County, Iowa (East of Elkhart, Ia.)

Latitude: **41.47 25 N**

Longitude: **93.27 51 W**



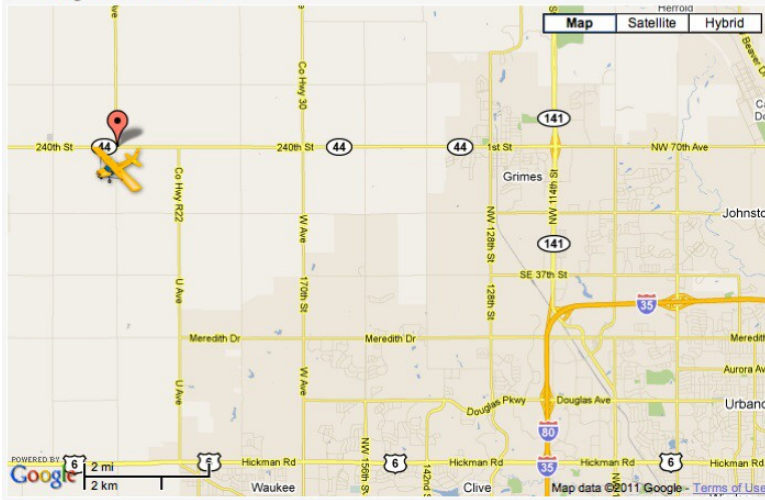
## West Field

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T Avenue (West of Grimes, Ia., 1/4 mi. S of Hwy. 44)

Latitude: **41 40 51 N**

Longitude: **93 54 45 W**



## The Des Moines Modelaires

- We fly radio controlled model airplanes, helicopters, and quad-copters at our two private flying fields
- We hold monthly meetings generally the first Tuesday of each month
- We produce a monthly newsletter for our members and the general public
- We sponsor several fun flies during the year
- We will demonstrate our hobby at events when safety can be maintained and there is adequate room to fly
- We sponsor several swap meets during the year
- We conduct free pilot training programs and have volunteer trainer pilots