

PLANE TALK NEWS

The Des Moines Modelaires Newsletter

President's Message

* We seem to be running behind in the receipt of membership dues. To date we only have 84 paid members. We MUST have at least 115 paid members to break even. If we don't reach this number soon we're looking at either a dues increase or a serious discussion as to how we can support two flying fields.

As part of this, I've been told we have a number of 'former' members flying at our fields without a current/valid Modelaires membership. One of the field rules requires every member to display their current membership card somewhere on their person. If you don't see this please ask to see their current card. If they can't produce it they can't fly. Flying without a valid membership card places the club in a risky position as at that point we have no insurance to cover ANY accident, whether by the offending flier or any other flier at the field.

A valid membership is more than paying your dues. A valid membership also requires both an AMA license and a FAA registration valid through the end of this year. If you don't have a 2017 Modelaires membership card it's because you either have not paid your dues or presented proof of the proper AMA and FAA status.

* The last indoor event was well attended. There was never a time where things got too crowded, but there were certainly a lot of planes flown. Thanks to Denis Roy for hosting this and the last indoor event. It takes Denis a fair amount of effort to set up and tear down for this event.

* If you were wondering why no notice of a board meeting was distributed it was because we decided that there was nothing we needed to discuss.

Jim Porter

March 2017 MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

- Meeting was called to order at 1:00 with 19 members present.
- Both the meeting minutes and the Treasurer's reports were read and approved.
- No old business was discussed.
- Jim Porter asked about the planning for the Huckfest. There was a discussion about what kind of event it would be and also some conversation about the purpose of the event. Tim Nissen talked about the need to get more club members involved. Tim will keep working on the event.
- Allan reported that the discussion forums had been added to the web site.
- Meeting was adjourned at 1:30

Submitted by *John Faust*

Bylaw Proposed Changes

Please see below a proposed addition to the club bylaws. This is an additional article, and other changes are just in renumbering of subsequent articles.

Article IX

Membership revocation / Expulsion from the Club

Revocation of membership or expulsion from the club may happen if a member repeatedly violates safety rules of the club. They may also be expelled or have their membership revoked if they participate in an illegal activity (as defined by Iowa law) at either of the Club's fields or while participating in a Modelaires event at another location.

When a violation occurs, the Board shall be informed immediately and a Board decision regarding the matter will be made. The offending member and other witnesses shall present their statements of the incident prior to the Board making its ruling. This decision will then go to the General Membership for a vote to either accept or reject the Board's ruling.

Des Moines Modelaires

April 2017 Bylaw Vote Ballot (Addition of Article IX, Membership Revocation / Expulsion from the Club)

You can vote in person at the club meeting on April 4, 2017 at West Field or
vote by mail by completing this ballot and sending it to:

John Faust
Des Moines Modelaires Bylaw Vote Ballot
1269 17th
West Des Moines, IA 50265

**Your ballot must arrive in John's mail box by Monday April 3, 2017 to be counted. Voting by
email will not be counted.**

Your Name: _____ AMA#: _____
Please Print Clearly Please Print Clearly

Select **one** of the Following Votes on the Proposed Bylaw Change:

_____ Yes (to Update the Bylaws as Proposed)

_____ No (do not make the proposed Bylaw Update)

_____ Abstain

Member Signature

Date

On-line Discussion Forums Added to Modelaires Website

I created some discussion forums for the club. They are accessible through our website. Persons interested in using the forums must register on the forum site and then log in. The forum categories that are ready for use are:

Des Moines Modelaires information
Electric Aircraft
Nitro Engines
Gasoline Engines

EDF and Turbine Aircraft
3D Aircraft
Warbirds
WWI Aircraft

If someone desires another forum topic, they need to contact me and I will create the category. (Alan Annear raannear@gmail.com). I certainly hope that club members use the forums as they could be a great source of information and assistance to those with questions. **Alan**

Upcoming Events

- April 4 - Club Meeting (West Field 7pm)
- April 8 - Coffee Social and High-wing Fly (John Faust) (West Field 10am – 2pm)
- May 2 - Club Meeting (EPJ 7pm)
- May 6 Multi-wing Fun Fly (Alan Annear – West Field 10am – 2pm)
- May 13 – Coffee Social (West Field 10 am)
- June 5 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
- June 6 - Club Meeting (West Field 7pm)
- June 10 – Coffee Social (West Field 10 am)
- June 12 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)

If you are an event coordinator I would be happy to run a poster or other advertisement for your event, just email it to me. If you would like to add an event check with the board, and let me know when it is approved. If you would like to provide possible content for the newsletter, email to:

DB500_1999@yahoo.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. Let me know if any corrections in dates or contact information are needed. *Dave Beecher*



AMA Foundation to host inaugural jet rally

The AMA Foundation will be hosting its inaugural AMA Foundation for the Future Jet Rally, August 24-27 in Ottumwa, IA. This event will be held in conjunction with the annual Fly Iowa event hosted by the Ottumwa Regional Airport on a 100 x 3,500-foot runway closed to full-scale aircraft for the weekend. Register now and save



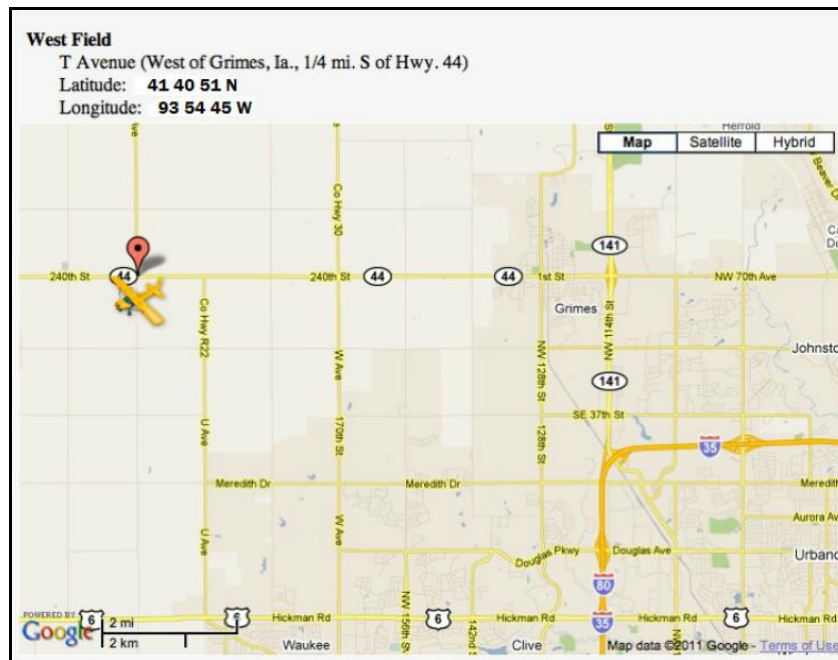
Have you ever wanted to learn to fly Radio

Controlled (RC) Aircraft? If so, come to our West Field (just west of Grimes) on Monday evenings

We hold **free** public training at our West Field every Monday beginning Monday June 5th through Monday August 28th. If you are over 14 years old you are welcome to attend this program for up to three evenings. Club instructors and equipment will be available from 6pm until dark on days conducive for flying. You will be able to actually fly our training aircraft and learn about our club and the best equipment options if you do decide to continue flying. Flying RC aircraft often turns into a lifelong hobby and is a wonderful way to meet new people who also love to fly.

Our West Field Instructors are:

Denis Roy	DenisRoy81@gmail.com	249-1617
Dave Beecher	db500_1999@yahoo.com	661-2456
Pat Nestvedt	plnest@hotmail.com	201-8112
Scott Leonard	scott@sjleonard.com	494-2011



2017 Calendar of Events

(Dates and locations are subject to change)

- **Club Meetings are generally the 1st Tuesday of the month at alternating flying fields during the flying season**
 - **Fun Flies are generally the Saturday after a club meetings during the flying season**
 - **Coffee Socials are generally the 2nd Saturday of the month**
- January 1, 2017 - Penguin Fly/Club Meeting 11 am (EPJ 9am)
 - January 14 – Coffee Social (West Field 10am)
 - February 4 - Indoor Flying and Club Meeting (Catholic Church Flying 9am, Club Meeting 1pm)
 - February 11 – Coffee Social (West Field 10am)
 - March 11 – Coffee Social (West Field 10am)
 - March 18 - Indoor Flying (Catholic Church Flying 9am, Club Meeting 1pm)
 - April 4 - Club Meeting (West Field 7pm)
 - April 8 - Coffee Social and High-wing Fly (John Faust) (West Field 10am – 2pm)
 - May 2 - Club Meeting (EPJ 7pm)
 - May 6 Multi-wing Fun Fly (Alan Annear – West Field 10am – 2pm)
 - May 13 – Coffee Social (West Field 10 am)
 - June 5 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
 - June 6 - Club Meeting (West Field 7pm)
 - June 10 – Coffee Social (West Field 10 am)
 - June 12 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
 - June 17,18 – Flylow Jet Fly (Dion Kintz - EPJ)
 - June 19 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
 - June 26 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
 - TBD – Civil Air Patrol (West Field)
 - July 3 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
 - July 8 – Warbird Fun Fly (Ray Pick – EPJ)
 - July 10 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
 - July 11 - Club Meeting (EPJ 7pm)
 - July 15 – Coffee (West Field 10am)
 - July 17 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
 - July 24 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
 - July 31 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
 - August 1 - Club Meeting (West Field 7pm)
 - August 5 - Electrics Fun Fly (Jim Porter – West Field 10am – 2pm)
 - August 7 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
 - August 12 – Coffee & (West Field 10am)
 - TBD – National Model Aviation Day (Alan Annear – West Field 9am – 2pm)
 - August 14 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
 - August 21 - Training Program (West Field)
 - August 25,26,27 – Mid West Chopper, (Matt Coleman - EPJ)
 - August 28 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
 - September 5 - Club Meeting (EPJ 7pm)
 - September 9 – Coffee Social (West Field 10am) Sailplane Fun Fly (Dave Beecher - West Field 10am – 1pm)
 - September 15,16,17 Harvest Huck – Fly anything you want (Tim Nissen – EPJ)
 - October 3 - Club Meeting (West Field 7pm)
 - October 7 - Any Size Warbird Fun Fly (Ray Pick – EPJ)
 - October 14 – Club Auction
 - October 21 – Coffee/Pot Luck / Gasser Fun Fly (Alan Annear / Denis Roy – West Field 10am – 2pm)
 - November 7 - Club Meeting (EPJ 7pm)
 - November 11 – Coffee Social (West Field 10am)
 - December 5 - Club Meeting and Elections (Jim Porter's Home- 7pm)
 - December 9 – Coffee Social (West Field 10am)
- **Fun Fly Information:**
 - April 8 – High-wing Fly (John Faust - West Field 10am – 2pm)
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2017 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 #: _____ Birth Day: Mo ____ Day ____ Year ____

AMA #: _____ AMA Expiration Date: _____

FAA #: _____ FAA Expiration Date: _____

If you plan to fly any aircraft over 0.55 lbs.

Email Address: _____

(Used for club newsletters and club informational emails)

You must have a current AMA membership and FAA Registration valid through the year of membership to be a Des Moines Modelaires club member. If you are flying an aircraft weighing more than 0.55 lbs., it must have an FAA sUAS registration number affixed to it.

Annual Dues are: Adult (19 & over at any time during 2017) \$100.00, Youth (18 & under) \$15.00.

Dues are in effect from January 1st through December 31st, after July 31st, adult membership dues are \$60.00 through December 31st.

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

Denis Roy

1872 NW 150th 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 club's 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 to join the AMA and to learn more about the benefits of AMA membership and their insurance coverage.

Club Officers

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

Board Members	Alan Annear *	raannear@gmail.com
	Dave Heuton *	dcheuton@aol.com
	Ed Niles**	edniles32@yahoo.com
	Tim Nissen *	nissentimothy@mchsi.com
	Ray Pick **	rpick37681@aol.com
	LaVerne Sanders**	ldsanders2807@mchsi.com

** Term expires on December 31, 2017

* Term expires on December 31, 2018

Public Relations Officer

Dave Beecher - db500_1999@yahoo.com or (515) 661-2456

Safety Officers

EPJ – TBD

West Field – John Faust

Membership	Denis Roy 1872 NW 150 th Ct Clive, Iowa 50325 (515) 249-1617 DenisRoy81@gmail.com
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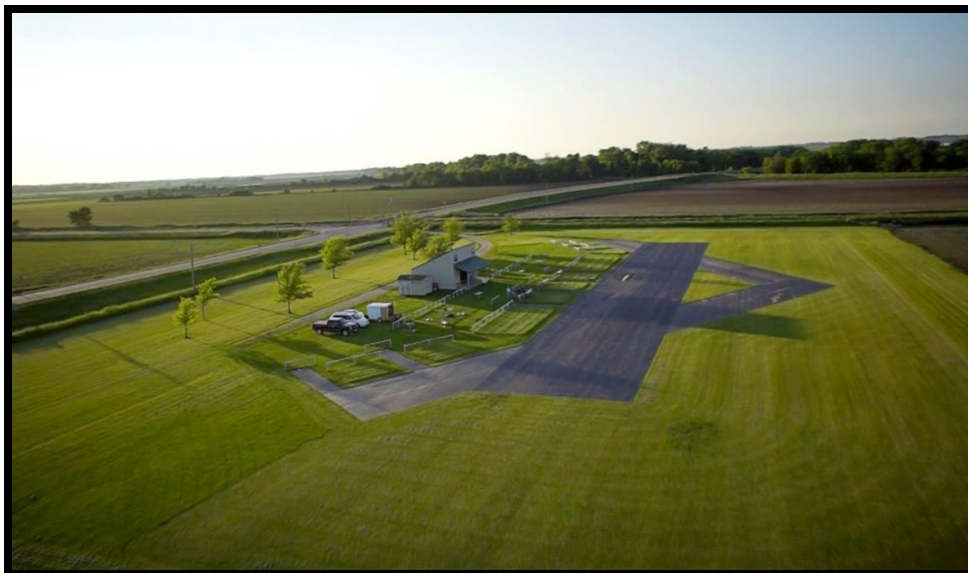
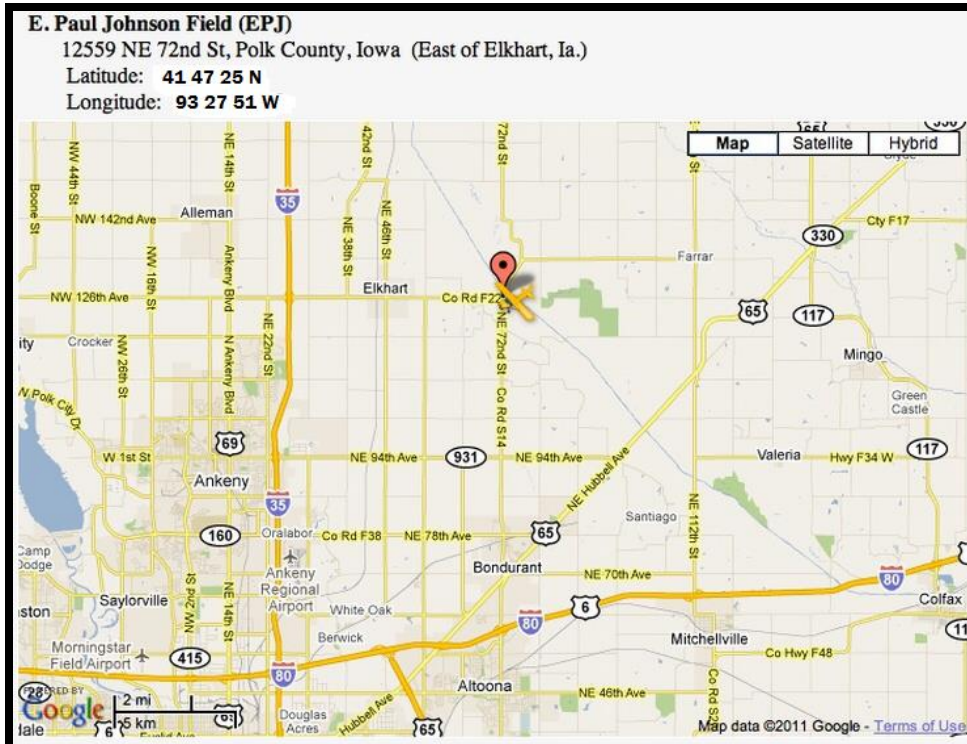
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Club Training Team

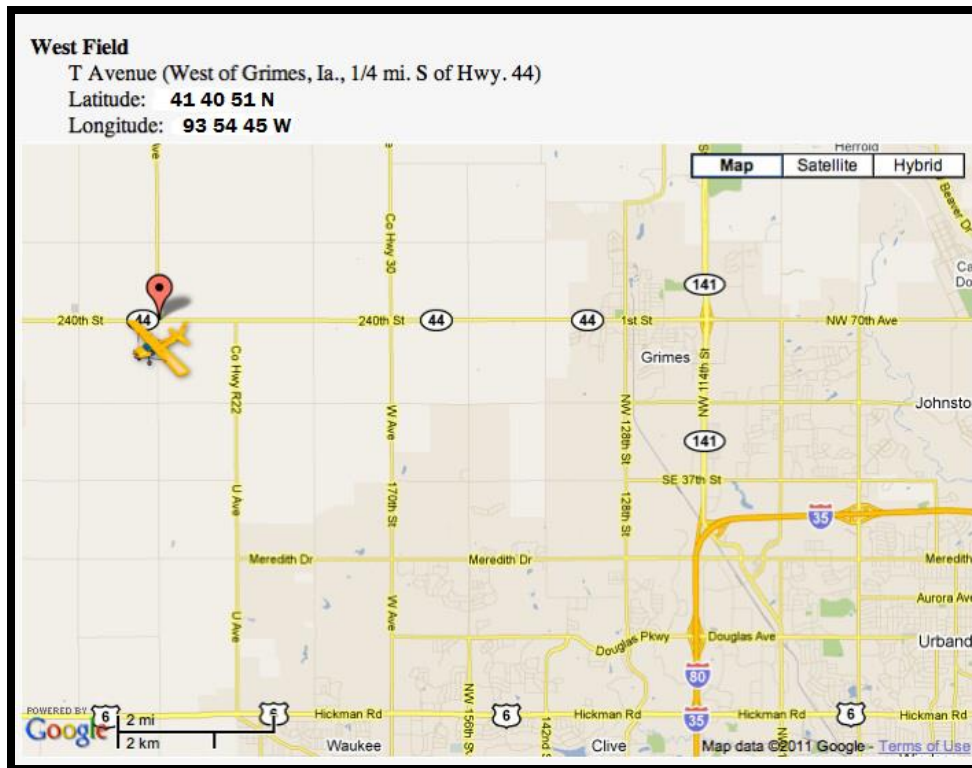
If you are interested in learning to fly please contact any one of these fine instructors

Denis Roy	249-1617	DenisRoy81@gmail.com	Airplane (West Field)
Dave Beecher	777-1665	db500_1999@yahoo.com	Airplane (West Field)
Pat Nestvedt	222-1987	plnest@hotmail.com	Airplane (West Field)
Jim Lewis	289-1144	clone2tb@gmail.com	Airplane (EPJ)
Tim Nissen	964-9307	nissentimothy@mchsi.com	Airplane (EPJ)
Doug Griffith	480-1585	duggriff@yahoo.com	Airplane (EPJ)
Kelly Brown	494-4884	kbrown@dwx.com	Helicopter

Our Field Locations:
EPJ



West Field



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 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