

PLANE TALK NEWS

Des Moines Modelaires

Upcoming Events

Training Night

Each Monday

6PM - Dark

EPJ Field

Club Meeting

July 1st

7:00PM

EPJ Field

EDF Fun Fly

July 5th

10AM - 2 PM

West Field

Cutty's Campground Airshow

July 12th

2 PM

2500 SE 37th St. Grimes

Warbird Fun Fly

July 26th

10AM - 2 PM

EPJ Field



Another month has flown by and we are full swing into the flying season. Both fields are in great shape and have been packed with people on the weekends. It's great to see everyone out there.

Next time you are going out, invite someone new or bring out the family. This hobby is great to share and this way more people can see what RC is all about. Also remember if you know someone that might want to get started into the hobby, we have training nights on Mondays throughout the summer. There is no cost and everyone is welcome to come out and give it a try.

By now I am sure most of you have received several emails from the AMA on the latest FAA rules affecting model aircraft. If you have not, please see the next page and stay in tune with the AMA blog. <http://amablog.modelaircraft.org/amagov>

Protect our hobby and keep it going, get the youth involved.

See you at the field,

Duane

June Meeting No minutes, meeting was canceled do to weather.

Response Needed to FAA Model Aircraft Rule

AMA's Areas of Concern Regarding the FAA Interpretive Rule for Model Aircraft

On Tuesday, June 24th AMA issued a member alert expressing concern over some provisions in the FAA's interpretation of the [Special Rule for Model Aircraft](#) established by Congress in the FAA modernization and Reform Act of 2012. In that alert, we let members know that we would be following up with today's alert that explains AMA's concerns in greater detail.

We need you to take action now and respond by July 25, 2014 to the FAA Interpretation of the Special Rule for Model Aircraft that was released June 23, 2014. The Academy has reviewed the rule and is extremely disappointed and troubled by the approach the FAA has chosen to take in regards to this issue. [FAA's Interpretive Rule](#)

To help you respond to the FAA, we have outlined AMA's major concerns in the bullets below. A more in-depth explanation of our concerns can be found at [AMA's Concerns](#)

- Throughout the rule the FAA takes great latitude in determining Congress' intentions and in placing tightly worded restrictions through its "plain-language" interpretation of the text.
- The FAA uses the plain language doctrine to create a regulatory prohibition of the use of a specific type of technology.
- FAA's overreaching interpretation of the language in the Public Law is evident in the rule's interpretation of the requirement that model aircraft be "flown strictly for hobby or recreational use."
- Although the FAA acknowledges that manned aviation flights that are incidental to a business are not considered commercial under the regulations, the rule states that model aircraft flights flown incidental to a business are not hobby or recreation related.
- The rule overlooks the law's clear intention to encompass the supporting aeromodeling industry under the provision of the Special Rule, "aircraft being developed as a model aircraft." The rule's strict interpretation of hobby versus business puts in question the activities of the principals and employees of the billion dollar industry that supplies and supports the hobby.
- The Public Law states that when model aircraft are, "flown within 5 miles of an airport, the operator of the aircraft (must) provide(s) the airport operator and the airport air traffic control tower (when an air traffic facility is located at the airport) with prior notice of the operation. However the rule indicates that approval of the airport operator is required. Although it is understood that making notification to the airport and/or ATC will open a dialog as to whether the planned activity is safe to proceed, there is no intent in the law that this be a request for permission on the part of the model aircraft pilot.
- The Interpretive Rule establishes new restrictions and prohibitions to which model aircraft have never been subject. This is counter to the Public Law which reads, "The Federal Aviation Administration may not promulgate any rule or regulation regarding a model aircraft or an aircraft being developed as a model aircraft,..." if established criteria are met.
- The Interpretive Rule attempts to negate the entire Public Law by stating, "Other rules in part 91, or other parts of the regulations, may apply to model aircraft operations, depending on the particular circumstances of the operation. This in and of itself makes model aircraft enthusiasts accountable to the entire litany of regulations found in Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations, something that was never intended by Congress and until now never required by the FAA.

How to Respond to the FAA.

All AMA members, family and friends need to take action now to let the FAA know that this rule significantly impacts the entire aeromodeling community and that this community is resolute and committed to protecting the hobby.

There are four methods to submit a comment. Emailing your comment is the fastest and most convenient method. All comments must include the docket number FAA-2014-0396. [Tips for submitting your comments.](#)

Email: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for sending your comments electronically.

Mail: Send Comments to Docket Operations, M-30; US Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, West Building Ground Floor, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

NEWTON SKY KINGS
CLARENCE DAVIDSON MEMORIAL
FUN FLY



Address : 5362 S 48th Ave W
Newton, IA 50208
Intersection of S 48th Ave W and W 54th St S
Any Questions Call BEN 641-780-5141

Time : Set up at 8:30
Flying Starts : After the
parade ends (approximately
10:30)

Date : Friday 7/4/2014

Plan to attend Our Annual 4th of July Fun Fly. We will have concessions available for all your needs as well as all the excitement you could want! All are welcome to fly with current AMA membership. Flying will start after the Newton parade ends and will continue until dusk. Enjoy a nice relaxing day of watching Remote Control airplanes fly!

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MODELAIRES MEMBERSHIP 2014 APPLICATION

NAME _____ PHONE _____
 STREET ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____ AMA NO. _____

IF YOU GO SOMEWHERE ELSE FOR PART OF THE YEAR, GIVE OTHER ADDRESS ON THE BACK AND MONTHS YOU WISH THE NEWSLETTER MAILED TO THAT ADDRESS.

DO YOU HAVE AN EMAIL ADDRESS? PLEASE PROVIDE TO GET YOUR NEWSLETTER AND CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS _____
 IF YOU DO NOT HAVE EMAIL, WE WILL SEND YOUR NEWSLETTER LAND MAIL
MAY WE SHARE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION WITH THE MEMBERSHIP? YES ___ NO ___

YOUR AGE _____ YOUR BIRTH DATE, PLEASE MO. ___ DAY ___ YEAR _____

1. **FLYING MEMBERS:** NEED AN AMA MEMBERSHIP AND MODELAIRE MEMBERSHIP. CAN FLY AT OUR FIELDS, VOTE AND BE AN OFFICER, TAKE PART IN ALL OUR ACTIVITIES, RECEIVE OUR NEWSLETTER.

2. **SUPPORTING MEMBERSHIP:** (NON-FLYING, CAN VOTE, CANNOT BE AN OFFICER) NO AMA REQUIRED, NEED ONLY MODELAIRE MEMBERSHIP. MAY TAKE PART IN ALL OTHER ACTIVITIES, RECEIVE OUR NEWSLETTER.

DUES: ADULT (19 & OVER) \$75, SPOUSE \$20. YOUTH (18 & UNDER) \$5. ADULT PARK FLYER \$30. ADULT FAMILY \$100. AFTER JULY 31, DUES ARE \$40 FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR. DUES COVER JANUARY 1, 2014 TO DECEMBER 31, 2014.

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MAKE CHECKS TO: DES MOINES MODELAIRES ****INCLUDE A PHOTOCOPY OF YOUR 2014 AMA CARD or AMA RECEIPT****

EPJ Field



West Field



Des Moines Modelaires

- We fly radio controlled model airplanes at two private flying fields.
- Our meetings are the first Tuesday of each month and there is a program of flying interest plus show and tell at each meeting.
- Members are mailed a monthly newsletter.
- We have a club Christmas and Awards dinner.
- The club sponsors Fun Flies and Summer Club Family Picnic Flies.
- We help run the SIG Fun Fly at Montezuma Iowa.
- The Modelaires will demonstrate R/C flying anywhere that we have room to safely fly.
- Members present model building and flying programs to groups in this area.
- We hold a spring swap meet and a large fall R/C auction.
- We have a pilot training program with booklet and award a solo certificate to members that we train (FREE) to fly. There are instructors to help you learn to fly Radio Control!
- We are one of the top clubs in America. You must join AMA before you can join the Modelaires.



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