

# Plane Talk News

## The Des Moines Modelaires Newsletter September/October 2019

### President's Message from Scott Leonard

Hello Modelaires!

The past month or so has been great for flying – the weather has been amazing and we've had some great events. The National Model Aviation Day meet at West Field drew quite a crowd and large number of planes. Check out the photos from Mr. Zimmer later in this edition. A big thanks goes out to Alan and his wife Monica for organizing the event and preparing the food.

The Monday night training sessions have also continued to be popular. The instructors are pretty busy the entire evening (usually three of us) with literally a line of students waiting to fly. Membership numbers are up and we believe that's due in large part to the success of the training nights. Because of this popularity (and the increased wear and tear on the trainer planes), the board recently approved an annual budget increase from \$200 to \$500 for the training program. The instructors are already starting to plan for next year – we have several ideas in the works to improve organization and the experience for the students. As always, if you're interested in participating in the training sessions, we're happy to have the help. Just give Denis Roy, Pat Nestvedt or myself a call.



As of this writing, the EPJ runway project is fully underway. Trent Borth and the Boy Scout team removed the old mat this past Thursday, then Trent spent a full day Friday grading. Unfortunately, it was taking longer than anticipated to get the dirt work complete so the installation of the new mat has been postponed to Saturday, September 7 (we might be able to get some work on done on Tuesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> after the club meeting at EPJ). Trent has put a great deal of time and effort in to this and deserves some accolades.

Finally, another quick shout-out. I'd like to thank Bill Gast for bringing out his personal mower to West Field to mow just before National Model Aviation Day. The club Deere was not "running like a Deere" and was out for some repairs. Thanks a ton for doing that Bill – very much appreciated!

See you at the field!

-Scott

## Upcoming Club Events (check web site for possible updates)

- September 3 - Club Meeting (EPJ 7pm)
- September 7 – Coffee Social (West Field 10am) Sailplane Fun Fly (John Faust - West Field 10am – 2pm)
- September 14 - Any Size Warbird Fun Fly (Ray Pick – EPJ)
- September 21 – Fun Fly, Paintball & Raffle (West Field 11 AM)
- September 28 – Mid West Chopper, (Matt Coleman - EPJ)
- October 1 - Club Meeting (West Field 7pm)
- October 12 – Coffee/Pot Luck / Fun Fly & Speed Day (Alan Annear – West Field 10am – 2pm) **(Note Date Change)**
- October 19 – Club Auction **(Note Date Change)**
- November 5 - Club Meeting (Weiss-Merkle Financial 7pm)

## A Few Photos from the In-Progress EPJ Runway Improvement Project







## Model Aviation Day

Model Aviation Day was an enormous success! At one point there were 31 cars in the parking lot.

The Raffle / Auction netted the club \$325. Bob Henderson won the Pulse and Rich Madsen went home with the UMX T-28.

Alan and Monica made a fantastic lunch of pulled pork, potato salad, chips and cookies.

Lots of thanks needs to go out to Alan for hosting this event!

(more photos follow these by Larry Zimmer)









## **Fun Fly, Paintball Shoot and Raffle**

### **For Members only**

at West Field on September 21<sup>st</sup>

10:00a.m. until 3:00p.m.

Raffle at 1:00p.m. You must be present to win.

\$5 for 1 ticket or \$20 for 5 tickets.

Raffle is for a 1.3 meter Eflite Valiant BNF.



**Shooting for 1 hour at 11:00a.m. - 12:00p.m. and 2:00p.m. - 3:00p.m.**

\$1 for 5 shots and \$5 for 30 shots.

**Do not bring your own paintball equipment. You cannot use it.**

See if you can shoot down the airplane and become a legend !



## SPEKTRUM TRANSMITTERS, a possible problem



I recently found that Spektrum recommends that you NOT have the SD card installed in your transmitter while flying. If, for some reason the card has a problem, it's possible for it to affect the transmitter while you are flying. If you are lucky it will first show up as a problem when you turn on the transmitter - a blank or dark screen. Unfortunately, this means that you cannot save any telemetry data after a flight because it's also recommended that you NOT insert OR remove the SD card while the transmitter is on. **Jim Porter**

*In an exchange of emails from club members it seems the problem with SD cards with DX series transmitters may be related to large or corrupt SD cards. (summary by editor)*

## A Little Good News about the 400' Altitude 'Limit'

The following was sent to all AMA Leader Members.  
AMA and the FAA are still discussing options regarding a permanent blanket waiver to operate above 400 feet in Class G airspace. Until this waiver is finalized, continue to operate within AMA safety programming. AMA HQ will update our members when more information is available.



My comments:

AMA safety programming does NOT include an altitude limitation.

As a point of information, **Class G** is completely uncontrolled airspace, and both of the Des Moines Modelaires fields are in class G airspace. **Jim Porter**

## National Model Aviation Day!

Photos by Larry S. Zimmer

August 17<sup>th</sup> I found my way to the West Field about 11am for NATIONAL MODEL AVIATION DAY. There was much activity and many aircraft that I was seeing for the first time! It never ceases to amaze me what different configurations and colors that the members come up with for those beautiful machines. The smell of the food got to me very quickly. Activity slowed around lunch time so I guess the smell got to everyone also? I barely was able to stop with just 16 out of the 80 photos I took. I missed many photo ops as could have taken 100+.

**CAN YOU FIND THE DRAGON FLY? A HINT LOOK ABOVE THE CORN!**























## R/C AUCTION and SWAP MEET SATURDAY OCTOBER 19, 2019

Doors open 8A.M. Swap Meet 8:30A.M. – 10:00A.M.

Auction starts at 10:30AM

WWW.DESMOINESMODELAIRES.COM

### AUCTION INFORMATION

- Buyer & Seller Numbers - \$5 Registration Fee
- To pre-register item(s), send item description and minimum bid to address listed below. Pre-registration forms may be downloaded from the Des Moines Modelaires website (see above).
- Items sold in order of registration
- \$5 minimum (group items accordingly)
- Items with no minimum bid sold to highest bidder
- 10% fee on all items sold (\$2 minimum)
- No "No Sale" fee
- Fast computerized check in and check out
- All items must be removed after the auction
- Accepting Visa & MasterCard Credit Cards – 4% additional fee

### SWAP MEET INFORMATION

- \$10/table
- Setup at 7:30 am
- Non-sold items may be entered in auction
- Send pre-registration to Auction Contact
- Forms can be obtained from the Des Moines Modelaires website.

**FOOD AVAILABLE ON SITE**

**OUR LADY'S IMMACULATE HEART**  
**510 E. 1ST ST**  
**ANKENY, IA. 50021**



**For pre-registration or questions contact:**

Ray Pick  
Modelaires Auction  
2502 SW 38<sup>th</sup> St.  
Ankeny, IA 50023-9332  
(515) 964-1408  
RPICK37681@AOL.COM



## DES MOINES MODELAIRES AUCTION ITEMS

**NOTE:** You will be given an Item Sticker Number. Place the sticker on your item. Write the Item Sticker Number on this form matching the item being sold.

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

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

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

Phone Nbr: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Seller Nbr: \_\_\_\_\_

ITEM NO. \_\_\_\_\_ ITEM DESCRIPTION (brand,color,size,etc.) (50 chars or less – Write 1 character per \_):

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Additional Info (if needed): \_\_\_\_\_

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MINIMUM BID YOU WILL ACCEPT \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Sell if reasonably close to Minimum Bid: Y/N

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Note: Sell if reasonably close to Minimum Bid is up to the discretion of the Auctioneer.



## DES MOINES MODELAIRES R/C-AUCTION/SWAP MEET

### SWAP MEET TABLE REQUEST FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Nbr: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of ROUND Tables: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Send check and form to:

Ray Pick  
Modelaires Auction  
2502 SW 38<sup>th</sup> St  
Ankeny, IA 50023





## **Flying Down South**

**Dar, our southern most member, was doing a little flying at the Keosauqua municipal airport in August. He sends his greetings to the Modelaires members.**

## Learn to Fly RC!

**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 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 through Monday August 31<sup>st</sup>. 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, weather permitting.

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.**



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

Field	Name	Email Address	Phone
West Field	Denis Roy (Airplane)	<a href="mailto:DenisRoy81@gmail.com">DenisRoy81@gmail.com</a>	(515)-249-1617
West Field	Pat Nestvedt (Airplane)	<a href="mailto:plnest@hotmail.com">plnest@hotmail.com</a>	(515) 201-8112
West Field	Scott Leonard (Airplane)	<a href="mailto:scott@sjleonard.com">scott@sjleonard.com</a>	(515) 494-2011

If you would like to have a lesson at our EPJ field, please contact one of these fine instructors for an appointment:

Field	Name	Email Address	Phone
EPJ	Jim Lewis (Airplane)	<a href="mailto:clone2tb@gmail.com">clone2tb@gmail.com</a>	(515) 289-1144
EPJ	Tim Nissen (Airplane)	<a href="mailto:nissentimothy@mchsi.com">nissentimothy@mchsi.com</a>	(515) 975-1091
EPJ	Doug Griffith (Airplane)	<a href="mailto:duggriff@yahoo.com">duggriff@yahoo.com</a>	(515) 480-1585
EPJ	Kelly Brown (Helicopter)	<a href="mailto:kbrown@brownsmedicalimaging.com">kbrown@brownsmedicalimaging.com</a>	(515) 494-4884
EPJ	Matt Coleman (Airplane & Helicopter)	<a href="mailto:colemn615@gmail.com">colemn615@gmail.com</a>	(515) 782-9499



## 2019 Calendar of Events

(Dates and locations are subject to change – check our website for updates)

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

- **January 1, 2019** Penguin fly and Club Meeting (West Field, 9 am, Meeting at 11 am)
- January 12 – Coffee Social (West Field 10am)
- February 9, 2019 - Indoor Flying and Club Meeting (Catholic Church Flying 9 am, Club Meeting 11 am)
- February 16 – Coffee Social (West Field 10am)
- March 9, 2019 - Indoor Flying and Club Meeting (Catholic Church Flying 9 am, Club Meeting 11 am)
- March 16 – Coffee Social (West Field 10am)
- April 2 - Club Meeting (West Field 7pm)
- April 13 - Coffee Social (West Field 10 am)
- April 20 - and High-wing Fly (John Faust) (West Field 10am – 2pm)
- May 7 - Club Meeting (EPJ 7pm)
- May 11 – Coffee Social (West Field 10 am) & Multi-wing Fun Fly (Alan Annear – West Field 10am – 2pm)
- June 3 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
- June 4 - Club Meeting (West Field 7pm)
- June 6-8, EPJ Runway Project (if approved)
- June 10 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
- TBD – Civil Air Patrol Demo (Al Annear - West Field)
- June 15 – Coffee Social (West Field 10 am)
- June 17 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
- June 24 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
- July 1 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
- July 2- Club Meeting (EPJ 7pm)
- July 6 – Civil Air Patrol Event (Al Annear – West Field 1 pm – 5 pm)
- July 8 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
- July 13 – Coffee (West Field 10am)
- July 15 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
- July 20 – Warbird Fun Fly (Ray Pick – EPJ)
- July 22 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
- July 29 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
- August 5 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
- August 6 - Club Meeting (West Field 7pm)
- August 10 - Coffee Social & Summer Fun Fly (Jim Porter – (West Field 10am – 2pm)
- August 12 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
- August 17 – National Model Aviation Day (Alan Annear – West Field 9am – 3pm)
- August 19 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
- August 26 - Training Program (West Field 6pm)
- September 3 - Club Meeting (EPJ 7pm)
- September 7 – Coffee Social (West Field 10am)  
Sailplane Fun Fly (John Faust - West Field 10am – 2pm)
- September 14 - Any Size Warbird Fun Fly (Ray Pick – EPJ)
- September 21 – Fun Fly, Paintball & Raffle (West Field 11 AM)
- September 28 – Mid West Chopper, (Matt Coleman - EPJ)
- October 1 - Club Meeting (West Field 7pm)
- October 12 – Coffee/Pot Luck / Fun Fly & Speed Day (Alan Annear – West Field 10am – 2pm)
- October 19 – Club Auction
- November 5 - Club Meeting (Weiss-Merkle Financial 7pm)
- November 9 – Coffee Social (West Field 10am)
- December 3 - Club Meeting and Elections (Weiss-Merkle Financial - 7pm)
- December 14 – Coffee Social (West Field 10am)
- January 1, **2020** Penguin fly and Club Meeting (West Field, 9 am, Meeting at 11 am)
- February 15, 2020 - Indoor Flying and Club Meeting (Catholic Church Flying 9 am, Club Meeting 11 am)
- March 14, 2020 - Indoor Flying and Club Meeting (Catholic Church Flying 9 am, Club Meeting 11 am)

### Fun Fly Information:

- April 20 – High-wing Fly (John Faust - West Field 10am – 2pm)
- May 11 - Multi-Wing Fun Fly (Alan Annear – West Field 10am – 2pm)
- *TBD – Mid West Chopper, (Matt Coleman - EPJ)*
- June 8 – Fly low Jet Fly (Dave K & Connor J)
- July 6 – Warbird Fun Fly (Ray Pick – EPJ)
- August 10 - Summer Fun Fly (Jim Porter – West Field 10am – 2pm)
- September 7 – Sailplane Fun Fly (John Faust - West Field 10am – 2pm)
- September 14 - Any Size Warbird Fun Fly (Ray Pick – EPJ)
- October 19 – Coffee/Pot Luck / Fun Fly & Speed Day (Alan Annear – West Field 10am – 2pm)

## 2019 Des Moines Modelaires Membership Application

**IMPORTANT:** You must have a current Academy of Model Aeronautics (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.

New Member \_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_ / Adult \_\_\_\_ Youth \_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_

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

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

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

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_

AMA #: \_\_\_\_\_ AMA Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

FAA #: \_\_\_\_\_ FAA Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

(Used for club newsletters and club informational emails)

Flying field (Circle the one that applies). If you plan to fly at both fields, please pick the option that has your primary flying field first:      EPJ                  WEST                  EPJ & WEST                  WEST & EPJ

### Membership Dues

We now accept PayPal for dues payments. Please use the link below, if you are joining / renewing after March or July you can change the dollar amount after clicking the link. Dues are in effect through December 31, 2019.

New Member	Fee	PayPal Link
Adult	\$100 (\$60 after July 31)	<a href="http://www.paypal.me/davekalwishky/100">www.paypal.me/davekalwishky/100</a>
Youth	\$15	<a href="http://www.paypal.me/davekalwishky/15">www.paypal.me/davekalwishky/15</a>
Spouse	\$50	<a href="http://www.paypal.me/davekalwishky/50">www.paypal.me/davekalwishky/50</a>

Renewal	Fee	PayPal Link
Adult	\$100 (\$120 after March 31)	<a href="http://www.paypal.me/davekalwishky/100">www.paypal.me/davekalwishky/100</a>
Youth	\$15	<a href="http://www.paypal.me/davekalwishky/15">www.paypal.me/davekalwishky/15</a>
Spouse	\$50	<a href="http://www.paypal.me/davekalwishky/50">www.paypal.me/davekalwishky/50</a>

Adult - 19 & over at any time during 2019

Youth - 18 & under through December 31, 2019

Send this membership application, a copy of your AMA membership card, FAA registration and check (**made out to Des Moines Modelaires**) to:

**Dave Kalwishky**

4224 Grandview Ave / Des Moines, IA 50317

Cell: (515) 314-7060

Email: dave@kalwishky.com



## 2019 Club Officers

Position	Name	Email Address	Phone
<b>President</b>	Scott Leonard*	scott@sjleonard.com	(515) 494-2011
<b>Vice President</b>	Dave Kalwishky **	dave@kalwishky.com	(515) 314-7060
<b>Secretary</b>	John Faust**	faustj@q.com	(515) 771-3866
<b>Treasurer</b>	Denis Roy *	DenisRoy81@gmail.com	(515) 249-1617

## 2019 Board Members

Name	Email Address	Phone
Alan Annear *	raannear@gmail.com	(515) 491-9039
LaVerne Sanders*	Ldsanders2807@mchsi.com	(515) 745-0305
Jack Kamerick**	jdkamerick@gmail.com	(515) 971-0347
Jim Porter **	airporter96@gmail.com	(515) 986-0512
Jim Myklestad **	jimary69@mediacombb.net	(641) 430 8481
Tim Nissen *	nissentimothy@mchsi.com	(515) 975-1091

\* Term expires on December 31, 2020

\*\* Term expires on December 31, 2019

## Safety Officers

Field	Name	Email Address	Phone
<b>EPJ</b>	Tim Nissen	nissentimothy@mchsi.com	(515) 975-1091
<b>West Field</b>	John Faust	faustj@q.com	(515) 771-3866

## Membership

For all questions/comments regarding membership (such as joining, renewal, etc.), please contact:

**Dave Kalwishky**  
4224 Grandview Ave.  
Des Moines, IA 50317

Phone: (515) 314-7060  
Email: dave@kalwishky.com

## Newsletter

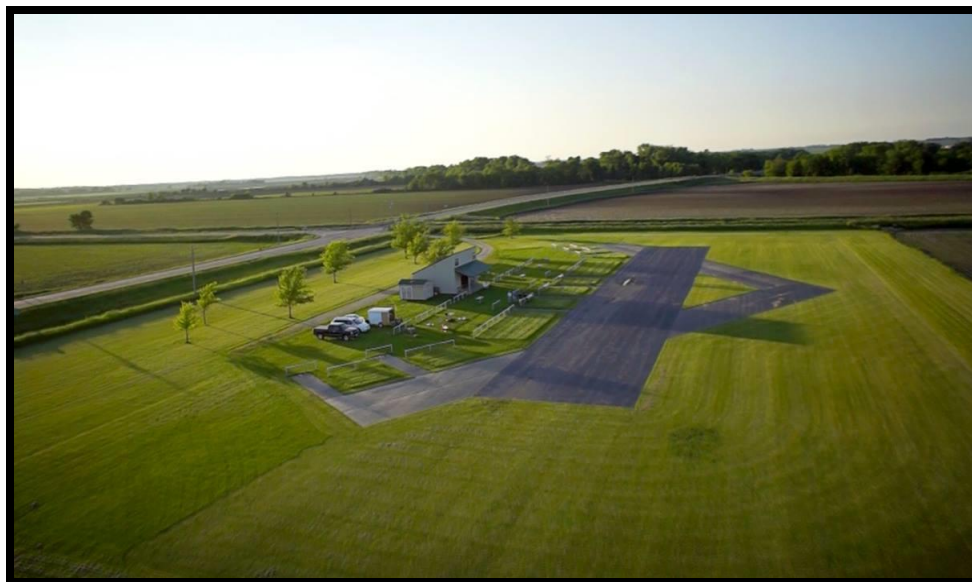
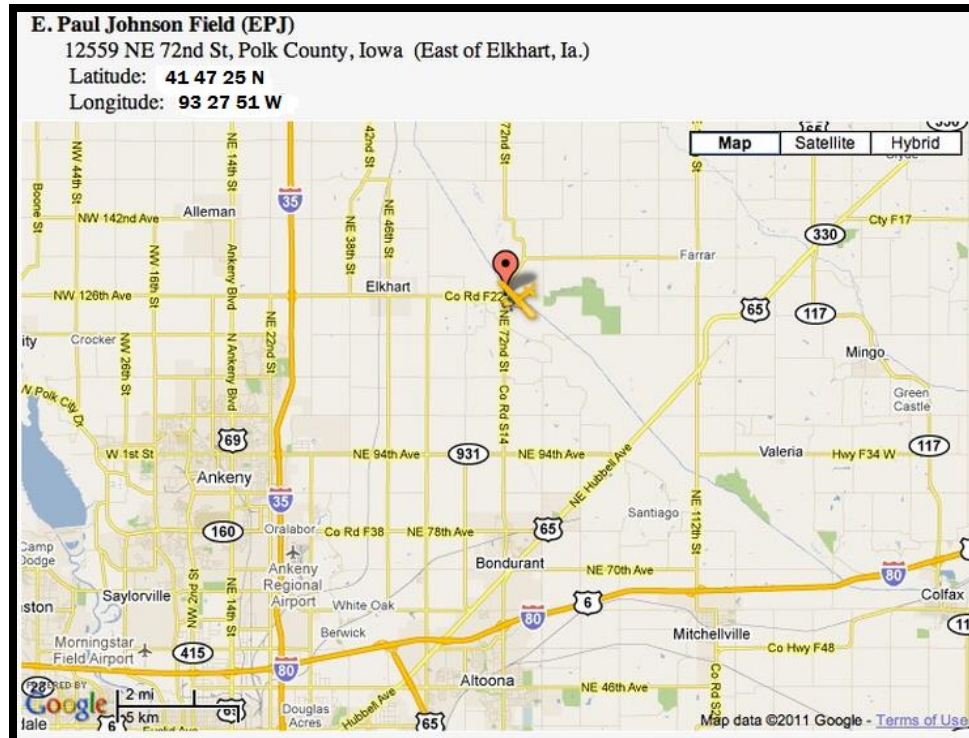
**Dave Beecher**

Email: db500\_1999@yahoo.com

## Flying Field Locations

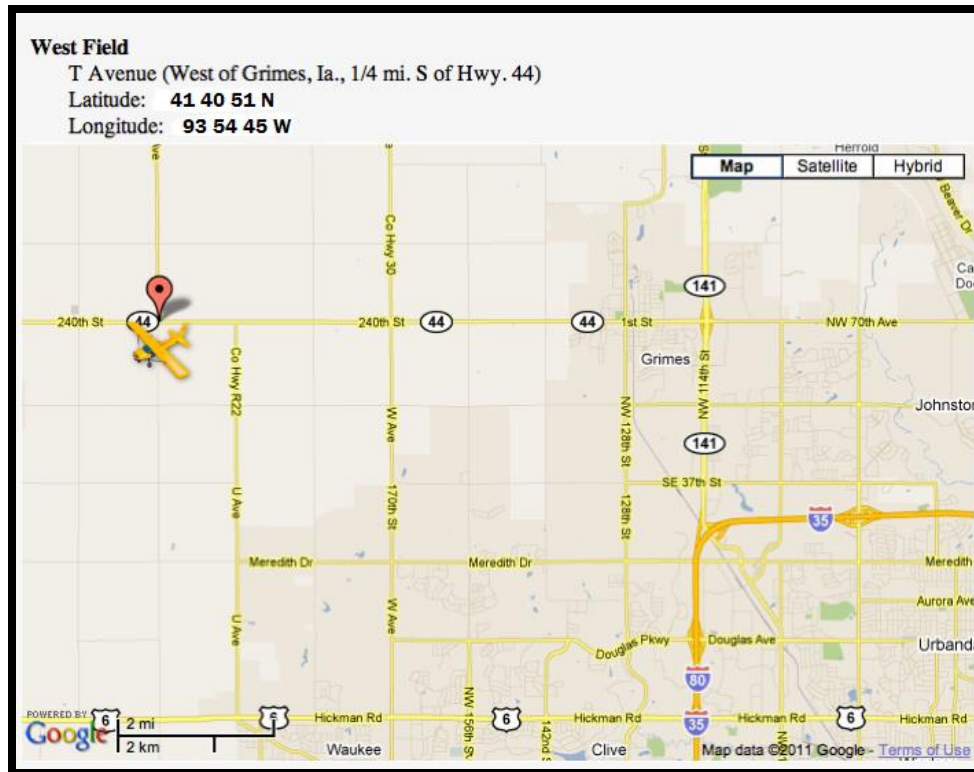
The Des Moines Modelaires maintains two high-quality, friendly flying locations in the Des Moines area. See below for address and map information:

### EPJ





## West Field



## **About the Des Moines Modelaires**

- We fly radio-controlled model airplanes, helicopters, and quad-copters at our two private flying fields
- We hold monthly meetings typically the first Tuesday of each month
- We produce a newsletter for our members and the general public. Please send photos and articles about RC and our club to [db500\\_1999@yahoo.com](mailto:db500_1999@yahoo.com)
- 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 instructor pilots