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Upcoming Events

May 29

ORA setup work party

May 30-31

ORA Spring Fun Fly

June 6

Field Meeting

June 15

Board Meeting

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President's Corner

Hi members,

This winter was long & hard and the drying time for our fields was also long this year. We finally were able to get onto both our fields by the end of April. I would like to thank all the members who came out to the Walkkill field work party and helped get this field in shape for the season. No work party was required for Redwing but would like to thank Rob Schulze for spreading the tic control material in the pit and in front of the flight line.

Members should know that Jer Milosek (for Walkkill field) and Rob Schulze (for Red Wing field) both purchased the Tic control material and did not want to be reimbursed for the costs. Next time you see them please say thank you.

I was not at the Float fly but I hear it went really well. If I remember correctly there were about 10-12 people and Otto did get to give a few people some float experience using his buddy box setup. Thanks to Jerry Rohling for organizing the event again this year.

The new membership process has been approved and has actually been used for some new members already. The May meeting had 5 new prospective members.

Thursday night flying and training at the Red Wing field has started and has had a good turnout. Bring those small airplanes out and join the fun.

The June meeting will be at the Walkkill field on Sat June 6th. There will be Dogs and Burgers and salad stuff provided by the club. Drinks will not be provided so make arrangements to bring your favorite drink.

At the June meeting there will be one small

Bylaw change voted on. It has to do with the new Non Flying membership category. The May meeting was a few members shy of having a voting quorum. A question was asked at the April meeting if the AMA required all club members to have AMA membership to be a member. I called the AMA membership Department and the answer was that the AMA recognizes this type of member as an Associate member and this membership category only needs AMA membership if they choose to become a flying member. If there is enough membership in attendance, this change will be brought forward for a vote.

Calendar events:

May 29: Setup work party for Aerodrome event. Starting Friday at 4pm.

May 30-31: Spring Fun fly at the Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome 8:30 AM to 5pm Sat and Sunday.

June 6: General meeting at the Walkkill Field meeting at 11am Lunch at noon.

Hope to see you at the field doing some flying.

Warren Batson
MHRCS President.

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Welcome to New Members

Larry Mesic



I was born in upstate Plattsburgh, NY and moved to New Paltz in 1970 with my wife to continue my teaching career in the Highland School District. I retired in 2002 after 36 years in education and have five adult children. Aviation has been a lifelong interest stimulated by the large SAC airbase located nearby my home town but it wasn't until recently that I became actively involved through my membership at Valley Soaring Club (Randall Airport). It was here I met past Mid-Hudson RC member Tom Decker who peaked my interest in model planes. This past week I traveled to South Carolina for the Nall Festival where I camped next to your own Charles Knight. It was the trip of a lifetime and recommend it to all model enthusiasts. I'm new to the hobby and have only built one foamy from plans which were downloaded from the E-Flite website. I've a lot to learn and would like to pursue my interest further through participation in your club.

Larry

James Cillo



I been in the RC hobby since a young age. Building and racing 1/10 electric RC cars. Moved up to 1/8 glow powered cars. Eventually got into RC speed boat racing. I built a RC plane at 18 years old, some 35 years ago. I never got around to flying it. Last Sunday, with the help of Warren, I got to fly a plane I built. I'm very fortunate to have found a club like yours, and I'm looking forward to developing my skills and being an active member.

Jim

Matt Hunger



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Richard Kleinhenz



Last year I saw someone flying a quadcopter shooting video at a music event. I was fascinated! A week later I had a tiny quadcopter for less than \$50 and was looking for others who I might learn some more from. My friend Joe Klein gave me some insights into local clubs and happenings, and I got the impression that multirotors are sort of like snowboarders in a traditional ski club. Being blind in one eye I suspected I would not be able to fly a moving aircraft safely, lacking depth perception, but after spending some time at the Stormville field observing I thought perhaps I could. Joe took me to a fun fly at the Walkill field where Rick Rizzo had a buddy-box setup and let me take control a bit. It was a total thrill and I was hooked! Joe rigged up a buddy box and let me take control of some of his planes, I bought a trainer, and a flight simulator, and spent a lot of time during the winter with that. During a week in Florida I got to fly with a couple of AMA instructors, and did my first landing. I am looking forward to learning from local AMA instructors and get good enough to earn solo privileges for our local fields. I am interested in electric only, have a 2.4 GHz radio system with telemetry (FrSky Taranis) that I am not fully exploiting yet. I think I have more planes and plane projects than I can burn this season!

Richard

Jerry Tetty



From The Editor

Rethinking the Trainer

The Radian E-flite UMX™ Radian® BNF with AS3X® Technology EFLU2980 for \$89.99 is a good alternative.

See: [Horizon Hobby UMX Radian](#)

It's small enough to fly in a softball field, light and can be flown very slow. Because it weighs only 1.5 ounces and is made of foam, its almost indestructible. Compare its cost against the typical 40 size glow trainer that's about \$400 and you'll see my point; it's a minimum investment. Lots of bang for a buck.

Did I say it's Almost Ready to Fly? It's an ARF, no worry about getting it straight and free of warps. It also utilizes AS3X technology, a 3 axis gyro built into the receiver that adds stability especially noticeable in wind.

I have one and will tell you it's a good flyer especially when coupled with a programmable transmitter. DO NOT USE an inexpensive controller, you won't experience true

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proportional control and will outgrow the controller within a week.

Consider the Spektrum DX8 or DX9. You can pick up a DX8 off the internet for less than \$250, the DX9 will cost another \$100. You need the programmability features to tune the feel of the aircraft to your manual dexterity.

These transmitters will allow you to grow as your skills increase without requiring the purchase of another transmitter. They are good enough for any model you see at Walkill or Redwing field, they are also compatible with all the models Horizon sells giving you a nice progression path. Remember you can't inter-mix different brands of transmitter and receiver.

After you learn left and right circles, horizontal figure eights and landing, you can progress up to the T-28. see:

<http://www.horizonhobby.com/t-28-trojan-pnp-pkz4475>

This is one standby model that many members fly. You do not want the small version!

Another solid performer is the Multiplex Fun Cub, for info see:

<http://www3.towerhobbies.com/cgi-bin/wti0001p?&l=LXZWL8&P=ML>

Ask Lloyd Quick about the Fun Cub, he flies it.

T-28



Multiplex Fun Cub



Radian E-flite UMX

