

# Pilot Briefing

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## Upcoming Events– February

6th—Regular Meeting – 7 PM PUMC

20th– Board Meeting 7 PM PUMC

24-26– WRAM Show **Meadowlands Exposition Center**

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## President's Corner

Hi Members,

On Sat Jan 28<sup>th</sup> MHRCS hosted the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Building Seminar. Guest speakers again were Roy Vaillancourt and Dave Wigley. These 2 gentleman are class A builders. They both had examples of their work for all of us to tough and ask question.

The topics this year were all geared towards high end building techniques. Yes they were geared towards building Scale aircraft, however 90% if not all of what was presented could be used in everyday building. Especially if you are into Large Scale aircraft.

If you did not attend because you thought this was only for scale builder, then you really missed out. From the many comments of MHRCS members and the many visitors, everyone walked away at the end of the day with their heads spinning. That is how much information was thrown at us.

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I would like to thank Bob Allan for making all the arrangements with the guest speakers and to John Philbrick for making all the arrangements with the rental of the hall for the seminar. Great Job guys.

### **Electric how to**

Lloyd Quick asked if there was interest in him giving a presentation on Electrics at one of our meetings. There seemed to be lots of interest so at the **March** meeting Lloyd will do an Electric presentation. There will be a very short business meeting that night.

### **Membership renewals:**

Membership renewals are due by the March meeting to avoid the late fee. Please mail in your renewals.

### **AMA Renewal:**

I am in the middle of filling out the Clubs charter for 2012 and I notice there are more than a handful of members that have not renewed their AMA.

Our club rules and agreements with each of our Land owners, requires every Club member to have valid AMA insurance coverage. Please do not fly at any of our fields until you have your AMA card in hand or an Email stating that your insurance has been paid for 2012.

Warren Batson

## **Prepare for the FAA Regulations by Ron Revelle**

During his visit to the Scale Seminar last Saturday, Eric Williams, AMA District II Vice President mentioned that the FAA proposals may not happen in February but might be as late as May of this year. But they will be coming. Never the less be sure your current e-mail address is on file with the AMA. Rich Hanson in his article appearing on page 13 in the February issue of Model Aviation says, "the significant restrictions projected for model aviation in the proposed rule are alarming." He continues by mentioning that "Representatives from FAA's Unmanned Aircraft Program office have told us that the modeling community is not going to like the proposed rule." If that isn't enough to get our attention, I don't know what will. Folks, this will not be one to sit out. It will be imperative that the modeling community's voice is heard loud and clear. Have you checked the AMA website to be sure your e-mail address is correct? If not, please do so when you finish this newsletter. Thanks.

## MHRCS Holiday Dinner

Many thanks to John Philbrick for all of his work on making the holiday dinner possible and successful. Those attending enjoyed a fun evening together.



Amy so happy to finally open something that didn't need changing!

### Scale R/C Aircraft Building Techniques Seminar– January 28, 2012

Roy Vaillancourt and Dave Wigley cannot be thanked enough for conducting this seminar. It was inspiring, informative, challenging and the list goes on. All of us in attendance want to thank Roy and Dave so much for taking the time and sharing so many of their outstanding building techniques with us. We salute you. It was an honor to learn from the masters!



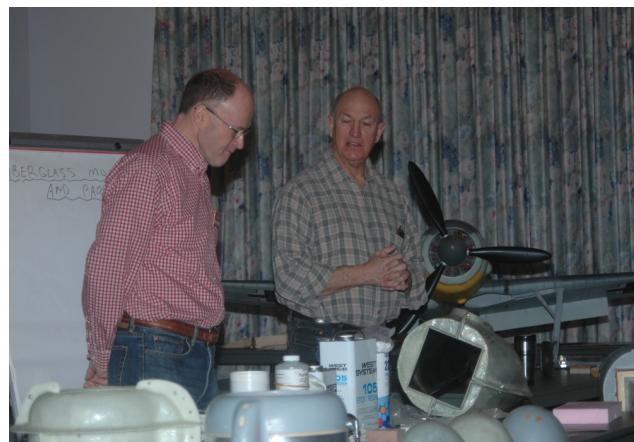
Pres. Warren greeting those attending the seminar.



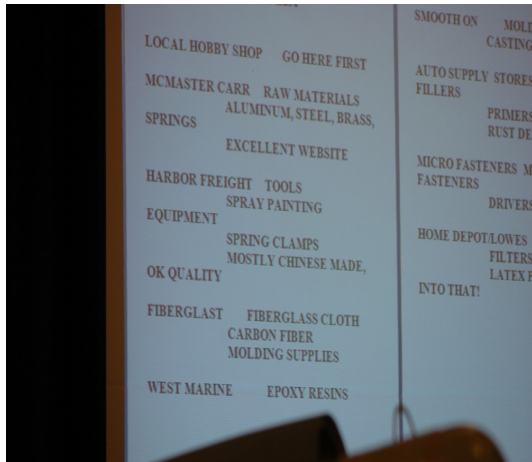
Bob Allan preparing to introduce our presenters Roy Vaillancourt (Vailly Aviation) and Dave Wigley, (Mr. Top Gun 2011) Thank you Bob for your work in setting up this seminar. We would say kudos to you if we knew what they were. They sound like something you could catch from girls in elementary school.



A partial view of the crowd that attended the seminar. While Pres. Warren tries to find the penny he dropped on the floor before somebody else gets it.



“Now think about it Dave. I will give you everything on this table and a bottle of super glue for that Top Gun trophy. “



Some sources of building materials.



An inside view of Roy's next project.



Sailplane enthusiast, Bob trying to figure out what those two big things are on the wing of that plane!



Lots of interested in the displays.



If you didn't write down the names of some of the supplies needed for the molding, this may help.



Dave patiently responding to some of the many questions posed at the seminar.



Dave trying to take a photo of the Wulf with his blackberry. To get the whole plane in the photo you may want to back up a bit more the next time.



Ron thinking..." I still think that Fock Wulf would look better in pink."



Once again we were honored to have Eric Williams, AMA District II Vice President with us. Is Eric telling Flavio that his 1/4 scale Cub , which is currently on the bench, will represent the USA in the next International Scale Competition?



Jonathan showing Reis his aerial video.



One last admiring look at one magnificent model aircraft.



The mystery engine....Anybody know what it is? It will be at Rhinebeck 2012

CAVU till the next time, Ron Revelle