

# Pilot Briefing

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## Upcoming Events– January

7th –**Frost Fly 9 AM Redwing Field (rain date 1/14)**

9th—Regular Meeting – 7 PM PUMC

13th Holiday Dinner- ? PUMC

23rd– Board Meeting 7 PM PUMC

28th– Scale Building Seminar– 10 AM to 5 PM (rain date 2/4)

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## President's Corner

Hi Members

With this issue of the newsletter we are starting a new year. I hope everyone enjoyed their holidays with family and friends.

The last year (2011) was a very good year for MHRCS and this year will be getting off to a good start. Our calendar for January is very full.

Here is a list of the activities;

Jan 7 <sup>th</sup>	Frost fly
Jan 9 <sup>th</sup>	Jan. meeting, Budget/dues review and vote
Jan 13 <sup>th</sup>	Holiday party
Jan 28 <sup>th</sup>	Building Seminar

I hope you can make some of these great activities.

Lots of indoor winter flying is being done by Model Masters at the Highland Middle school and the Ulster county BOCES, in High Falls. Many Mid Hudson members are also members of the Model Masters, however if are not a member of the Model Masters you are still welcome to come and watch or even fly if you have something that fits the indoor space. The last flying/meeting session at the Highland school had about 30-35 people. All kinds of aircraft are flown. If you have not seen this flying venue please drop by at one of the upcoming flying sessions. I will forward separate emails with the Model Masters upcoming scheduled flying dates. I have included a few pictures from the Dec Flying session.

Once again in Dec., 6 members from Mid Hudson attended a work party at the Aerodrome for a second go around at the brush cleanup/removal. We were there for about 3.5 hours but boy did we get a lot done for only 6 people. The attached pictures will show the piles of tree debris we left for Mike Digiacomio from the Aerodrome staff. Mike runs a tree service business so has a chipper to take care of all the piles we made. I would like to thank all the members and other Modelers that have participated in the 2011 work parties at the Aerodrome. We do really have a good time. Mike has left an open invitation to fly after each work party, so as we go into the spring I will schedule some work/flying sessions starting in March.

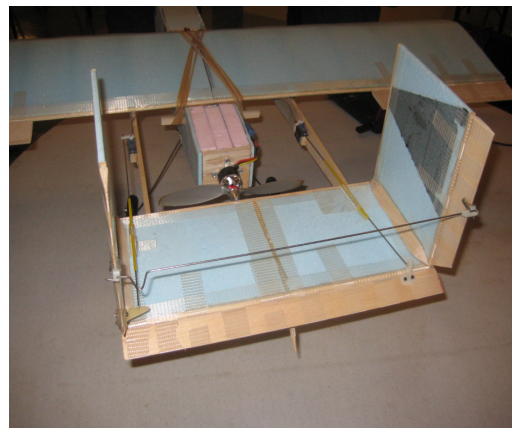
## Project night Reminder

The April meeting will be the return of our Project Night. If you are building anything this winter, please feel free to display your new creation for everyone else to enjoy. We will have a few prizes to give away. I am working on a few projects myself and I think Ron is planning on a few pictures at the end of the newsletter.

Well that's all for now.

Warren Batson  
President

## Displays at our December Meeting.....



Jonathan Elie brought an aircraft that he designed and built along with some outstanding videos taken from the plane.



Rick Rizza displayed his transmitter cover that protects the transmitter from inclement weather and also serves as a hand warmer. Actually the cover is black..... Rick was absent from our annual New Year's Day fly but wouldn't have needed the cover due to the 50 degree weather! Missed you Rick! Also, at the meeting Rick brought his newest addition to his WWI squadron, an SE 5. It apparently likes to fly backwards as well as forward!







Some photos of Warren's work on his giant Aeromaster! What a beautiful job.....almost ready to go!





Pictures of the Model Masters Dec. Indoor Flying session at the Highland Middle School. Lots of familiar faces.

The MHRCS work parties helping at the Rhinebeck Aerodrome continue.



Above left: The back side of the barn at the start of the day. This is Tom Polapink long time Aerodrome Friend. On the right, a photo of the area after much effort. Thanks to Warren for the coverage and the leadership. This kind of community service effort by an AMA chartered club is extemporary.





A before photo of the area behind Cole's house. Years of damaged trees and debris.



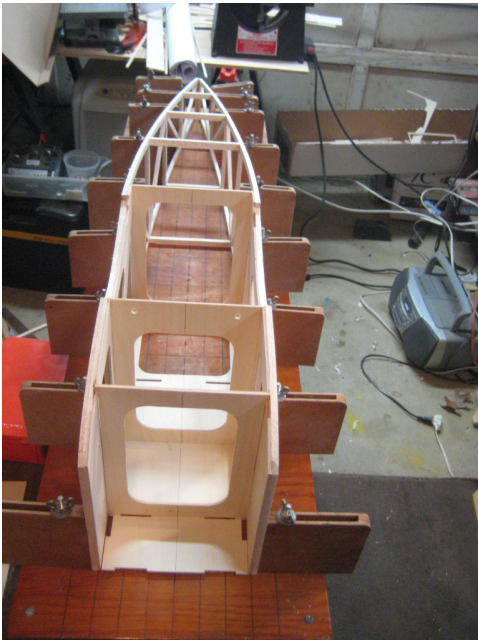
After shot. Cole's house is on the left. The one leaning tree in the middle needs to come down but is hung up in the other trees. Little to unsafe for us that day.



Warren reports "Just one of the 2 big piles we had at the end of the day. Sorry Mike!!!"



A Balsa USA 1/4 Scale Nieuport 17 in the works at the editor's hanger.



Some of you guys had better start sending me photos of your winter projects or you are going to be seeing a lot more pictures of my grandchildren!

The old homemade fuselage jig was pulled out of mothballs after sitting around for many years! It still works great and if anyone would like to borrow it for a project, just ask.



The upper wing framed up..



The bottom wing ready to get wing mount dowels.

That is it for now. Wishing you all a very happy and healthy new year!  
CAVU - Ron Revelle