

Pilot Briefing

Mid Hudson Radio Control Society



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Upcoming Events

Sept 11-13
Jamboree

Sept 21
Regular Meeting

Sept 28
Board Meeting

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President's Corner

Hi members,

We are only weeks away from our yearly Jamboree RC event at the Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome. By now you should have received an email with the chairperson listing so you can sign up for working your favorite work spot for the event. This year MHRCS we will be doing some trial Mission events which will require some judges and balloon runners and helium balloon filling, etc. If anyone is interested in working this part of the event please contact Fred Dimaria from the chairperson list. This event will only be run for a few hours each day.

On Aug 20th there was a fire in the field Gift Shop at the Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome. This was a great loss for the Aerodrome as many unreplaceable museum artifacts were lost. The biggest loss was the loss of all Cole's free flight models and others that were donated to the ORA. ORA did have insurance on the building but it will not replace the museum artifacts. The Aerodrome has been given the OK to demo the building and that process has already started and should be removed by Aug 28. For those that have been asking, the cause of fire has not been determined yet.

This past Thursday at the Red Wing field we had a small group of the Civil Air Patrol youth cadets present for some RC training. However the weather was very windy that night so we did not get in more than a trim flight on their glider. We will try again this Thursday. If you are available to come out

it would be nice to have members present flying different aircraft so the Cadets can see the variety of aircraft that are available. They have 4 or 5 cadets that are very interested in learning to fly RC. So I invite you to come on out on Thursday nights at the Red Wing field.

It was also discovered last week that the sports teams are using the upper fields for organized games, and Paul did not call to let me know this was happening. They will be running most evenings from 4:00 to 7:30PM from now till early November. So field 3 will be very limited for usage by MHRCS members as was planned in earlier emails.

Field 4 is still usable, but flying within the Red Wing property line must be strictly adhered to.

I was at the Walkill field this past Saturday on a beautiful day, and only 3 members were there to enjoy the day. I hear about lots of flying happening at the Walkill field but this is not the first time I was present on a great flying day and 2 or 3 members were present. Many personal, club and ORA commitments have limited my usage of the Walkill field this year so I hope other members are enjoying this great field.

Jamboree Event dates

Sept 9th, Wednesday, field grass cutting and equipment setup. Rain Date Sept 10th. Lunch will be provided by the club and I need someone willing to pick up the food and items. Only water will be provided for drinking (no sodas) so plan accordingly. ORA has a large charcoal grill. If you are interested please contact me.

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President's Corner continued....

Sept 11, Friday Start of main event at 11AM to 5pm

Sept 12, Saturday 7:30am to 5pm

Sept 13, Sunday 7:30am to 5pm

Hope you can come out to the jamboree event.

Warren Batson
President MHRCS

The Jamboree starts shortly, have you volunteered to help yet?

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Field Teardown

usually Joe Klien will pick up the trailer for winter storage.

Radian Improvements

Have you noticed Ed Popko and Ron Revelle flying their Radians at Walkkill? The buzzards have, and they always come over and fly with them. This video details some improvements that can easily be made.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E5dQVqPivXY>

The model can be seen at:

<http://www.horizonhobby.com/radian-pnp-pkz4775>

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How does your hangar stack up?

Take a look at the US Air Force fleet size.

<http://www.businessinsider.com/charts-of-the-us-air-force-2015-8>

DVII

This link is too good to miss! I'm including questions about it in the next quiz.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3RbJtBOhkks&feature=youtu.be>

Buying an R/C Airplane

Now's the time to start watching for Labor Day sales. The flying season is drawing to a close, it is time to reduce inventory and make room for the new line. Chances are you will not find staples like hardware, balsa, wheels etc. on sale... only airframes and older systems.

Last year Don Serafin taught me how to shop for airframes. He talked about purchasing the Big Stik, <http://www3.towerhobbies.com/cgi-bin/wti0001p?&l=LXKJY0&P=ML>, that Lou, Jeff and Don fly. By being a Super Saver customer he was notified via email that the airplane was on sale. He was also able to use his Super Saver customer discount in addition to the sale price. Don purchased the plane with a "**Double Discount**". You can't beat that. The airplane flies well and is robust, aka it can handle rough landings.

You should see a drop in prices for airframes built in China because it's recently devalued currency.

Have you taken advantage of the AMA's offer of reduced fees?

The offer ends September 14th. It's a fairly long renewal process on line, took me over 10 minutes because of the number of questions and choices. I renewed as a Senior for 2 years receiving a hard copy of the magazine Model Aviation by mail with no extras for a total of \$93.

Start here: <https://www.modelaircraft.org/joinrenew.aspx>

EDF Fans Disintegrating

A case of EDF fans disintegrating can be found in a post dated August 18, 2015 at 9:58pm.

http://www.rcscalebuilder.com/forum/forum_posts.asp?TID=10966&PN=1&TPN=291

This brings up the issue on how you store your models. Heat is an enemy. Keeping them in an unventilated trailer or metal storage shed during periods of high temperature days is putting them at risk.

When was the last time you read the AMA safety code?

Particularly the sections regarding flying near airports. It's available at: <https://www.modelaircraft.org/files/105.pdf>



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Seen at the Walkill Field

A B-17 escorted by a P-51, the real deal, on Monday August 23, flying southwest around noon. They were so slow that it took over 5 minutes, and the sound was something you no longer ever hear. It showed how easy it was for the Luftwaffe to shoot the B-17 down.

Small birds are starting to flock, hundreds of'em and they are feeding on the runway. Watch your takeoffs and landings, your aircraft will come out second best if you are unfortunate enough to tangle with one.



Remember...

September is the LAST month of flying at Walkill Field, so make the most of it. Hurricane season has arrived and will adversely impact available days.