

2007 RAMS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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THE RAMS November 27, 2007 MEETING at the Webster Volunteer Firemen's Building, Sanford Street, Webster, NY 7:00 PM—9:00PM. Visitors are welcome

CALENDAR OF BUSINESS MEETINGS FOR 2007

RAMS MEMBERSHIP MEETING SCHEDULE (TUESDAYS)

Nov. 27 Dec. 18

BOD MEETING SCHEDULE (MONDAYS)

Dec. 03

CALENDAR OF BUSINESS MEETINGS FOR 2008

TENTATIVE RAMS MEMBERSHIP MEETING SCHEDULE (TUESDAYS)

Jan. 29,	Feb. 26,	Mar. 25,	Apr. 29,	May 27	June 24
July 29	Aug. 26,	Sep. 30,	Oct. 28,	Nov. 25,	Dec. 30

TENTATIVE BOD MEETING SCHEDULE (MONDAYS)

Jan. 14,	Feb. 11,	Mar. 10,	Apr. 14,	May 12,	June 9
July 14,	Aug. 11,	Sep. 15,	Oct. 13,	Nov. 10	Dec. 15

2007 CALANDAR OF EVENTS

2008 Budget review
2008 Banquet

November Meeting
January Meeting

NOVEMBER PROGRAM

John Dennis

There is no program scheduled for the November meeting.

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

Alex Antonelli

REMINDER: THE RAMS WEB ADDRESS IS CHANGED! THE NEW ADDRESS IS: WWW.RAMSRC.ORG

It has come to my attention that our secretary Jake Kirsch and his wife had a baby boy last week. Here is the note I got from our 2008 President (Dave Playfair) on the subject:

Please congratulate Jake and Nicki Kirsch, the proud parents of a brand spankin' new baby boy "ARF" !

Michael Jacob was born 14 Nov 2007, weighing in at a respectable 7lbs, 11oz, with a 22" fuselage length.

Mom, Dad, and baby are doing well, especially considering the 20+ hour holding pattern at the hospital awaiting the final approach.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Al Bensley

I'm writing this on Friday morning November 16th and as I look out the window I see the trace of our first snowfall. It's a reminder that another year of flying is coming to an end. My guess is that there will be plenty of good days left for comfortable flying and even more for those who fly in all conditions (Bob Hendrickson?). On November 1st a few of us put the front panels up on the Macedon pavilion so we are ready for the winter season. Remember that there is an informal gathering of members on Thursday morning at the Macedon field. We meet in all weather conditions (well, almost all) and fly planes when the weather is cooperating.

Paul Georger, with lots of help from Jeff Francis, has repaired the roof on the Macedon shed. A "Thank You" to Paul and especially to Jeff for rescuing Paul from doing the physical work that he probably shouldn't be doing these days.

We should also recognize the members (11 out of 132) who split, hauled, and stacked firewood on October 27th. I believe I have everyone's name and I apologize if I've missed someone. A "Thank You" to:

Dennis Ekwortzell	Doug Kulp
Paul Georger	Warren Boudrie
Carl Van Voohris	Dave Playfair
Bob Hendrickson	Jim Meyer
Terry Erdle	Rod Curtis

It only took about 3 hours and when we were finished the wood was stacked and the grounds were cleaned up and ready for winter. We also drank all the coffee and ate all the donuts.

In my last letter I wrote that Warren Boudrie is donating a sign for the Macedon field. I had an opportunity to visit the vendor with Warren a couple weeks ago. The owner gave us a tour of his operations and answered all our questions. My conclusion is that we will receive a first class sign for the field. We expect to install it in the spring. A byproduct of this project is that we now have an official RAMS logo that can be sized for any purpose (T-shirts, etc). Dave Playfair gave Warren a lot of help developing this. Thanks Dave.

As you know, the election of the 2008 Board of Directors occurred at the October meeting. Congratulations to Dave Playfair on being our next President. I expect that we will all give Dave our full support (and keep the petty BS to a minimum) during his term. I also welcome back to the BOD two of our most active and influential members, Andres Rodriguez and Ray Stacy. Their experience and "connections" will be very valuable to the club. And last, we should all thank John Coushaine for his many years as Treasurer of the club. I have spent some time with John as I transition as his replacement and have gained a great appreciation for the precision and diligence he put into the RAMS budget and recordkeeping process. It will be difficult filling his shoes, but I know he will help me whenever necessary.

A REMINDER!!! We will review the 2008 Budget at the next membership meeting on November 27th. If things go well, and I anticipate they will, we can approve the budget at the meeting also. Please try to attend as a quorum (27 members) is necessary. I hope to see you then.

That's it for now. Have a very happy and safe Thanksgiving. Remember that we are fortunate to live in the finest country in the world.

Happy Landings

NOVEMBER BOD MEETING MINUTES

Jake Kirsch

The November 12, 2007 BOD meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by President Al Bensley.

Attendees:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Al Bensley (President)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bob Hendrickson (Vice President)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jacob Kirsch (Secretary)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Coushaine (Treasurer)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jose Soler (Membership Director)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tom Starsmore (Community Affairs Director)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dave Playfair (Macedon Safety Director)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dave Ottney (Ontario Safety Director)

[X] Rod Curtis (Macedon Field Director)
[] John Dennis (Program Director)
[] Carl VanVoorhis (Librarian)

[X] Larry Clarke (Ontario Field Director)
[X] Alex Antonelli (Newsletter Editor)

Business:

- The October BOD meeting minutes were approved
- 2008 Budget proposal was discussed
- Macedon sign design concept was reviewed
- Firewood at Macedon discussed – offer to be extended to neighbor
- Awards Banquet discussion
- Membership Application
 - o Section for volunteer interest; “I have an interest in helping with (for future contact purposes):”
 1. Open House (date TBD by CD)
 2. Heli Jamboree (August 29-31, 2007)
 3. Macedon Field Maintenance
 4. Ontario Field Maintenance
 5. Fall Wood Splitting
 6. Daytime Community Outreach
 - o Performance Rebate for 2007
- Capital improvement discussion/brainstorming
 - o Fordham
 1. Shelter (non-permanent)
 2. Gate needs to be repaired/replaced
 - o Macedon
 1. Driveway relocation
 2. Flightline Shelter
 3. Brush-hog West hill

OCTOBER MEETING MINUTES

Tom Starsmore

The October business meeting was called to order at 7:14 p.m. by President Al Bensley.

Introduction of 2007 BOD members:

New Member

Lance Merritt was voted into the club

Show and Tell

Bob Antonelli talked about his AeroWorks Stearman. It's Specifications as published by the manufacturer are: Wing span Top - 77" Bottom - 73", Fuse Length 61", Wing Area 1837 sq. in., Engine 50cc-60cc / 3.2ci-4.2ci, Fuel Tank 24 ounce, Weight 18-20 lbs. Bob has a Saito (325) - 5 cylinder Radial up front and his weight is about 24 lbs. Bob installed a Sonic-Tronics onboard glow driver system to light the rear 5 glow plugs. The front set of 5 light when the heat within the cylinder in the present of the glow fuel gets the front plugs to glow.

Bob Wyman talked about the new Fly Cam One

Ray Stacy showed the new micro heli Kyle flue in events in Chicago where he placed 3rd along with a new 7 channel Futaba 2.3 GHz. Transmitter.

Bob Hendrickson demonstrated a series of different plane finders and center servo devices.

Announcements

Sale of our web address netted the RAMS \$3100 and it will go into next year's budget

Firewood splitting - special thanks to the 11 people who showed up to split wood

Time to think about nominations for the Rubsum, Broken prop, and Jr. awards for this year's banquet

Minutes were approved for last months meeting

Membership Report: We have 133 Senior members

Treasures Report: John Coushaine stated the RAMS are in good financial shape.

The nominees for 2008 Board of Directors were presented to the membership that was present. Because there were no other nominations at the meeting, a proposal to elect all the BOD members with a single hand vote was proposed and accepted.

The following are the 2008 BOD members:

President	Dave Playfair
Vice President	Bob Hendrickson
Treasurer	Al Bensley
Secretary	Jake Kirsch
Membership	Jose Solar

Ontario Field Director	Larry Clarke
Macedon Field Director	Rod Curtis
Ontario Safety Director	John Dennis
Macedon Safety Director	Ray Stacy
Program Director	Andres Rodriguez
Community Affairs Director	Tom Starsmore
Newsletter Editor	Alex Antonelli

All were voted into office
New Business

Reviewed budget strategy for 2008

Dennis Ekwortzell requested that the BOD look into moving a section of the driveway back onto our property

The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 PM.

SHOW & TELL



Left - Robert Antonelli with his AeroWorks Stearman.

Lower left - Bob Wyman talked about the new Fly Cam One video camera

Lower Center- Ray Stacey with the micro heli.

Lower Right - Bob Hendrickson demonstrated the different plane finders and servo centering devices



NEW STUDENT TRAINING

Bob Hendrickson (VP)

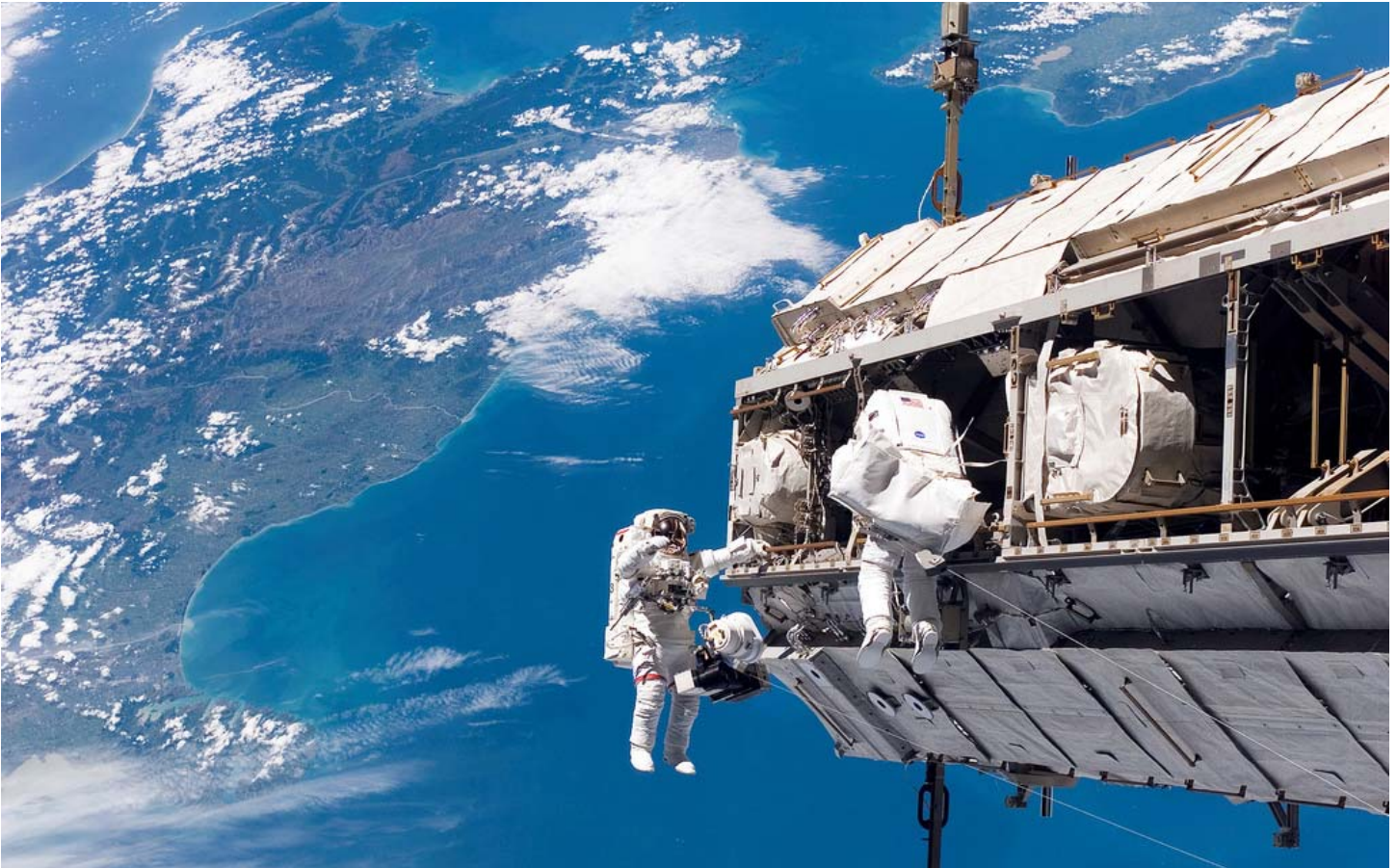
Bob Hendrickson reported that 8 new pilots were trained during this summer. Some are yet to get their wings and certificates.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR REPORT

Jose Soler

Jose Soler reported the membership numbers for 2007 to date are: 155 members consisting of 134 Sr., 19 Jr. and 2 associate members.

PICTURE OF THE MONTH



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