



2008 RAMS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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THE RAMS October, 2008 MEETING, Webster Community Center, 985 Ebner Drive, Webster, NY 7:00 PM—9:00PM. Visitors are welcome.

CALENDAR OF BUSINESS MEETINGS FOR 2008

RAMS MEMBERSHIP MEETING SCHEDULE (TUESDAYS)

Oct. 28 Nov. 25 Dec. 30

BOD MEETING SCHEDULE (MONDAYS)

Nov. 10 Dec. 15

2008 SCHEDULE OF FLYING EVENTS ALL CLUBS

No planned flying events on the calendar at this point.

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

Alex Antonelli

- It is that time of the year again where we need nominations for Board of Directors for 2009. Please consider your nominations for any of the positions and check that the person you want to nominate is willing to take on that position or any other BOD position. Elections are held at the October meeting. The 2009 list of candidates for BOD is the same as the 2008 BOD except for Program Director. Jeff Fuller is going to take a crack at the *Program Director* for '09. You can still nominate someone for a BOD position just show up at the October meeting with the name of the person and their acceptance of the nomination.
- There is no program for the October meeting.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dave Playfair

October has arguably given us the best flying weather this year, filling the month with clear skies, light winds, and moderate temperatures. It was nice to see so many people taking advantage of the increased performance our aircraft enjoy with the cooler air, except for last weekend of course, when donning shorts and t-shirts was in order! In addition to much helicopter flying, I'm proud to have set a new personal record for airplane retention, having just cracked open the 3rd gallon on the Aresti, which is my charmed 3rd attempt at fixed wing aircraft this year. :c)

Leaves are dropping; a signal that election time for both our Country and our club is upon us. Though I'm a little disappointed that our membership has remained uncharacteristically quiet when prompted for BOD nominees, I'm very pleased to announce that all but one of our current Board of Directors have agreed to run once again for

their positions. Attendance at the October business meeting is important, insuring a quorum to make the election official.

A special thank you goes out to Tom Starsmore and crew for the fine interior staining project they've completed on Macedon field house. These guys saw the need, and took it upon themselves to get the job done. Very nice work!

Our new free-standing metal shelter will soon be in place in front of the frequency board of Macedon. This year-round 12'x40' roof will replace the tedious registration tent during our events, provide us with sun protection, and shield our "field furniture" from the elements during the winter months. It would not have been possible except for the more than generous donation of \$1000 by Rod Curtis, our Macedon field director. Please don't tell his wife!

It's time to get firewood ready for the winter season. Looking at our beautiful wood pile drying behind shed, it's very possible this years supply can be obtained without a log splitter. By sorting and restacking, the already burnable and ax-splittable pieces can be brought up at the club house. Leaving the larger pieces intact at this time will help preserve them for a future season. Feel free to spend a little time during each Macedon field visit to contribute; else we will have another "party" in the near future!

"Expecting the unexpected makes the unexpected become the expected."

PROGRAM

Andres Rodriguez

Thanks to Tom McCoy for his presentation as the September program which was about everything you wanted to know about electric powered aircraft (and were too shy to ask). Some of the topics covered were: Electronic speed controls, Motors - (In-runners / Out runners), Batteries - (LiPo / 123), Chargers and Balancers.

OCTOBER BOD MEETING MINUTES

Jake Kirsch

The October BOD meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Dave Playfair

Attendees:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dave Playfair (President) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bob Hendrickson (Vice President) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jacob Kirsch (Secretary) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Al Bensley (Treasurer) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jose Soler (Membership Director) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tom Starsmore (Community Affairs Director) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ray Stacy (Macedon Safety Director) | <input type="checkbox"/> John Dennis (Ontario Safety Director) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rod Curtis (Macedon Field Director) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Larry Clarke (Ontario Field Director) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Andres Rodriguez (Program Director) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alex Antonelli (Newsletter Editor) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carl VanVoorhis (Librarian) | |

Business:

- The September BOD meeting minutes were approved
- No nominees for BOD positions. Program Director position remains unfilled.
- Dave Playfair will contact the party responsible for reclaiming the Macedon gravel pit
- AT&T class action suit status; looking like money to be paid in 2009
- Motion to approve a lifetime membership to be awarded at the January banquet. Seconded and passed unanimously.
- Fordham port-a-potty to be removed from Nov 1 thru March 31
- Macedon port-a-potty to be removed from Jan 15 thru April 5 to allow for usage at Freeze-In Fun Fly
- Motion to add a \$10 charge for hard copy newsletters for 2009 memberships. Seconded and passed unanimously.
- Shelter at Macedon to be installed October 23-24, 2008. Front of Macedon shelter will be installed October 16, 2008.

SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES

Jake Kirsch

The September meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Dave Playfair at the Webster Community Center

Guests: no guests or visitors

Program: Electric airplanes by Tom McCoy of Performance Hobbies

Announcements:

- Open House and Heli Jamboree status review; event income far exceeded budget expectations!
- Remote controlled aircraft and rockets are not permitted in parks in Canandaigua

- Nominations are being accepted for BOD positions; please submit to a BOD member before the October BOD meeting

Business:

- The August Membership Minutes were approved
- Motion to purchase and install a 40' x 12' x 8' shelter in front of the frequency board at Macedon Field was approved unanimously:
 - o Alleviates setup of tent for RAMS events
 - o Storage for tables and starting stand during the Winter
 - o 20 year warranty
 - o Rod Curtis will donate \$1000 toward the purchase
 - o Club cost is \$2400 (taken from Capital Improvement Reserve)

Show-n-Tell:

- Andres Rodriguez showed a scaled down, electric powered Seniorita scratch built by Jeff Trenkler. The airplane is equipped with lights that are controlled by the transmitter. Even the propeller has custom LEDs!
- Jeff Trenkler showed another scratch built, scaled down, electric powered Seniorita on floats.
- David Playfair showed his flagship Raptor 90 powered by an OS .91 SZH and reviewed the customized electronics setup
- Bob Herden showed a home-design, 40-size, high-wing float plane powered by an Enya .46. It's the fourth in this series of this design.
- Stan Wells presented OS .48 Surpass powered Telemaster 40
- Bob Hendrickson showed a Nitro Planes Kintana 72" ARF that he is putting together





Sorry there is NO picture of Bob Hendrickson's Nitro Planes Kintana 72" ARF that he is putting together.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR REPORT

Jose Soler

Jose Soler reported the membership count thru the June, 2008 BOD meeting is 146. This consists of 123 Sr., 22 Jr. and 1 associate members to date. Please do not forward your 2009 membership application and dues to Jose until the 2009 budget is finalized and approved by the membership. The 2009 dues will be set by the 2009 approved budget. Please note that if you want a hard copy of the Club newsletter starting in 2009 there will be a fee of \$10.00 to cover printing and postage. Please don't send in a 2008 membership application with your 2009 dues. The dues for 2009 and a new 2009 membership application will be available after approval of the 2009 budget.

PICTURE OF THE MONTH

