

2008 RAMS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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AMA Gold Leader Club for 16 years since its inception in 1993

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THE RAMS December 30, 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)

Dec. 30

Jan. 27	Feb. 24	Mar. 31	Apr. 28	May 26	June 30	July 28
Aug. 25	Sept. 29	Oct. 27	Nov. 24	Dec. 29		

BOD MEETING SCHEDULE (MONDAYS)

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

2008 SCHEDULE OF FLYING EVENTS ALL CLUBS

FREEZE-IN

MACEDON FIELD FUN-FLY

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NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

Alex Antonelli

- Don't forget to contact Tom Starsmore at **585 872 3193** or email starsmore@peoplepc.com by January 13th to confirm your reservations for the 2009 banquet. Take note to the extensive menu and WE can attest to the quality of the food to be had at Keenan's from last year's banquet. The group will be seated in a larger area this year so it should not be a crowded. The cost per person will be the same as last year, \$20.00 including Tax and Tip.
- The 2009 membership application is available on the RAMS web site. ramsrc.org
- Don't forget if you plan on flying at the Jan. 1st freeze-in you will need you 2009 AMA membership card or your 2009 RAMS membership card.

2009 BANQUET

Tom Starsmore

The 2009 RAMS banquet will be held at Keenan's Restaurant located at 1010 East Ridge Road in Irondequoit. It is located between Carter St. and Portland Ave. in the Georgetown Plaza next to Harbor Freight.

The Banquet will be held on Tuesday January 27, 2009. The meal will be buffet style and will start at **6:30** with the business and awards meeting starting immediately after the last person has eaten their fill.

The following is the menu:

Relish tray

Tossed salad

Chilled fruit

Oven roasted potatoes

Mexican corn

Home made cole slaw

Vegetable du jour

Baked pasta

Bread and Butter

The 2 meat entrees are: Carved Roast Beef and Chicken French.

Desert: Orange Cream Sicle Cake or similar item

Beverage: Coffee, Tea, Soda

The cost is \$20.00 per person which includes tax and tip. Pay as you enter a staff member at Keenan's will be collecting at the door.

A full **cash** bar service is available.

Please contact Tom by January 13, 2008 at 585 872 3193 or email starsmore@peoplepc.com to confirm your reservation and the number in your party.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

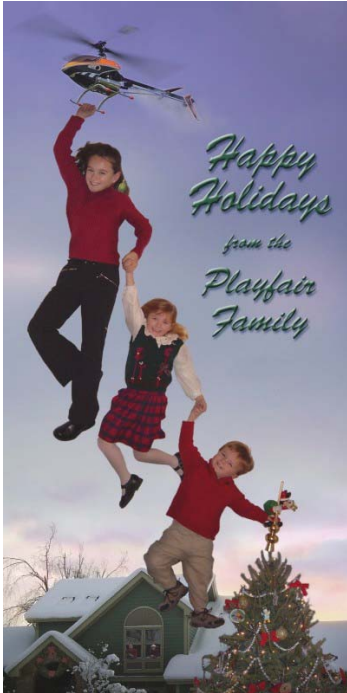
Dave Playfair

Our infamous winter weather has indeed arrived with a vengeance, even earlier than memory serves in recent years. A quick check of my "flight log" reveals that November was pretty "normal", providing 8 decent flying days for those that sought them out. December usually grants nearly as many, but the "icemen" have only braved two (2) so far, and those were partly due to the early completion of what was to be my "winter project". Just a reminder that we are a "full season" club, and one benefit (possibly the only?) of winter flying is the increased performance our engines and airfoils enjoy in the cool air. And of course, there are no bugs. So don't be too quick to put away that float plane or hand-launcher if the white stuff is impeding, and keep the fires burning!

As my final letter in 2008, I'd like to reflect on our accomplishments throughout the year. To name a few, we pulled off three successful fun fly's, provided good membership representation at other area events, installed new steel pavilions at each field, completed a table and flight station upgrade, purchased our very own commercial grill, gathered a few seasons worth of wood, hooked several new comers to our hobby, and maintained the dues discount while sustaining the health of our beloved club. Not too shabby!

Let me also take a moment to recognize the dedicated service of our Board of Directors, as their year-long selfless commitment to the club facilitates its prosperity. Thank you

guys, and thanks for your continued participation in 2009! A big thank you is also in order for the handful of members who continually support club efforts... These guys make sure the grunting tasks are carried through prior to thinking about picking a transmitter up. You make me very proud to be a part of the Rochester Aero Modeling Society, and insure my role isn't a burden.



See you at our 2009 New Years Day Fun Fly in a few weeks! Make sure your AMA is renewed so you can fly. The new RAMS membership application is online as well. The only change from last year is the inclusion of a referral line... Passionate about our hobby? Share it with your friends and coworkers, and for each referral membership you get \$10 off your 2010 dues! (some restrictions apply~)

That's it for this year. Have a happy and safe Holiday Season!

"Everything you can imagine is real" -Pablo Picasso

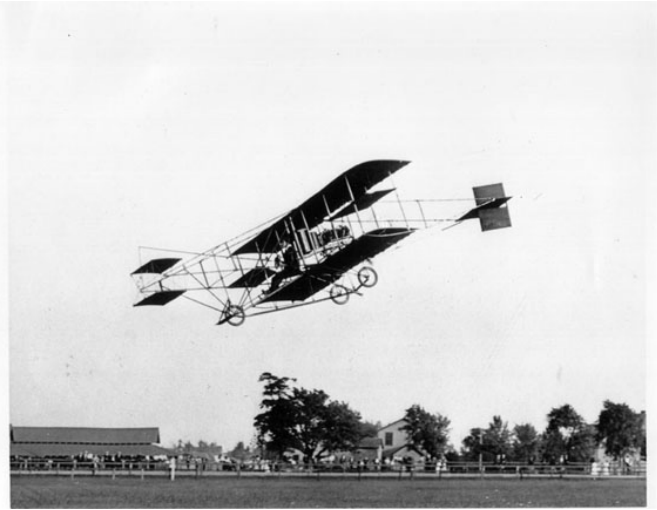
November Program

Andres Rodriquez



Those of you who were able to attend the November meeting got to see a great presentation by Bob Juncosa who shared with us the progress of a project underway at the Glenn Curtiss Museum in Hammondsport. They are building a full-scale replica of the Hudson Flier, a plane constructed in 1910 that flew the 150 miles from Albany to New York City on May 29, 1910. Bob has worked for over a year on this project and has created 3D computer drawings to help with estimating overall weight and CG of the plane. He was in Hammondsport just before our meeting and will have the latest information on the project. Bob demonstrated his proficient use of his 3D design as to how he was able to take the 2D drawings done by a member of the restoration group at the Curtiss Museum and convert them into actual prints from which the plane is being built.

3D model created by Bob Juncosa



DECEMBER BOD MEETING MINUTES

Jake Kirsch

The December 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 type="checkbox"/> Tom Starsmore (Community Affairs Director) |
| <input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Andres Rodriguez (Program Director) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alex Antonelli (Newsletter Editor) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carl VanVoorhis (Librarian) | |

Business:

- The November BOD meeting minutes were approved
- Jeff Fuller, the 2009 Program Director attended
- 2009 Rubsum, Broken Prop and Junior Achievement award recipients were decided
- Discussed member recruitment initiatives including advertising at offices and community bulletin boards and ideas for local hobby shops.
- Suggestion made for a 3rd event at Ontario with focus on attracting members and flying, versus community involvement and/or club income

NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES

Jake Kirsch

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

Guests: no guests

Program: Bob Juncosa gave a presentation on the Curtiss Hudson Flier full scale replica build and his work making 3-D drawings for the project.

Announcements:

- Nominations for Rubsum Award, Broken Prop Award and Junior Achievement Award need to be submitted before the December 15, 2008 BOD meeting
- The new shelter at Macedon has been installed

Business:

- The October Membership Minutes were approved
- Membership referral program is being integrated into the 2009 Membership application by Norm Roof and Dave Playfair
- Motion made by Jake Kirsch to vote in the 2009 Board of Directors Nominees by show of hands as all positions are uncontested for the Board of Directors. Motion seconded and passed, and the 2009 Board of Directors is as follows:
 - o President: David Playfair
 - o Vice President: Bob Hendrickson
 - o Treasurer: Al Bensley
 - o Secretary: Jacob Kirsch
 - o Macedon Field Director: Rod Curtis

- Fordham Field Director: Larry Clarke
- Membership Director: Jose Soler
- Macedon Safety Officer: Ray Stacy
- Ontario Safety Officer: John Dennis
- Newsletter Editor: Alex Antonelli
- Community Affairs Director: Tom Starsmore
- Program Director: Jeff Fuller
- Librarian: Carl VanVoorhis
- 2009 Budget was presented by Al Bensley
 - A motion was made by Warren Boudrie to amend the budget to re-add the \$250 to mail hard-copy to those members who presently get hard copies. Amendment was passed 14 to 11.
 - A motion was made by Jim Meyer to accept the proposed budget with the approved amendment. Motion was seconded by Dennis Ekwortzell and passed unanimously.

Show-n-Tell:

- Bob Juncosa showed a Balsa USA Fokker DR1 Triplane powered by a Zenoah 26cc gas engine



MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR REPORT

Jose Soler

Jose Soler reported the final membership count for 2008 is 149. This consists of 126 Sr., 22 Jr. and 1 associate members. The 2009 membership application is available on the RAMS web site. The 2009 dues will remain the same as 2008. The only change on the application is a line for referrals.

PICTURE OF THE MONTH



The R4D was the navy version of the Dakota, and like the Russian version of the plane, called the Lisunov Li-2, the R4D was equipped with bomb racks under the fuselage, typically used to carry depth charges for use against submarines.

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