
American Airlines Gas Model Club

- The Plane Facts -

AMA Charter 1983 - Founded March 30, 1938 - Cleveland, Ohio

December 2005

NEXT CLUB MEETING

Will be on Friday, December 2nd, at 8:00 p.m. in the North Community Room of the Busch Funeral Home at 7501 Ridge Rd, Parma, OH.

The American Airlines Gas Model Club meets here on the 1st Friday of each month from October through May. The AAGMC welcomes visitors at all regular meetings.

2005 AAGMC OFFICERS

President	Paul Bianco (440) 845-5954
V.Pres.	Dick Matejka
Secretary	Phil Hilbert
Treasurer	Jim Knodel
Sgt. at Arms	Mike Gantner

Elec. Media Coord.	Don King
Webmaster	Ed Pomnitz
Club Photog.	Ed Muckley
Newsletter Editor	Phil Hilbert

2005 MEMBERSHIP DUES

Open Members	\$55.00/yr.
Senior (17-18)	8.00
Junior (<17)	5.00

Web site > <http://www.aa-gmc.org/> <

Wow, Christmas is almost here already. Get that list ready for your favorite Santa. All I'm going to ask for another great year of weather like the one we just had. He is probably the wrong saint, but I'll ask anyway. We managed two more Saturdays following the November meeting. The temperature was mild, but the winds were not. It was still good enough for flying an old knock around or glider. The field is in really good condition for the kick off of next year's season. The bridge is holding up well so far thanks to the parties that put time and materials into it. It would be a good for someone to spend some time clearing the debris that has gathered upstream of the bridge before the Spring thaw. The bridge should fair well if the water flows under as opposed to over the bridge. We only need a couple of member to spend a half hour or so of their time.

In case you don't have a Santa, the December meeting will feature some great raffle items again. We should have several kits this time. Jim Knodel may bring another plane he is donating to the raffle. And, if you missed the last meeting, be sure to congratulate the 2006 Officers

that were elected. Well, ok, the new member. Congratulations to Ken Stroud our new Secretary. Thanks Ken. The complete results are in the meeting minutes below.

- FROM THE BOARD -

From the Pres.....

Please keep Mrs. (Jim) Knodel in your thoughts and prayers as she is temporarily in a nursing home. Our thoughts are with you Jim. Our December meeting will include a special presentation from Cal Weiss. It is so special, I can't even discuss it in the Newsletter, so get on over to the meeting and enjoy. We will also have our annual XMAS raffle (some significant items) and to keep Henry quite in the back row, we will also raffle off one "OH HENRY" candy bar. Sweets for the un-sweet? See you at the meeting....

Minutes Of Meeting November, 2005

Meeting called to order by President Paul Bianco on November 4th, 2005 at the Busch Funeral Home at 8:15 p.m. with 28 members present. There were no visitors or new members present.

The Minutes of the October meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer made his monthly report. The Club had net income from the Summer events including a \$100 donation from the Buzzard Air Force for use of our field. The Treasurer's report was accepted as read.

Notices and Communications:

- The Westlake club that recently lost their field is looking for a club to join up with until they secure a new site.
- G&S Graphics information available for anyone interested in custom graphics
- Akron ARCS Swap Shop on November 19th has a new location.

Old Business:

- AAGMC stick on patches delivered by Henry Horn

New Business:

Election of 2006 Officers

Nominations:

- President – Paul Bianco
- V. President – Dick Matejka
- Secretary – Jim Stroud
- Treasurer – Jim Knodel
- Sgt. At Arms – Mike Gantner
- News Letter Editor – Phil Hilbert

- Webmaster – Ed Pomnitz
- Electronic Media Coordinator – Don King
- Club Photographer – Ed Muckley

The 2006 Officers were elected by unanimous vote as nominated.

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Respectively submitted,
Phil Hilbert, Secretary

Club raffle:

Raffle items courtesy of Parma Hobbies except the Hitech charger contributed by Al Seidowski.
E-Flite Ultimate FX30 3D Electric ARF kit – Ed & Zack Pomnitz

Hitech charger – Robert Franklin

CA Glue – Joe Toth, Don King, Tony Lacerda

Balsa Filler – Marvin King

Anonymous owner auctioned a vintage Fox Eagle 0.61 engine. Lone bidder took a great engine home for five dollars.

Notices

Don King is trying to compile a list of all the member Channel Frequencies. If you have not given this info to Don, please be sure to do so at the next meeting, or send it to Don via email: dvk44039@alltel.net

If you have been keeping up with the reading in your AMA Model Aviation News, you may have noticed that the rules have changed. In the Radio Control section, a new rule first rule was added:

“1. All model flying shall be conducted in a manner to avoid over flight of unprotected people.” Should sound vaguely familiar such as “Flying over the pit area is prohibited”. We have followed this rule for many years. In as much as this sounds totally obvious, the folk that make our rules at the AMA must be aware of practices to the contrary and spelled this out in plain English. I can see some further debate in the future in regards to our Electric competition which does not precisely adhere to this rule. What may be of more concern, however is how we react when our neighbors take a casual ride in the field in front and below our flight path. This may be a topic for the board to discuss in the future. In addition to the new rule, the language was changed regarding persons prohibited from the flightline. The flightline has been renamed the *Safety line* and as before, only personnel flying or assisting those flying may be in front of the *Safety line*. We actually have two lines and I would consider the second line (farthest from the runway) to be our *Safety line* and we do follow a norm that only those actively engaged in flying or assisting are in front of the *Safety line* or “in the box”.

Most of us are well aware of this rule and adhere to it. But with the recent influx of new members, it is best to overstate our safety rules than not.

Electric news

Remember to get your ideas together for the Rules meeting following the regular January meeting.

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For those that have not talked with Don and Marvin King or Mike Gantner recently, you should know that we have a growing interest in Slope Flying. We have at least a half dozen or so members that are getting down to Edgewater Park on a regular basis.



**Mike Gantner heads for the flight line**

We also have the Slope Kings (with Mike as an adopted brother) that go to a hill somewhere down south around Canton. Here are a couple of pics of all the fun you may be missing.



**If you are tired of the same old Horse crap at the field you can try out some Bull crap for a change**

If you think you may want to give this a try, talk to Don King. He is currently kitting a foam Slope ship that can be had for a really reasonable cost. As always, his expert advise is free.

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I may have to work the night of the next meeting, so if I don't see you next Friday, here is wishing you and yours a very Happy Holiday!

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Your comments are welcome. Send them or any news that may be used in the newsletter to:

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