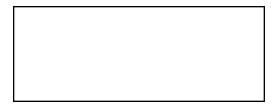
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Merry Christmas Circle Masters, it's holiday time already. This coming Saturday is not just our meeting, but it is also the day for our annual Christmas party. I sure hope all of you will make the trip to Sussex and join in on the fun. Perhaps some of you folks who are unable to make it to the meetings on a monthly basis would put forth the effort to be present for the party. It really is enjoyable to visit with everyone. Remember that wives and other family members are encouraged to come along and celebrate. There is always plenty of food to go around.

Do you take the time to read the emails that the AMA sends every month? One of the latest messages contains a survey that headquarters must be using to judge the membership. As we all know, we control line flyers are a small minority compared to the R/C folks. With the quad copter people thrown into the mix, we shrink even more. If the survey was sent to you, please answer the questions and send it in. Making it known that we are here, practicing a traditional form of aeromodeling, can only help our cause. You know when it comes to the drones, I am not a fan. These machines seem to invite problems and draw scrutiny from the Federal Aviation Administration and other government agencies. The AMA sees the quad community as a huge potential source for new members, something that is mighty hard to come by these days. We need the AMA for insurance and sanctioning, so we are likely stuck with the drones. Fill out the survey, when you are offered the opportunity to be heard, take advantage of it.

How are your building projects coming along? Mine were going great. Lately, I have been focused on hunting and other pursuits like getting ready for winter, so my building discipline has been suffering. Do as I say, not as I do. Remember that one from when your old man, who burned a couple packs of camels a day told you not to smoke? Get in that shop and build!

If you were in attendance at the November meeting, and not that many of you were, you witnessed the vote that elevated out former long time treasurer, Ralph K. to permanent member status. Nobody deserves our recognition more than Ralph. He has taken on the role of treasurer for as long as most members can recall. And all that with a smile and overall cheerful attitude. Ralph was presented with a plaque as has been an established tradition when one of our guys is so honored. There's a picture in here of ralph being presented with his award. Also in this issue is a short promotional from Russ Knetzger regarding the *Model Engine Collectors Association*. Name That Plane is here too.

See you at the party, not going is a shortcut to the naughty list.

Howard



CIRCLE MASTERS FLYING CLUB Meeting Minutes for NOVEMBER 2016

The November meeting of the Circle Masters Flying Club was held at on the first Saturday of November at the Sussex Public Library. The calendar indicates that the flying season has ended but it was nice enough on this day for flying, but we did none of that.

The meeting was brought to order by V.P. President Melissa @ 1:05 PM. All members (9) had received the October newsletter and had reviewed and approved the minutes from that months meeting.

The treasurer's report was presented by club Secretary and temporary treasurer Wayne. He outlined the financial activity for the club during the past month. His report was approved.

<u>REPORTS & ANNOUCEMENTS</u>: Wayne reported on the results of the most recent R/C Association meeting. There were no representatives from the Pebble Creek Flyers there so we did not get any more feedback on our joint venture flying. There was a discussion regarding the Maker Faire and it was decided to explore the possibility of the association joining it.

<u>OLD BUSINESS</u>: A brief discussion regarding the 2017 club contest was just a rehash of info previously discussed.

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>: Regarding next months Christmas Party/Meeting: Melissa will be emailing members to remind all to bring something to pass around as in past parties. Jason reported that he will secure dates for the 2017 season at the next Park Board meeting. Wayne will secure this location for 2017 meetings. The election of officers was postponed until next month as was any discussion regarding the club By-Laws. Ralph K. was awarded permanent member status by unanimous vote of members present and given a plaque to commemorate the occasion.

WEB BUSINESS: None

All business having been discussed, Melissa asked for a motion to adjourn. It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 1:50 PM.

SHOW AND TELL: None

Submitted by: Wayne M. Schmidt, Secretary. Amended by: Howard Olson, Editor 11/23/2016

PLEASE BRING A DISH OR TREAT TO PASS FOR THE PARTY ON SATURDAY. WE WILL BRING SLOPPY JOES AS USUAL AND JASON IS BRINGING THE BUNS. ANY OTHER HOLIDAY PARTY FOODS ARE NEEDED TO MAKE THE SEASON BRIGHT!

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December Meeting and Christmas Party: Saturday December 3rd, Pauline Haass Public Library, Main Street in Sussex. Party begins at Noon. Short meeting to follow. Bring something to share.

January Meeting: Saturday January 7th, Pauline Haass Public Library, Main Street in Sussex. Meeting at 1:00 PM Social hour begins at Noon with movies etc.

Swap meet: Sunday January 8th at the Waukesha Expo Center.

February Meeting: Saturday February 4th, Pauline Haass Public Library, Main Street in Sussex. Meeting at 1:00 PM Social hour begins at Noon with movies etc.

Wisconsin Control Line Championships AAA contest: Sunday June 4th, Muckwonago High school.





GOOD LUCK WITH THIS ONE. YES IT IS A REAL PLANE



Our hard working treasurer (retired) Ralph receives his Permanent Member award from VP Melissa and club secretary Wayne at the November meeting.

Old Model Engines

by Russell Knetzger, Secty., Milw. R/C Assoc., Nov., 2016

Do you own old model engines to sell, or want to buy, or are looking for spare parts, or for expert help with running them?

Within the AMA-Academy of Model Aeronautics, are special interest groups, one of which is "M.E.C.A.- the <u>"Model Engine Collectors Association"</u>, formed in 1964. They focus on model engines, airplane as well as cars and marine, for glow, diesel, or electric.

MECA has 487 members nationwide, and 24 are listed on its Wisconsin roster. A Milwaukee area member is Donald Adriano who lives near West Bend. His contact info is 2284 Brookside Drive, Jackson, WI 53037-8926, tel.262-677-2835. The most recent SE Wisconsin Swap Meet was held during the morning of Saturday, October 8, 2016, at the American Legion Post in Greendale, at 6351 W. Grange Avenue. At the winter Milw. R/C Association meeting Feb.18,2017, Don will be submitting the Wis. M.E.C.A. to join the other 18 clubs in the Association.

Now is the perfect time to join M.E.C.A. for 2017 to begin receiving its bi-monthly newsletter. Dues are \$40 a year if you want the newsletter mailed to your home, or \$20 a year if you can download it yourself via your email. The website for MECA is "http/www.modelenginecollectors.org.."

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