



Academy of Model Aeronautics

Chartered Club #970
5 Year Gold Leader Club

Skypwriter

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE...

BY: Joe Hass

FABULOUS FISH FRY!!!

Bob and Donna Burns, along with Al McGee, Steve Fredericks, Pete and Carolynn Foss, Greg Cardillo, Ron Socacz, Jack Fleming, Mike Holmes and many others put together what was the best Fish Fry ever. Over 110 members, family and friends came together on August 17 for the feast. The weather held until everyone had their fill. Joe Rubinstein had his new CAP, Gary Weeks wowed the crowd with his Patriot and the students filled the sky. The flight lines were full except for dinner time when everything stopped to enjoy the sumptuous spread. Some of our new members commented that they could not believe the level of involvement we SKYMASTERS share every day. This is the best club anywhere! Thanks to all for a fantastic evening.

Mark Smith continues with the Inter-Club Fun Fly. This is a great chance to have fun, improve your skills and meet and fly with other area clubs. Give Mark a call for the next event.

The Midwest Regional Float Fly is just a few weeks (*days*) away (September 10 and 11) and the work continues. CD Greg Cardillo is feverishly working through all the details to make sure that this 15th year is the best ever. Register early!

The speaker schedule is filling in nicely with another year of great meetings in store for us.

This month's message is short as work is keeping me very busy and I am trying to get my fleet ready for the float fly. I write this as Chris has just headed off to school (way too early). Time sure does move quickly.

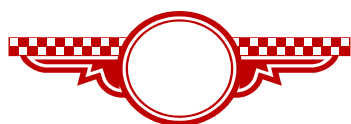
See you at the field!
Joe Hass 248-321-7934



Joe Hass' and Gary Weeks' Patriots take off for a little formation flying at the Corn Roast.

2005 Club Officers & Appointees...

President:	Joe Hass	1142 Brunswick Dr.	Rochester Hills 48309	248-321-7934
Vice Pres:	Paul Zabawa	PO Box 138	Metamora	48455 810-678-3332
Secretary:	Dave Wendt	4549 Sedona	Clarkston	48348 248-969-8738
Treasurer:	Joe Rubinstein	155 Cayuan	Lake Orion	48362 248-693-4265
Editor:	Pete Foss	562 Tanview Dr.	Oxford	48371 248-236-0676
C F I :	Ron Sokacz	40714 Matlock	Sterling Hts	48310 586-977-1404
State Park:	Bill Stark	1010 E. Clarkston	Lake Orion	48362 248-693-8639
Membership:	Gary Weeks	2512 Red Fox Trail	Troy	48098 248-540-8358



Inter Club Fun Fly July 23, 2005 Holly Cloud Hoppers Field



For Sale: Tiger Moth Biplane Park Flyer by GWS includes 3 channel Hitec Transmitter, 2 flight batteries and charger. Flown and trimmed. Over \$300.00 list. Yours for \$75.00 for the package.

Futaba Conquest 4 channel FM system (Channel 36). NEW in box! Servos installed but never used. Futaba FP-R127DF 7 channel receiver (the good one). 4 FP-S 148 standard servos. The airborne package and batteries are worth the price. Yours for \$75.00

Futaba Attack 4 channel AM transmitter (Channel 54) with 4 channel MCR-4A 4 channel receiver and electronic speed control. NEW! NiCad's in transmitter. Yours for \$25.00. Have Hitec AM receivers if you are interested.

Joe Hass 248-321-7934 joe Hass@gmail.com

STONY CREEK FLOAT FLYING



The Skymasters and the Fraser Flying Clubs have joined forces again this year to promote float flying at Stony Creek Metro Park.

Starting May 4th, every Wednesday weather permitting there will be flying at Winter Cove from 9:00 - 12:00. After entering the park follow the signs to the boat launch & golf course, Winter Cove is on the right after you pass the golf course. Stony Creek is west of Van Dyke (M-53) on 26 mile road. There is a \$4.00 daily park fee or annual park pass is available.

**“Get your floats on and join us at
Winter Cove every Wednesday”**

For information contact: Jim Held 248-641-9724
jimwheld6651@wideopenwest.com



THE FISH FRY August 17, 2005



This year's edition of the fish fry was an absolute hoot. Bob and Donna Burns brought all the fish and several of us brought burners, pots, pans, baskets, etc. to cook it in. As I remember, we had fish: batter fried, pan fried, grilled, cedar planked and blackened. Next year I'll have to bring some sushi and then we'll have it every way I can think of.

Pete Foss



Warbirds and Scale August 7, 2005

Well, another Warbirds and scale event has passed us by and once again Mother Nature provided us with a spectacular day for this event. As always, I make a very unscientific count of airplanes and pilots and this meet continues to fill up the pits. When I counted (not all pilots had showed up yet), we had 65 airplanes either ready to fly, or in the stages of getting ready.

I started the meet 15 minutes late to allow a few pilots to maiden their new planes, as our Warbirds and Scale meet is AMA sanctioned and it is necessary that no maiden flights occur during a sanctioned event.

Although I would like to take credit for the full scale Pitts biplane that performed for us, I was just as surprised as the rest of you when it occurred. I have my suspicions as to who it was, but I will wait until they confess.

Chris Tucker supplied both winning entries in this year's pilot's choices, taking military honors with his Byron P-51, and civilian with his Cessna 150

This year saw the return of something I did not like and that was the crash factor. We had several mishaps and a few ships appeared to be totaled. I have never been able to get used to that sound of one of our creations meeting terra firma too quickly.

I believe this meet is now our second biggest one, only trailing the float fly in terms of number of airplanes and participants

Hope to see you next year, perhaps I will finally have my Dauntless ready to go!

Joe Finkelstine *(Looks like a great event. Sorry I missed it this year.—Pete)*



Warbirds and Scale August 7, 2005



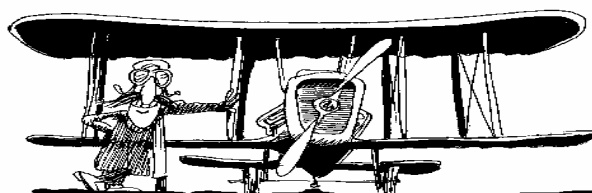
AREA EVENTS...

AMRCC CONTEST SCHEDULE

September 10th and 11th
Midwest Regional Float Fly
Island Lake State Park, Brighton - 9:30 AM

This is the big one! Float flyers from all over the Midwest bring all sizes, shapes, and color of aircraft imaginable and fly them for two days solid. A blast! Flying starts at 9:30 AM both days!

September 14th and 28th
Club Meeting
Larson Middle School
Troy, MI
7:30-9:30



SKYMASTERS "SEPTEMBER 2005"

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7 Float Fly at Stony Creek	8	9	10 MWRFF Float Fly
11 MWRFF Float Fly	12	13	14 Club Meeting Float Fly at Stony Creek	15	16	17 Float Fly at 7 Lakes
18	19	20	21 Float Fly at Stony Creek	22	23	24 Float Fly at 7 Lakes
25	26	27	28 Club Meeting Float Fly at Stony Creek	29	30	1 Float Fly at 7 Lakes

Corn Roast and Top Gun August 7, 2005

The 15th annual Skymasters Corn Roast and "Top Gun" competition is history with Mark Smith the best of the best in this year's fly off.

Mark flew a very aggressive routine with many low passes and wild maneuvers that wowed the crowd and put him in first place. Mark flew his own design fun fly type aircraft to the big win. Thirteen year old Chris Hass came in second flying an electric powered foam fun fly aircraft called the Adrenaline. Chris flew his routine to the theme from "Star Wars". Joe Hass, the "Top Gun" winner for 2004 came in third flying his electric powered Banshee to a musical selection from the movie "Rocky".

There were no casualties during the competition. Joe Hass and Gary weeks warmed up the crowd with a flight with their Patriots. Gary's aircraft was in the "Silver Bullet" colors while Joe's was in the Patriot red white and blue colors. Both aircraft had retracts. Photographer Greg Cardillo got a great picture of the two Patriots in close formation as Gary and Joe burned up the sky with simultaneous, matching rolls, loops and more.

As always, a host of Skymasters pulled together to bring off this years event. The entire Steve Fredericks family got together to get a grate to the field for the corn. Gary Weeks "marinated" 12 dozen ears of corn and did all the corn cooking. Mike Jones did the shopping to make sure there were plenty of burgers, hot dogs and chicken. Harold Reuter did the honors chopping onions. Greg Cardillo and Pete Foss manned the grill to cook up the selections and sauté the onions. Margaret McMahan, Chris Hass grandmother, brought out a couple of her famous sugar cream pies. Nobody left hungry.

Sport flying continued after the competition as everyone enjoyed the sunny skies.

Many more volunteers helped with the clean up as the day wound to a close. With a 15 year tradition, many pilots announce their plans for next year's event. It should be a good one.



Top Gun 2004 Joe Hass congratulates
Top Gun 2005 Mark Smith on his hard fought victory.



SKYMASTERS RADIO CONTROL CLUB OF MICHIGAN

Pete Foss
562 Tanview Dr.
Oxford, MI. 48371

Web site: www.skymasters.org
 Email: newsletter@skymasters.org



PHOTOGRAPHY by
 Greg Cardillo

HOME OF THE

 "MIDWEST REGIONAL FLOAT FLY"

Skymasters Information.....

Skymasters field is located within the Bald Mountain State Park on Scripps Road (see map). State Park Permits are required and can be obtained from the Park Headquarters located on Green-shield Road or at club events. Flying is permitted from 10 AM to 8 PM. The noise limit for 2005 is 94 dBA at 10 feet—this noise rule is strictly enforced.

In the summer, Wednesday evenings are Student Nights and there are usually instruc-

tors around all night is also a pot luck buffet, bring something for the grill & a dish to pass. Meet the Instructors and arrange for more instruction time together on other days. Our Chief Flight Instructor is Ron Sokacz (586) 977-1404.

SCRIPPS ROAD FIELD



WINTER MEETINGS



From June to August, Club meetings are held at the field, on the second Wednesday of

the month at 8 PM. A great chance to fly and socialize. Winter meetings—September to May—are held at Larson Middle School (on Long Lake just east of John R—see map) on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:30 PM. Bring a model for Show and Tell, enjoy coffee with donuts and listen to the speaker of the evening.

The Skywriter newsletter is sent to members, local hobby shops, and other R/C clubs in the area and around the country. All contributions are welcome. Please send articles to the Editor. If you know of anyone who may be interested in R/C Aviation, please give them a copy of this newsletter or a copy of an AMA magazine. It may spark their interest!