



Chartered Club #970
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Skywriter

WARBIRDS & SCALE



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President's Message...

As the summer fly's by, I finally have my feet planted in Michigan as I write this month's letter – still late of course...

The Past Month

Mother Nature sent some very hot weather our way this month. Our Warbirds and Scale event was a big success, as was our second annual Helicopter Fly In. See pictures and details inside. Our Student Days and Nights and Stony Creek Float Flying continued as weather allowed... Thanks to all that have helped out to run our events! Your efforts are appreciated.

Upcoming Events

Our flying events continue for August.. Our annual Fish Fry will be on Wednesday, August 10th. This year the club will be supplying the fish! Just bring a dish to pass, and your beverage (non-alcoholic) of choice and come enjoy!! (If you prefer other meats – bring them along. We'll still have the grill going too!

The next DNR Stewardship Work Day is Saturday, August 13th... They are again looking for help to cut glossy buckthorn from areas around Graham Lakes. For those attending, insure you sign in as a Skymaster. We do receive credit against our lease for

hours worked at these events!

Our Corn Roast and Top Gun is on August 28th. (Some earlier publications had the wrong date so please check your calendar!) Bring your families and come out for a day of food and flying. Food and beverage provided by the club for this one.

And just around the corner is our Midwest Regional Float Fly! September 10th and 11th

available for those wanting to spend the night. Come to fly... Come to help out... Come to enjoy the flying and fun!

Student Days continue on Mondays– from 10am till 2pm... and Student Night on Wednesdays from 3pm till 8pm – with pot luck dinner at 6pm... Remember we eat rain or shine – so come out and enjoy! Just bring some meat for the grill, a dish to pass, and

your beverage choice (non-alcoholic) – and come enjoy! Families always welcome! Stony Creek Float Flying also continues on Wednesday mornings.

Welcome Visitors, and Students

Visitors and students are welcome at our field and events anytime! Come out and see what this hobby is about. You will find a welcoming group of members and their families – and often (weather and available equipment allowing) have a chance to try flying one of our planes with the guidance of dual controls and an instructor. We

are always looking to introduce people to our hobby. For the Skymasters, thank you for all you do to make our visitors and students feel welcome.

Happy Landings!

Greg Cardillo



are the dates down at Island Lake Recreation Area. You can pre-register now on our website. If you haven't been to this event before – we have averages over 80 pilots with 150 planes all flying off the beautiful waters of Kent Lake. Self contained camping is

WARBIRDS & SCALE



The 2011 Warbirds and scale meet is now history. Historically, this meet has been well attended and this year's turnout was no exception. Last time I looked , we had 30 pilots registered and over 40 planes entered into the pilots choice contest.

The weather was quite hot, and I think we had more than a few people spending lots of time in the shade!

This year brought out many classes of aircraft for both civilian and warbirds. From the warbirds sec-

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tion, we had representation from WWI, WWII, and some jets from all ages. The civilians were as always well represented with a combination of Cubs, Waco's, Cessna's and few oddballs I could not remember to write down. I was hoping to get our first scale helicopter this year, but to no avail - I will have to wait at least one more year for that.

One thing that became quite a bit more obvious this year is that the difference now between the fastest and slowest aircraft in this meet has grown so large, that I think we are going to have to put in some more controls next year. A fast EDF jet and a slow WWI biplane do not mix well, and it is time to probably make specific times for the fast jets so they can have the sky to themselves for a bit, then let the majestic ones to the sky.

I have been running this meet now for over a decade and the planes I see continue to evolve. Electric is taking over as the most prevalent power source, and I will continue to say, I prefer an internal combustion engine on a warbird. Yes, I own several electric planes myself, but in particular, the sound of a rumbling multi-cylinder engine goes well with a warbird.

The success of the kitchen and refreshments was headed up by Bill Dezure and he did an outstanding job standing over a hot grill in near 100 degree temperatures. Several other folks also helped out including our contest director, Greg Brausa, as well as several people who pitched in at various times that I did not get a chance to write their names down - thank you all.

One of these years, I am going to have to let someone else take the controls of the meet, as I am finally nearing the point of having planes I can actually fly in this meet!

I wish you always leave the field with as many parts as you bring.

Joe Finkelstine

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ON THE WING



Gary Weak has Won the “Carl Goldberg Vital People Award” for 2010!

Members who go above and beyond to support model aviation, our clubs, and our members. They do this quietly, sometimes in the background, and often ask for little in return other than maybe an occasional “thank you.”

In 1983, Carl and Beth Goldberg asked the Academy of Model Aeronautics to help create an award to recognize these types of individuals. The Carl & Beth Goldberg Vital People Award, it is presented annually to “vital people in the background of the model aviation whose efforts enhance the enjoyment of the hobby and whose accomplishments are seldom formally acknowledged.”

Congratulation Gary!

Courtesy of Model Aviation

Weekend Float Flying at Trout Lake!

We are happy to announce Skymasters have two Saturdays in August to Float Fly at Bald Mountain Trout Lake Beach. This is a trial to see if it works out with the other activities at the beach. If there are no problems we will have a place to float fly this fall and all of the following years!

Members who work were only able to float fly in the spring & fall. Hopefully that will change and we will be able to float fly every weekend, all season long at Trout Lake.

We will be flying on the 20th & 27th this month from 8am till 11am. Mark Smith will be providing his boat for airplane retrieval.

Electric Flyers - the Apprentice & the T-28 make great float planes, buy floats and fly off water!

Come out and get ready for the MWRFF.

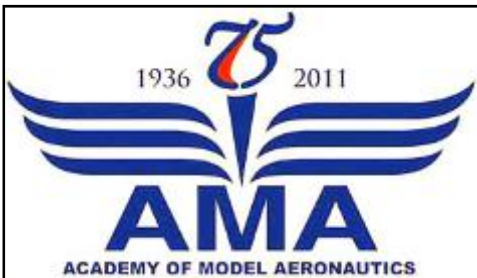
Midwest Regional Float Fly

We are looking for members to help at the MWRFF.

Pete Foss is heading up this years event, the Largest Float Fly in the country, maybe the World! It takes many members to make this meet a success. If you can volunteer a few hours of your time it will make it easier on all the other workers at this event.

We need people to setup, beach workers to pick up planes from the boats, help in the kitchen, the impound, registration, raffle, flight line and tear down. This is a must see event for all flyers, come out to help, see what Float Flying is all about.

See you there!



Skymasters Apparel

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6 HOLLY OPEN HOUSE
7 RCCD WOW	8	9	10 STONY & FISH FRY	11 MICHIGAN JETS	12 MICHIGAN JETS	13 MICHIGAN JETS
14 MICHIGAN JETS	15	16	17 STONY & STUDENT	18	19	20 TROUT LAKE FLOAT FLYING
21 PMAC ELECTRIC	22	23	24 STONY & STUDENT	25	26	27 TROUT LAKE FLOAT FLYING
28 CORN ROAST	29	30	31 STONY & STUDENT	1	2	LABOR DAY WEEKEND



Skymasters R/C Club

We'll Teach you to fly!

Join the Skymasters Radio Control
Club for an R/C Aircraft Event

Corn Roast and Top Gun

Sunday August 21, 2011

Bald Mountain Scripps Road Field

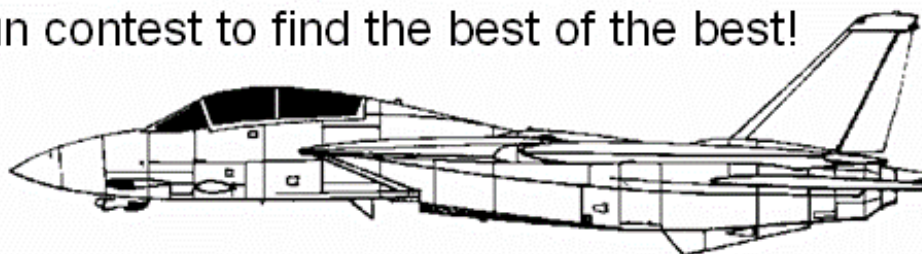
Club members, their families, and our Scripps Road neighbors:
Please join us for our annual Corn Roast and Top Gun event

Free food and drinks available

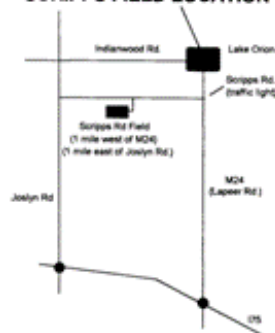
Open flying throughout the day starting at 10am

Annual Top Gun contest to find the best of the best!

94dBa at 10
feet
enforced.



SCRIPPS FIELD LOCATION



- Lots of Parking
- Refreshments available at event
- Toilet located at field
- Great chance to see this exciting hobby!

Flying field is located within the Bald Mountain Recreation Area, about 5 miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills on Scripps Road between Lapeer Rd (M24) and Joslyn Rd.

All vehicles registered after 10/1/2010 need a Recreation Passport
(available from Secretary of State or DNR)

For more information call Greg Cardillo- 248-431-5562

Visit our website at www.skymasters.org



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15th Annual Fish Fry!

Wednesday August 10, 2011

Bald Mountain Scripps Road Field



Fish Fry:

For those participating we ask:

Fish provided by the Club!

Bring a dish to pass (see note)

Bring your own (non-alcoholic) beverage

(if you prefer a different main dish, we will be running the grill...)

We eat at 6pm – rain or shine!

Student Night:

**Instructors available
all day (weather
permitting)**

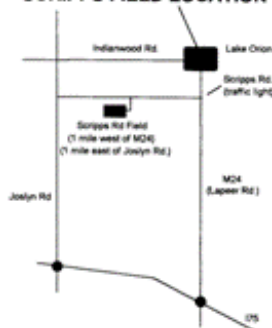
**Open flying – with
priority to student
flights**



Rain or Shine! "We always eat, we sometimes fly!"

94dBa at 10 feet enforced.

SCRIPPS FIELD LOCATION



•Dish to pass: Don't know what to bring?

Each week a board will be up listing supplies needed – from plates to condiments, charcoal, etc. Pick one of the needed items to bring instead! *Donations used to purchase fish and supplies.*

The Fish Fry is sustained by those participating with no expense to club.

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Midwest Regional Float Fly

Saturday/Sunday September 10-11, 2011

Island Lake Recreation Area, Brighton, Michigan

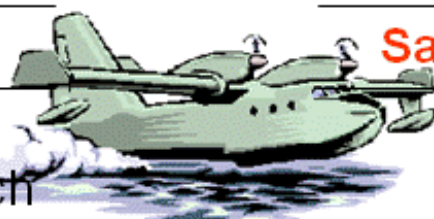
Check in at 8:30AM; Event flying from 9:30AM each day!

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Super Prize!

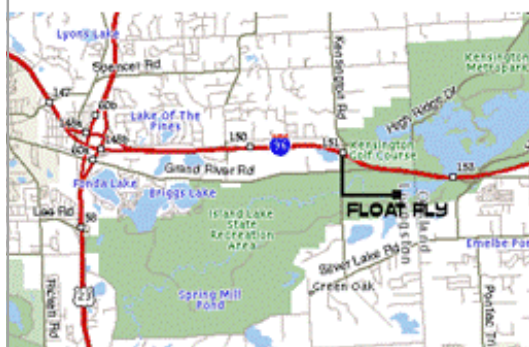
Judged Competition



Saturday Night Dinner

40 acre clear lake
1,000 feet sand beach
6 acre lawn/picnic area
Flying open to AMA members

As seen in
**SKS Videos and
February 2009 Flying
Models Magazine**



- Lots of Parking
- Refreshments available at event
- Pilot Door Prizes
- Great chance to see this exciting hobby!

**Public
Welcome!**

Island Lake Recreation Area is located on the south side of I-96 at Kensington Road. 12 miles west of I-96/I-275 or 3 miles east of I-96/US-23.

Vehicles - See reverse for Recreation Passport information

For more information call Pete Foss 248-236-0676

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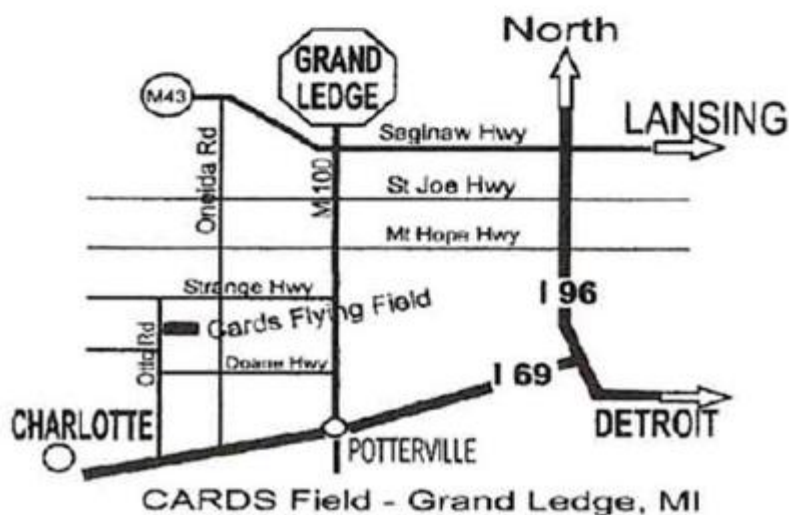
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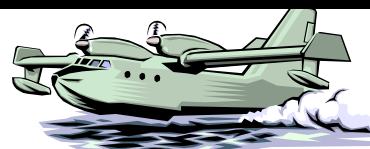
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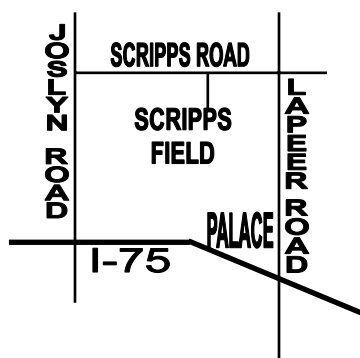


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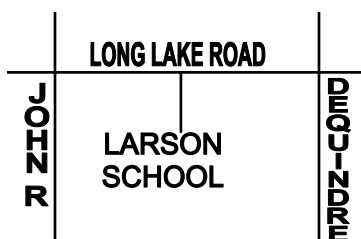
Skymasters field is located within the Bald Mountain State Park on Scripps Road (see map). State Park Permits are required and can be obtained from the Park Headquarters located on Greenshield Road or at club events. Flying is permitted from 10 AM to 8 PM. The noise limit is 94 dBA at 10 feet—this noise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

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

SCRIPPS ROAD FIELD



WINTER MEETINGS



tors around all day. Student 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.

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 7:00 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!