

official digital newsletter of

Skywriter

AMA Charter Club #970

www.skymasters.org

24 year Gold Leader Club

Skymasters Radio Control Club of Michigan

it's another beautiful day at Skymasters...

March, 2023



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Happy March!

We survived a couple of ice storms last month without even losing power, whew! Hopefully March will be better weather. Remember every Tuesday from 9-12 the flying conditions are perfect indoors at UWMSC!

A bunch of us did sneak out to the field one afternoon for some winter flying. Mike Jones brought out a couple of glow powered helicopters to work on. He and Paul G. were able to get both of them flying... see photo next page.

The club meeting at Seymour Lake Park on Thursday 2/16 was a victim of one of the ice storms. We cancelled in-person but Joe Rubinstein led a very interesting chat about 3D CAD modeling. Paul also chatted about his 3D printed chassis adaptor to install a OMP M2 helicopter inside a Revell model Huey kit. It flies great and Brian V has also worked one up. Really cool to see typical plastic model kits made into flyable helicopters (look for an article in a future newsletter).

The next club meeting is on March 16th at Seymour Lake Park and online on Zoom at 7PM. It's the annual "In The Bones" meeting where we all bring in winter projects. Hope to see you there or on zoom!

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Fly Safe!

Pete

Pete Foss, President

Skymasters RC

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Editor's note: You may notice that this month's newsletter is a bit light. All our regular columnists are burned out! So how about someone step forward and start your own column? We ALL have something to contribute, right? One article or many, its all good. Email me at newsletter@skymasters.org



Several Skymasters were in attendance a couple weeks ago at a party for past member, WW2 vet and indoor flyer Brownie Kowalczyk's 99 birthday! See more details shared on the club Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/skymastersrc>

Front Cover

Mike Jones (left) with Paul Goelz, at the field working on getting Mike's helis in the air. We were successful!

Pete Foss photo

February Indoor Flying

Click anywhere in the collage to view the entire photo album on the Skymasters web site





Skymasters R/C Club

We'll Teach you to fly!

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

In The Bones!

Thursday March 16th, 2023
7PM-9PM

Oxford Senior Center at Seymour Lake Park
2795 Seymour Lake Road, Oxford MI 48371

Bring in your winter RC projects!
Scratch builds

Kits
ARF's
RTF

Come show us what you have new to fly!



For more information email president@skymasters.org
Visit our website at www.skymasters.org



30th ANNUAL

FLINT'S R/C SWAP MEET

SPONSORED BY
The Flying Aces R/C Club
Swartz Creek, MI

**OVER
120 Tables
Available**


**DEALERS
WELCOME**

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| <p>SUNDAY April 2, 2023 Public Admitted At 9 AM until 12 PM</p> | <p>LAKE FENTON HIGH SCHOOL 4070 Lahring Rd, Linden , MI 48451 42° 51' 32"N 83° 45' 5" W SEE MAP BELOW AND CHECK OUT OUR WEB SITE WWW.RCFLYINGACES.COM FOR DETAILED DIRECTIONS</p> |
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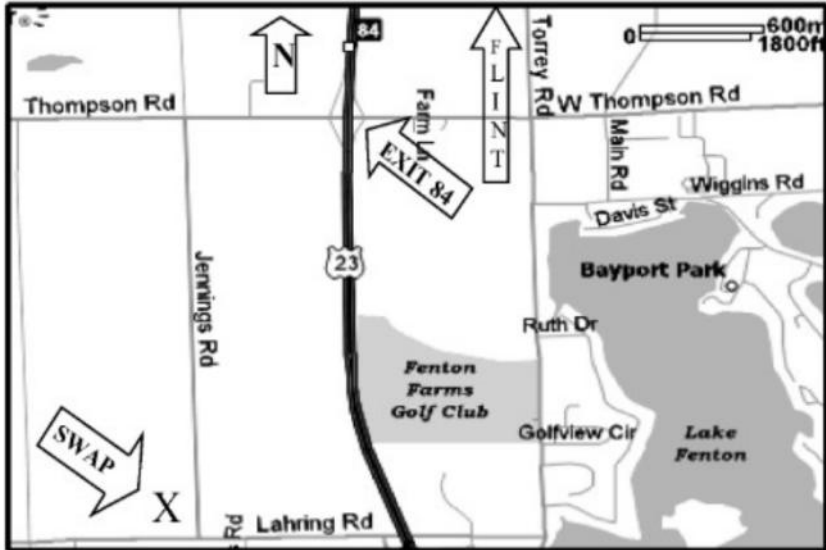
CONCESSION UNAVAILABLE BECAUSE of COVID

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| ▶ Airplanes | 50/50 Drawings | Helicopters ◀ |
| ▶ Kits | Door Prizes | Gliders ◀ |
| ▶ Boats | Supplies | Cars ◀ |

COFFEE WILL BE AVAILABLE

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| <p>ADVANCE TABLE REGISTRATION \$20.00, INCLUDES ONE ADMISSION. (IF RECEIVED BY MAR. 27, 2023). EACH ADDITIONAL TABLE IS \$12.00. TABLES AT THE DOOR \$22.00 ADMISSION FOR EACH ADULT \$5.00; 17 AND UNDER \$1.00. <u>ACTIVE MILITARY ID and LADIES ADMITTED FREE.</u></p> |  |
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Advanced Table Registration
Make Checks Payable To:
 The Flying Aces R/C Club Inc.
 Mail to:
 Flying Aces R/C Club Inc.
 6184 King Arthur Dr.
 Swartz Creek, MI 48473
 For Info. & Table reservations:
 Call Bill Gerald Cell 810-845-3007
 Set-up 8:00 AM Reserved tables will be held until 9:00 AM. Then released to be issued as unreserved
 General Information ONLY:
 Steve Polen 810-730-3533





NEW SWAG!

Full Zip Hoodies • 1/4 Zips

Kids Shirts • Womens

Long Sleeve Tees • Hats • Mugs

Tank Tops and MORE!

details at:

www.milkhousepress.com

Click anywhere in this flyer to go to the Sky-masters section of the web site



Skymasters Indoor Flying 2022-23

At UWM* Sports Complex - Field #1

Tuesdays: 9:00AM - 12:00PM

(dates & times subject to change without notice.)

Cost: \$150 for Season Pass (25 sessions) or \$10 Cash/session at the door.
Season Pass may be obtained at www.Skymasters.org or by check/cash at door

Proof of AMA Membership is required.

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| Opening day is | 10/25/2022 | 1/10/2023 | 3/28/2023 |
| | 11/1/2022 | 1/17/2023 | 4/4/2023 |
| | 11/8/2022 | 1/24/2023 | 4/11/2023 |
| | 11/15/2022 | 1/31/2023 | 4/18/2023 |
| | 11/22/2022 | 2/7/2023 | |
| | 11/29/2022 | 2/14/2023 | |
| | 12/6/2022 | 2/21/2023 | |
| | 12/13/2022 | 2/28/2023 | |
| | 12/20/2022 | 3/7/2023 | |
| | Closed 12/27/22 | 3/14/2023 | |
| | 1/3/2023 | 3/21/2023 | |

"UWM" is United Wholesale Mortgage (formally Ultimate Soccer Arenas) located at
867 South Blvd, Pontiac, Michigan 48341

For rules & additional information go to : www.Skymasters.org
For questions, contact Indoorfly@Skymasters.org



ON THE WING

The Retirees and Wannabes Breakfast At Ram's Horn

9AM, 1st and 3rd Mondays
1990 Rochester Road,
Rochester Hills

Skymasters Breakfast At the Orion Grill

Every Saturday at 8:30AM
3667 Baldwin Rd
Orion Charter Township

Indoor Flying at UWM Sports Complex (formerly Ultimate Soccer)

(AMA required - See web site for more info)

Every Tuesday

9AM — 12PM (note new times)

UWM Sports Complex field #1, in the rear of the complex
Park and enter in the back
867 South Blvd E, Pontiac, MI 48341

Other local area indoor flying

Premiere Sports Center

14901 23 mile, Shelby Twp, MI
(northwest corner of 23 mile and Hayes)

Every Thursday beginning October 13th,
9AM to 3PM

Electric planes and helis (separate heli
space)

\$10/session, AMA required

Info: Steve Durecki 586-246-4203 (text or
voice)

<http://www.stevesindoorflying.com/>

Legacy Center

9299 Goble Dr.
Brighton, MI 48139

(Off of Winans Lake Road, between Rickett
Rd. and M23)

Wednesdays 12:30PM—2:33PM November 2nd
through April 26th

\$10/session

Sponsored by the Hamburg Flyers RC club

March 2023

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | 1 | 2 Indoor flying 9AM-3PM Premiere Soccer | 3 | 4 Breakfast 8:30AM Orion Grill |
| 5 | 6 Skymasters Breakfast 9AM Ram's Horn | 7 Indoor Flying 9AM-12PM UWM Sports Complex | 8 | 9 Indoor flying 9AM-3PM Premiere Soccer | 10 | 11 Breakfast 8:30AM Orion Grill |
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| 26 | 27 | 28 Indoor Flying 9AM-12PM UWM Sports Complex | 29 | 30 Indoor flying 9AM-3PM Premiere Soccer | 31 | Don't forget the Flint Swap on Sun- day April 2nd. See flyer on page 5 |

Skymasters Information...

[The Skymasters field is located in Lake Orion, within the Bald Mountain Recreational Area](#) on Scripps Road, between M24 and Joslyn (see map). A recreation passport or sticker is required and can be obtained from the Park Headquarters located on Greenshield Road or you can check the box on your tab renewal for a "Recreational Passport".

Flying hours:

QUIET ELECTRICS ONLY from 8AM to 10AM and 8PM to 10PM and the noise limit is 80dBa at ten feet. Regular flying is permitted between 10 AM to 8 PM and the noise limit is 94 dBa at 10 feet. These noise limits are enforced.

Student Night & Pot Luck Every Wednesday, May 11th through September. Flying any time but we eat at 6:00 p.m. - rain or shine, literally! For those participating we ask that

you bring something for the grill - enough to feed (at least) you and your guests -OR- bring a dish to pass -OR- bring your own (non-alcoholic) beverage. **Something for the grill:** The obvious choices are burgers, sausages/brats and hotdogs - but other alternatives are welcome. If you bring it we will cook it! We've cooked pork tenderloin and chops, salmon, venison burgers, steaks and more. Don't forget the buns.

We start cooking about 5:30 p.m. - having grill items by then helps us get everything ready on time.

Potluck dish to pass: Don't know what to bring, working late? Each week we'll let you know what is needed for the next week from plates to condiments, charcoal, etc. **Pick one of the needed items to bring instead!** Not one to cook? A quick stop at local supermarket deli

for a side salad, or bakery for dessert always works!

From June through August, club meetings are held at the field, on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 8 PM. A great chance to fly and socialize. **Winter meetings (September through May)** are held at the Orion Center, 1335 Joslyn, in Lake Orion. Bring a model for Show and Tell, enjoy coffee and donuts and listen to the speaker of the evening.

The Skywriter newsletter is available online at the Skymasters web site and is free to all. It may also be printed from the web site if desired. All contributions are welcome. Please send photos and articles to newsletter@skymasters.org

**Want to talk to someone?
Call us at 248-403-8279 and
leave a message. We'll get
right back to you.**



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