



# PLANE TALK

PROP MASTERS R/C NEWSLETTER



AMA CHARTER CLUB #397

NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS

JUNE, 2020

Hi Guys,

It's June and it looks like the pandemic is finally slowing down. The field opened so we can get out and do some flying. We must follow CDC guidance by staying 6 feet apart or by wearing a mask; this has not been a problem as several of us have been out. See the Du Page Forest Preserve's recommendations on the following page (submitted by Joe Bartek). The field looks great, I will start striping it next month.

We will start training soon, Mike Pettinger has volunteered to help Mick and myself training this season. We have had a few people asking for instruction. I will let them know when I can get out and start their training.

We will have our meeting on Zoom again this month. They seem to be going over well. Everyone I have talked to seems to like them. I know we all would rather meet in person at the church, but that is not possible now, hopefully by the end of summer things will be back to some form of normal, and we can get together again. I do not know if we will be having a fun fly this month it does not look like we will, better safe than sorry.

I hope to see more of you out flying soon. Remember to fly one of your "go to" aircraft, and not a new one. Get your fingers and brain working after a long extended off season. Have someone with you for a spotter and moral support.

Be Safe, Fly Safe,

PRES  
Tommy



## **Model Craft Areas to Reopen May 29, 2020**

As Illinois moves into Phase Three of its reopening plan we're thrilled to announce the reopening the DuPage Forest Preserve District's model craft areas on Friday, May 29 at their normal times.

Tips for a safe visit to our preserves:

- Stay home if you're sick or have been near someone who's sick.
- Practice social distancing and stay at least 6 feet away from the next person. (Forest preserve limestone trails are 8 to 10 feet wide.)
- Make sure other visitors know you're near if they can't see you. (A simple "passing from behind" works.) Stay at least 6 feet away as you pass.
- Do not gather in groups or meet with friends in the preserves.
- Follow all CDC best practices, including wearing cloth face coverings in public settings.
- Don't touch things others might also touch, such as signs, benches or shelters.
- Bring hand sanitizer or disinfectant wipes with you.
- Display your permit so Forest Preserve District staff can see it and stay socially distant from you.
- Cover coughs/sneezes.
- Note that all forest preserve restrooms are closed and water fountains are off, and time your visits accordingly.
- Visit only with members of your household.

For questions, comments or concerns please email [permits@dupageforest.org](mailto:permits@dupageforest.org) or call Visitor Services at 630-933-7248.



# Financial Report

## Bill Hickey



### Financial Report

May 1, 2020 to May 31, 2020

Description	Operating Fund	Field Fund	Total	Comments
Balance May 1, 2020	\$1,412.00	\$3,483.04	4,895.04	
Income:				
Dues	160.00	40.00	200.00	40 members to-date. Welcome to Mark Romanowitz.
Total Income	160.00	40.00	200.00	
Total Cash Available	1,572.00	3,523.04	5,095.04	
Expenses:				
None				
Total Expenses	-	-	-	
Balance May 31, 2020	\$1,402.00	\$3,483.04	\$4,885.04	

Bill Hickey, Prop Masters Treasurer  
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# Meeting Minutes

Jeff Cowan



## Meeting minutes - May 26, 2020

### Opening:

Due to COVID-19, the club met virtually. The meeting began at 7:30 PM via Zoom. 19 members attended. President Tom Camp presided. The April 28 meeting minutes were approved as published in the May Newsletter. The May Treasury Report was read as published in this newsletter.

### Committee

#### Reports:

Newsletter	Ray Luchetti: Newsletter OK. Have received some article submissions.
Safety	Mike Pettinger: FAA Remote ID system technology suppliers chosen. Action not associated with the rule itself.
Fun Fly	No report.
Forest Preserve	Tom Camp: No news on reopening. Only replies have been “soon” or “still discussing it”. Field is in good shape. Post-meeting, it was learned that field will reopen Friday 5/29. Though restroom will remain closed. Parking is expected to be a problem in both lots due to increased public use due to COVID-19.
Website	Mike Pettinger: Newsletters caught up. Minimal other changes to the web site. Continuing to work on email distribution issues. To help, Mike requesting to be copied on all messages sent to club distribution list.
Library	Hank Bourassa: There is still a library.
Instruction	Tom Camp: Training to begin soon as field reopens. Have some interested students ready to go.
Fundraising	No report.
Publicity	No report.
Nomination	No report.
Air Show/Picnic	No report.

### Old Business:

- Reviewed progress of membership renewal. 37 members so far, according to Bill Hickey.
- More discussion about doing some group flight simulator events over the Internet in lieu of cancelled fun flies. Ron Monsen and Pete Fales going to do some investigating and get back with everyone on what it takes to participate. Talked about how to import Springbrook field into RealFlight simulator from file on club web site.

### New Business:

- Discussed change in practices when field reopens. Can't be using tent or otherwise congregating in tight groups.

**New Members & Guests:** The club welcomed new member Mark Romanowitz.

### Lost Horizons:

None



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## Show and Tell: (No photos)

The virtual meeting offered a unique opportunity to see many member's workshops and projects at home.

David Engel Covering iron incident. Showed a charred covering iron sock resulting from an unexpected overheated iron. Apparently the thermostat shorted.

Ray Luchetti U-Gears wood model car kit recently purchased from local woodcraft shop. Extremely detailed. Trying something new given no more space for more airplanes.

Dave Cotton Tool review. Miter Cut from Foremost products.

Bill Hickey Fieseler FI-156D Storch project update.

Mark Romanowitz Beginnings of Hellcat. 56" own design CL with equal panel wings. Talked about transitioning CL to RC. Showed another CL plane of own design initially with glow engine converted to electric.

Joe Bartek EZ Star electric; pusher glider project.

Ray Luchetti Taranis radio challenge resolved with Tom Camp's assistance.

## Raffle

None.

## Closing:

Next meeting Tuesday June 30, 7:30 PM will again be virtual. Zoom meeting details will be sent to all members at least 1 week prior.

**Newsletter Contributions**  
Send newsletter contributions to the  
Newsletter Editor at [rluchetti@att.net](mailto:rluchetti@att.net).

**The deadline for submissions is the  
second Tuesday of the month.**  
Club Newsletters are posted at the club  
website: [www.propmastersrc.org](http://www.propmastersrc.org).



## Fun Fly Committee



### 2020 Calendar

Date	Event Type	Event Details	Notes
January 7 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting	Annual Christmas meeting and points auction.	
January 28 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting		
February 25 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting		
March 31 <sup>st</sup>	Monthly Meeting		Meeting canceled due to COVID - 19 requirements.
April 4 <sup>th</sup>	Fun Fly	Fly and Glide	Field closed due to COVID - 19 requirements
April 28 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting		Meeting held electronically using "Zoom".
May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Fun Fly	Fast and Slow	Field closed due to COVID - 19 requirements.
May 26 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting		<b>Meeting held electronically.</b>
May 30 <sup>th</sup>	Fun Fly	TBA	Cancelled
June 6 <sup>th</sup> & 7 <sup>th</sup>	Special Event	Festival of Flight at Clow Airport	Cancelled
June 30 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting		
July 11 <sup>th</sup>	Air Show	Air Show	
July 28 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting		
August 1 <sup>st</sup>	Fun Fly	Washer drop	
August 25 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting		
August 29 <sup>th</sup>	Picnic Fun Fly	Picnic or Fun Fly	
September 29 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting		
October 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Fun Fly	Qualification	
October 27 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting		
November 24 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting		
December 29 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting	Annual Christmas meeting Auction	

Tom Camp/Jack MacPherson



# Prop Masters Organization & Contact Information

## Officers/Board Members:

Position	Name	Email address	Phone #
President	Tom Camp	camptom@wowway.com	630-305-9422
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Hank Bourassa	gohsthb@gmail.com	331-684-8209
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**Next Meeting:**

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