Sharks Tales

The Prez Sez...

By Mike Gradinjan

Say Hey, SHARKSters!



With the warmer weather, things are drying out and starting to take shape at SHARKS field. The tractors all have their batteries, the tires are pumped up, and the gas cans are filled. Todd's fixed the hood on the John Deere that mysteriously got broken last year. Let's not let that happen again. Nothing's growing yet, but somebody might want to start rolling the grass, depending on how much rain we get early this week. It's been so wet, you'll have to watch the tractor tires so they don't start to slip and make a big hole. We had to dig one out a few years ago, and it wasn't fun.

A couple tires aren't holding air well, but there's a compressor and now a decent tire inflator with a gauge. Keep the compressor on the floor, as it walks, and we wouldn't want it crashing off the workbench. Don't exceed the pressure written on the rim near the valve stem, as that's the maximum recommended pressure for use. Some tires have a much higher number listed, but that's only used for seating them on the rims, and then you go down to the number on the rim.

It looks like our friendly neighbor dug a trench across the driveway to drain his swampy lawn, and you'll wreck your alignment if you hit it at any speed. Make sure you really slow down. I'm guessing a member of our club marked it with a couple reflectors, so as long as you remember what there for, you'll be OK. We might get KenJay back out to re-grade the area to include the drainage, as well as some other site maintenance.

Bob Nyhuis reports he turned \$800 from this season's indoor flying donations over to Oostburg High School, along with \$255 from previous years we were holding to repair their Apprentice RC aircraft. They currently aren't using them, so they are now being used as backup trainers at

SHARKS and KAF fields. If the school starts up their aviation unit again, they'll get the planes back. Oostburg's Principal Scott Greupink has invited us back for next year, and sent these before & after pictures of the improvements to their courtyard they were able to purchase with our previous donations.



Al Forner arranged for us to fly at Centennial Hall at LTC the last 2 Saturdays, and there's one more scheduled for April 29th from 8am until 12pm. There's a recommended donation of \$5 for the morning of flying which will be turned over to LTC, so please be generous! I haven't heard how well these have been attended, as I've been booked solid at home.

This Friday's AHC move night we'll present <u>Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo</u>, the 1944 classic starring Spencer Tracy and Van Johnson. Indoor flyers and concession workers should be there at 6pm, with the instruction and movie starting at 7pm.

Our next SHARKS meeting will be Friday, April 21, 2017 at 6:00 PM in the AHC library. It will be a busy meeting, with us taking nominations for the 2017-2018 SHARKS elections in May, updating the FPV racing opportunity, discussing a field cleanup work day and setting up for the next day's swap meet. Bring your ideas and be ready to go!

Our 10th Annual SHARKS/KAF Swap Meet is Saturday, April 22, 2017. The flyer is included in this newsletter. Gather up your models that are just collecting dust and give somebody a good deal.

Your 2017 SHARKS membership dues are now due, and we've had a GREAT response so far. The renewal application is included in this newsletter for you to use. If you weren't an Opt-Out member in 2016, remember that every hour you didn't work off of your 15 required means \$5

more on your 2017 dues. Please get this financial obligation taken care of so we know where we stand.

Bob Nyhuis is looking for a number of volunteers to put on an indoor plane and drone flying demo or show-n-tell on April 27 from 1-2pm at the Gathering Place. Please contact Bob at 920-564-2014.

The annual Cub Scout rocket launch is scheduled for 6pm on May 2. Consider coming out to help maintain order and see the Scouts' rockets.

Former member Lou Verhagen sent a note inviting all SHARKS to the 11th Annual Kohler Associates Motorsports Show on May 21st from 10am-2pm at the Kohler Engines parking lot. He would love to see some guys come out with what they are flying these days. They will have music, a brat fry and he's trying to arrange a free tour of the Engine Plant. Let me know if you're interested.

The Lodi Area Radio Control Club is also holding their Swap & Fun Fly on May 21, starting at 9am. The flyer is included in this newsletter.

The Kettle Area Flyers Fun Fly is June 3. That flyer is also included.

An old navy buddy sent me a link of a video of Brian Schul, an SR-71 pilot. It's pretty entertaining, and worth a look. <u>https://youtu.be/wigZsFypdyl</u>

No doubt I'm forgetting something, but I hope that's about it for now—

Mike

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2017 S.H.A.R.K.S. Membership Renewal Notice

The basic dues for membership in the SHA Membership (18 and younger) and are due for 15 hours of club-benefiting activities or a completely and bring it with your payment t	in January 2017. Also opting-out for an addit	o, you will have the option of volunteering ional \$75. Please fill out this invoice
completely and bring it with your payment t Treasurer:	o the rebruary meetin	ig, of send it with your check to the
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Would you like to receive the Sharks Tales newsletter via e-mail? Yes _____ No _____

Choose Your Dues

Type of membership:	Junior	Regular
Basic Dues	\$5.00	\$50.00
Check here if volunteering for 15 hours of club- benefiting activities for 2017	N/A	
-OR- Add \$75.00 for Opt-Out	N/A	
\$5.00/hour of activities not completed in 2016	N/A	
Total Dues:	\$5.00	

If volunteering for club service, please check any activities you would be interested in participating in. This is not intended to force you into any particular activity, but it will help us find volunteers if we need more help in a particular area.

Club Officer	Flight Instructor	Other (Please List)
Newsletter	Public Relations	
Fun-Fly Duties	Exhibits/Demos	
Field Maintenance	AHC Movie Nights	



A pancake breakfast will be available for a nominal cost served by the EAA Chapter 766!



Lodi Area Radio Control Club's Annual Tailgate Swap and Fun Fly

Always the Sunday after Mother's Day

This years event is on

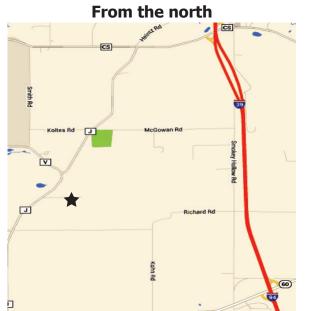
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Swap Meet Starts at 9:00AM Bring your own tables, or sell out of your vehicle

Flying Starts at 10:00AM AMA MEMBERSHIP IS REQUIRED TO FLY

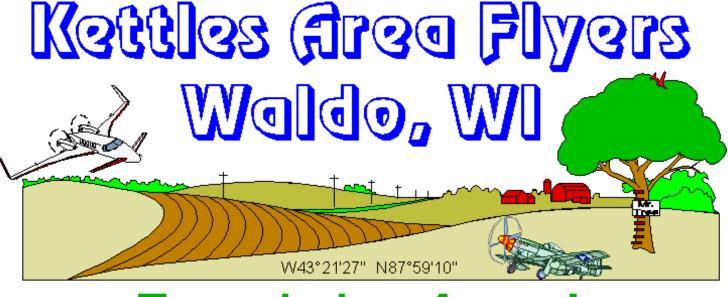
Admission: \$5 per car

Address: N2234 County Hwy J Lodi, Wisconsin (Watch for Signs)





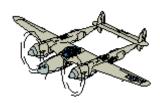
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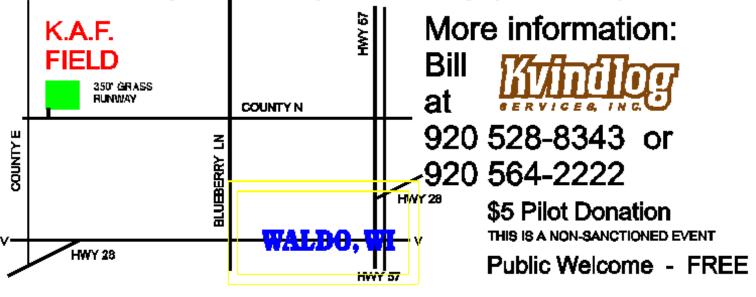
Twentieth - Annual Open Field / Fun Fly SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2017

Rain Date JUNE 4th

Pilot's meeting 8:00 Fly 8:05 to 4:00



Bring your R/C aircraft to display and / or fly AMA Membership Required to fly Brats, Hamburgers and Soda Available Bring the family for an enjoyable day



NEXT S.H.A.R.K.S. MEETING: 6:00 PM, Friday, April 21, 2017 AHC Library

S.H.A.R.K.S. 2850 Ashby Court Sheboygan, WI 53081

