

Sharks Tales



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Newsletter of the
Sheboygan Area Radio Kontrol Society
February 2025
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The Prez Sez...

By Mike Gradinjan

Say Hey, SHARKSters!

We're finally past the normally coldest temps of the winter and we've had a couple nice days recently if the high winds don't bother you! Our RC Racing group even brought out some of our Christmas presents and gave them a whirl today. The tracks only had a couple damp areas until the cars stirred things up, which changed the complexion completely. Our new little Grom Typhons would hit the wet areas and get bogged down, looking like they'd almost hit a wall. We ended up running on the grass to clean the mud off the tires and the bottoms of the cars before we packed up to leave. The mud on top would have to wait until we got home. Jon had bought some hot cocoa mix for the water we microwaved so hot chocolate finished out our afternoon at the field. We're hoping for a few more warm days to do it all again.

Our retired Treasurer Joe Kuranz had a heart scare and ended up at St Lukes in Milwaukee for a Quadruple Bypass! He's now on the road to recovery and could really use some visitors while he recuperates at Rocky Knoll Convalescent Center on Hwy 67 near Elkhart Lake. He'll be there another few weeks, so try to stop in and see him. **Mask required due to flu outbreak!**

Our new Treasurer Jim Loseke asked me to be sure to remind everybody that their 2025 SHARKS dues are now due & payable. Please legibly fill out & use the included SHARKS Application. Mail your check to the address listed on the form. You could also bring the form and check to our next SHARKS meeting in the AHC Library at 10AM on February 15.

Remember that besides your AMA membership, flyers also need an FAA registry number that you can use on all your aircraft and your TRUST certificate.

The [EAA Winter Flight Fest](#) is taking place on Saturday, February 8 up in Oshkosh. We've moved our own meeting to the following Saturday, February 15, to allow people to attend the event. Randy Gibson, our AMA District VII Vice President is supposed to be in attendance, and the Bong Eagles Free Flight club will be conducting an indoor free flight competition. Please make an effort to attend. I was planning to go but just got tagged for Grandpa Duty in Michigan!

February's AHC Movie Night will be next week when we'll show the documentary [Wisconsin From The Air](#) at 7PM, Friday, February 14. Indoor flyers and helpers should be there at 6PM. Let Dave Meyer or Graham know if you can lend a hand. Hours count towards your club dues work obligation.

Oostburg High School indoor flying continues on Wednesday nights from 6-9PM and will run until April 30. We're continuing the \$10 fee for flyers, which all goes to the school district. Spectators are always free. Enter through the gym doors towards the north end of the building on the west side. Brian from the Kettle Area Flyers is hoping to add some weekend hours, too. Please remember we made a commitment to increase our attendance this season.

As always, contact me or any officer or board member with any questions or concerns you have, but in the meantime, Happy Flying RC'ing!

That's about it for now-

Mike

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President, Newsletter & Web Editor:

Mike Gradinjan

Vice President: Paul Piekarski

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2025 S.H.A.R.K.S. Membership Renewal Notice

The basic dues for membership in the SHARKS for 2025 are \$50 for Regular Membership, \$25 for an Additional Family Membership, and \$5 for Junior Membership (18 and younger) and are due in January 2025. Also, you will have the option of volunteering for 15 hours of club-benefiting activities or opting-out for an additional \$75. Please fill out this invoice completely and bring it with your payment to the December lunch meeting, or send it with your check, made out to **SHARKS**, to the Treasurer:

SHARKS
c/o Jim Loseke
718 Willow Dr
Sheboygan, WI 53081

Type of Membership (Check One)
Regular _____ Additional _____ Junior/Senior _____

Name _____ Phone (_____) _____

Address _____ AMA/ROAR# _____

e-mail _____

Parent or Guardian Signature if Junior _____

Would you like to receive the *Sharks Tales* newsletter via e-mail? Yes _____ No _____

Choose Your Dues

Type of Membership	Junior/Senior (≤18/≥81)	Regular	Additional Family Adult
Basic Dues	\$5.00	\$50.00	\$25.00
Check here if volunteering for 15 hours of club-benefiting activities for 2025	N/A		
-OR- Add \$75.00 for Opt- Out	N/A		
\$5.00/hour of activities not completed in 2024	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	_____

NEXT S.H.A.R.K.S. MEETING:

**10 am, Saturday
February 15, 2025
Aviation Heritage Center Library**

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