Sharks Tales

Newsletter of the Sheboygan Area Radio Kontrol Society November 2024

The Prez Sez...

By Mike Gradinjan

Say Hey, SHARKSters!



www.sharksrc.com

The weather has definitely turned toward fall & winter! There are fewer warm days, and even the diehard RC racers check the winds before they go out, and stay fewer hours than just a couple weeks ago. I sure could use some Indian Summer!

Oostburg indoor flying will start soon! It's on Wednesday nights from 6-9PM starting December 4, 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. Brian from the Kettle Area Flyers is hoping to add some weekend hours, too.

November's AHC Movie Night was last week, but we'll show <u>Toward the Unknown</u> at 7PM, Friday, December 13. 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.

Make sure your AMA or ROAR memberships are up to date so you can complete your 2025 SHARKS Membership Application, which is included in this newsletter. Unless you're an opt-out member, remember you needed 15 hrs of club benefiting activities in 2024 to complete your obligation. This includes additional adult members where the first member is an opt-out. Please include \$5/unfulfilled hour with your 2025 application.

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. I noticed that mine are coming due.

If you're planning to be a new SHARKS Park member, you have the choice of joining as an AMA Park Pilot or a ROAR member. You only need one or the other to cover your required insurance, but the AMA Park Pilot license would allow you to fly small electric models as well as race. If you plan on visiting other ROAR facilities, then the ROAR membership would be the way to go. Right now

we're one of two affiliated clubs in Wisconsin, but the choice is yours. You'll find links to the <u>AMA</u> & <u>ROAR</u> on our links page http://www.sharksrc.com/related.htm, or just click on the names here. Be sure to include your AMA license or ROAR membership # on our SHARKS application. A SHARKS membership will be required for use of our facilities from now on.

The FAA registration is only \$5 for 3 years, so it's better to do it than have someone stop in and shut you down for being non-compliant. Here's the link to sign up or renew: https://faadronezone.faa.gov



If this is a renewal, there's a Log In link under the link for the Exception for Recreational Flyers, where you'll enter using your login and password from when you first applied for Certification. If this is your first time, click the Register button link for the Exception for Recreational Flyers and follow the instructions. If you try to enter any other way, you'll have a good chance of ending up at the wrong place which could be a scam site.

The TRUST test can be accessed at https://www.modelaircraft.org/trust

There's an FAQ located at

https://amablog.modelaircraft.org/amagov/2021/02/24/the-recreational-uas-safety-test-trust-faq/?_ga=2.168312552.879088485.1626377374-1632433514.1626377325

Make sure you print out your certificate when you successfully complete the test. It's not saved anywhere, and you'll have to complete the test again to get a new certificate!

There's a <u>new entry</u> on our <u>Swap & Shop page</u> on our website. Jim Loseke knows somebody who's selling a few aircraft for a friend. Please check it out.

Speaking of Jim, I'm including his new guidelines for reimbursement of SHARKS Related Expenses. Our new checks are ordered and will be in use soon.

Our next SHARKS meeting will be at our Annual Buy Your Own Christmas lunch on Saturday, December 14 at the Roadside Bar & Grill, N5575 State Road 57, Plymouth. We'll meet in the bar starting at 11, and be seated for lunch at noon. Spouses or Significant Others are welcome. It'll be a great time to pay your dues for 2025, too! Please RSVP to sharksinfo1490@gmail.com so we can let them know how many to expect. If it gets too big, we might have a limited menu to make it easier on the cook.

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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Mike Gradinjan

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There's a New Treasurer in town!

If you need reimbursement for any club expense, please provide an itemized receipt that describes the actual expense and payment. Sorry, but **no receipt, no payment**. You can pin the receipts on the bulletin board in the club house as you have before. I will leave checks there as well unless you would like me to mail them to you. Please call or text me when you incur the expense so that I can reimburse promptly. You can even send a picture of the receipt in a text so that I can bring a check out the next time I am at the field. If you call, please leave a voice mail if I don't pick it up. Generally all calls without a voice mail go straight into my SPAM file.

You can reach me at:

Treasurer: Jim Loseke

Cell: 920-412-5822

Email: 1490sharks@gmail.com

Address: 718 Willow Dr, Sheboygan, Wl. 53081.

I would also like to take this time to recognize Joe Kuranz for his 26 years as the past club treasurer. As we all know, he has been dedicated to fulfilling the position behind the scenes for more than 2 decades and has done so in a manner that helped keep the club moving forward. This is one of those positions that rarely gets any praise and everyone just expects it to happen in a non dramatic fashion. Joe did an outstanding job doing just that.

THANKS JOE !!!!!!





Planes for sale. \$250 or best offer. Contact Jim Loseke 920-412-5822

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:

c/o Jim Loseke 718 Willow Dr Sheboygan, WI 53081	Тур	e of Membership (Checl Regular Additio	
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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		
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Club Officer	Flight Instructor		Other (Please List)
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Field Maintenance	AHC Movie Nights		

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

11 am, Saturday
December 14, 2022
Roadside Bar & Grill
N5575 State Road 57, Plymouth

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