



THE BARNSTORMER

Hemet Model Masters Newsletter



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President's Message

Hello fellow club members,

Happy new year I hope you're all doing well. These past couple of months I've been doing a lot of flying. Really enjoying myself. I've mainly been flying my Excalibur sport jet. I got a Swi-Swin 140 engine from R/C Groups from a guy in Vegas. The engine had two hours on it when I got it had two hours on it when I got it. It has 7 hours on it now. When I originally brought the Excalibur out it had a JetCat 90RXI and I put over 60 flights on it. One day it started having engine issues and I chased and chased and chased the problem. I even sent the engine into JetCat. They sent it back saying there's nothing wrong. I changed all the fuel lines in the tank. Put different type of fuel lines in changed the UAT, got a new ECU. I even put a High flow fuel vent and put it in. I even changed the fuel tank. Still issues ugh. I took the JetCat out and put the new 140 and decided to try it out. Started fueling and saw fuel coming out of a festo fitting. This Festo fitting must have been going bad causing air to get into the fuel lines Because once I changed it. Life's been grand. A learning experience.

We will be setting up a work party next month. We will send out a mass email with dates, times and what people need to bring. As always there is plenty of work for everyone, no matter what our physical abilities, we've got a job for you. We also have the Pattern contest coming up in March and we will need some helpers for that. These all count as credits for money off next year's dues.

If you or a fellow club member loses your aircraft in the water district property Call the number located on the board they will happily get it for you Monday thru Friday. On the Weekend call the number on the board and notify them and they will come get it first thing Monday morning.

See you at the field
Carl

**THE NEXT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING WILL BE HELD
JANUARY 20TH AT 10:00 AM AT THE SIMPSON FIELD**

2024 Officer and Board Member Election Results

The 2024 Officer and Board Member election results are in. We are pleased to announce that two members have stepped up and volunteered to serve as Board Members. The new members are Scott Boersma (who has previously served on the Board) and Adrian Santangelo. If you see these members at the field please congratulate them and thank them for being willing to serve. HMM believes it is important to have new people involved in leadership. As you may be aware, all of the incumbent officers and board members agreed to consider to serve in their respective roles and were also elected. Thank you all for your willingness to serve the club.

Mandatory FAA and FRIA Requirements - IMPORTANT

You may recall that the FAA has implemented certain requirements to allow RC recreational pilots not to have to comply with more rigid requirements being imposed on unmanned aircraft systems (UAS). Currently the FAA is requiring all unmanned aircraft to have a remote ID device installed. However, they have exempted clubs like ours to the extent we have applied for and been granted a FRIA (FAA—Registered Identification Area). Both of our facilities (Simpson and Davis) have applied for and been granted FRIA status. The conditions are that all of our pilots must have registered with the FAA and obtained an FAA ID number, have taken the TRUST test (a brief exam with the answers given so it is impossible to fail) and posted their FAA Registration ID marked on the outside of their RC aircraft.

Compliance with the above is important and the Board has decided that all members flying at club facilities must be in compliance without exception. This is not something we like doing but unfortunately we are being given no choice by the FAA. In completing the annual renewal process, all members have been provided an electronic renewal form to complete which includes FRIA compliance. Some members have completed it but others have not. We ask all members to complete the form and submit the information to us at your earliest convenience. We do not want to be put in a situation where we have to revoke member's flying privileges. If you have any questions or need help, please do not hesitate to ask Carl or any of the club officers.

Please Don't Forget to Maintain Your Membership in the AMA

Unlike your club membership, AMA memberships do not run on a calendar basis and may expire mid-year. As you know, as an AMA chartered club, AMA membership is required to fly at HMM club facilities. We have noted that sometimes members are unaware that their AMA membership has lapsed during the year. Please take the time to verify that your AMA membership is current throughout the year to prevent loss of flying privileges. If your AMA membership has expired please renew it prior to coming out to fly. Thank you for your compliance with this requirement.

Volunteers Are Always Wanted And Needed!!

As you know, last year the club membership voted to increase annual dues to \$100 but also adopted a volunteer credit of up to \$40 so that volunteers would pay the same amount as they had before. The good news is that there are many ways to earn volunteer credits. If you have physical or other limitations we can still use you. Volunteer activities include cleaning up at the field, field maintenance (spraying, etc.), helping out at club events, assisting with the flight training program, food preparation, etc. If you would like to serve as a volunteer please let Carl Lindou, Steve Staudenmeir or Rodney Luker know which types of tasks you would be willing to help out with and we will help find the right opportunities for you. Believe us when we tell you it's easy to earn volunteer credits regardless of your physical limitations.

Please Join Us On The Hemet Model Masters Facebook Page

Some of you may not know that Hemet Model Masters has our own page on Facebook. This has turned out to be an excellent place for members to share comments, event pictures, videos, for sale items, etc. Not everyone has joined however. If you are interested, please search for Hemet Model Masters on Facebook, click Join and we will approve your request.



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HEMET MODEL MASTERS GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Minutes for November 18, 2023

Meeting called to order by President Carl Lindou at 10:02 AM

There were 17 club members in attendance at the meeting.

There were two new members (Marty Bain and Dennis Peji) in attendance but no guests.

A motion to approve the minutes from the last general membership meeting and the most recent Board meeting published in the newsletter was made by Rodney Luker, seconded by Glenn Townsend and unanimously approved by the members present.

The Treasurer's report was read at the meeting and approved by a vote of the members present at the meeting. A motion to approve the report was made by Mario Carrona, seconded by Lou Renteria and unanimously approved by the members present.

We discussed the Jet Rally which had 26 pilots entered and was seen as a success. The club received approximately \$700 in proceeds. Also, night flies open to electricians were conducted Friday and Saturday evening and people seemed to really enjoy them. We will try to schedule more night flies in the future given the enthusiasm.

Carl mentioned the Event Form that he has developed that has been approved by the Board which will be required when an outside party wishes to use club facilities for an outside event.

Steve mentioned that nominations are due for 2024 officers and board members and are due by the end of the day.

On December 9th we will conduct our annual Christmas toy drive with toys to go to underprivileged and handicapped kids (4 to 13 years). A brief membership meeting will be conducted that day as well.

The 3D Throwdown by Joe Hunt RC is scheduled for December 15th to 17th. We understand some very accomplished 3D pilots will be participating. The event fee is \$50 for those desiring to participate. Spectators are free.

Carl announced that the new Operational Rules have been updated and approved by the Board.

Club shirts are still available and demand has been good. Also, some flying model event (sandwich board style) have been made will be positioned at the entrance to our field for events.

There was no show and tell at the meeting.

A raffle was held.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:43 AM.
Minutes submitted by Steve Staudenmeir

HEMET MODEL MASTERS BOARD MEETING

Minutes for December 4, 2023

Meeting called to order by President Carl Lindou at 7:03PM. The meeting was held on-line.

Club Officers and Board Members Present — Carl Lindou, Rodney Luker, Steve Staudenmeir, Garrison Rios, Kevin McDonald, Tom Mulder, Jim Christy, Howard Hibbler, Mario Carrona, and Lou Renteria

There were no guests or members present at the meeting.

Jim Christy discussed the renewal form he has been requesting of renewing members. The purpose of the form is to help us maintain an accurate database of member information and also to ensure that we are in compliance with all FAA and AMA requirements (FAA registration, FRIA, TRUST, etc.)

Howard discussed the status of the new security system which is functional.

The annual Christmas Toy Drive will be held next Saturday, December 9th at Simpson Field. A brief membership meeting will be held at 10am that day.

The Joe Hunt RC 3D Throwdown is planned for December 15th to 17th. The field will be closed at 2:00pm on Friday for all non-event flying.

Voting for 2024 HMM Officers and Board Members is underway. Jim Christy put together an electronic ballot that will tabulate votes automatically and streamline the entire process. Steve and Jim tested it and it seems to work well. Jim has been doing a lot to automate some of our membership processes and we appreciate his efforts.

Carl announced that Dylan Robinson is going to be helping out with the website.

HMM jackets have sold out. Shirts are still available.

Howard mentioned that there were no safety events to discuss.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45PM.

Minutes submitted by Steve Staudenmeir

HEMET MODEL MASTERS GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Minutes for December 9, 2023

Meeting called to order by President Carl Lindou at 10:07 AM

There were 23 club members in attendance at the meeting. In addition, there were 3 guests at the meeting. This turnout was a record for 2023. Good job and thanks to everyone who showed up!

This was a brief membership meeting held during our 2023 Christmas Toy Drive and were very appreciative of the turnout and toys donated.

Meeting minutes and the treasurer's report were not read at the meeting.

Carl announced that we received the final report from the Jet Rally and the club netted approximately \$1,000.

The Joe Hunt RC 3D Throwdown event is scheduled for next weekend. The field will be closing to non-event flying at 2pm on Friday. Also, there will be night flying on Friday night after the event closes for the day.

Steve Staudenmeir announced that electronic ballots are out and are due by midnight December 31st.

A raffle was held.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:21 AM
Minutes submitted by Steve Staudenmeir

HEMET MODEL MASTERS BOARD MEETING

Minutes for January 8, 2024

Meeting called to order by President Carl Lindou at 7:15PM. The meeting was held on-line.

Club Officers and Board Members Present — Carl Lindou, Rodney Luker, Steve Staudenmeir, Garrison Rios, Lou Renteria, Tom Mulder, Jim Christy, Howard Hibbler, Mario Carrona and new Board members Scott Borsma and Adrian Santangelo. There were no guests or members present at the meeting.

Garrison Rios presented the club's financial status. The club currently has \$18,276 in the bank.

Jim Christy, Membership Director said that so far roughly a hundred people have paid their renewal fee. But only about 60 have completed the renewal form. It is important that we receive the form because it allows us to update our files with the most current member information (address, email, etc.) and also enables us to gather information necessary to meet the FAA's new FRIA requirements. This is not a requirement of our club. These are requirements being imposed on our club by the FAA in order to maintain our status as a FAA Recognized Identification Area. Members need to take these requirements seriously as members not in compliance in the near future will not be allowed to fly at our facilities. Carl Lindou will notify the membership of these requirements.

The Joe Hunt RC 3D Throwdown went very well and we understand they would like to schedule a similar event sometime in the near future. The only incident was that one plane went down over the fence in the aqueduct area. We contacted the local authority and they sent out a representative to retrieve the plane. They thanked us for notifying them rather than just breaching the fence ourselves. However, they let us know that in the future, planes downed over the weekend will need to wait until Monday for retrieval so they don't have to incur overtime pay.

The Board discussed the structure of Board Member membership fees. Customarily, Board Members receive a 50% reduction in their annual fees as compensation for their service. However, a number of Board Members also volunteer and earn volunteer credits. Historically, when volunteer credits are earned, the total credit is applied to the pre-discounted dues amount. Then the 50% service reduction is applied to the remainder. Assume a Board Member has volunteered twice and earned 2 volunteer credits worth \$20 each. First we reduce the annual dues amount of \$100 by the \$40 credit amount just like we do for any member. The 50% service reduction is then applied to the net resulting in \$30 due. Officers do not pay dues and thus do not qualify for any volunteer credits and do not receive any additional compensation for their service.

It has come to our attention that HMM and Palomar RC hold their general membership meetings on the same Saturday and at the same hour of the day. We currently have 17 members who belong to both clubs. As a result, we looking at our schedule and talking with Palomar about changing our meeting schedules so they don't conflict.

A suggestion was brought up about the possibility of a Senior Discount. As we discussed it, we realized that there were a number of issues involved so any further discussion was deferred.

The Harry Gould event is once again planned for March.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06PM.
Minutes submitted by Steve Staudenmeir

HEMET MODEL MASTERS EVENT CALENDAR

HMM Board Meeting—January	January 8th
General Membership Meeting	January 20th
HMM Board Meeting—February	February 5th
General Membership Meeting	February 17th
HMM Board Meeting—March	March 4th
General Membership Meeting	March 16th
Harry Gould Memorial Pattern Event	March

Please note that members are welcome to attend Board Meetings. If you would like to attend, please let us know and we will forward the meeting location.

HEMET MODEL MASTERS OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

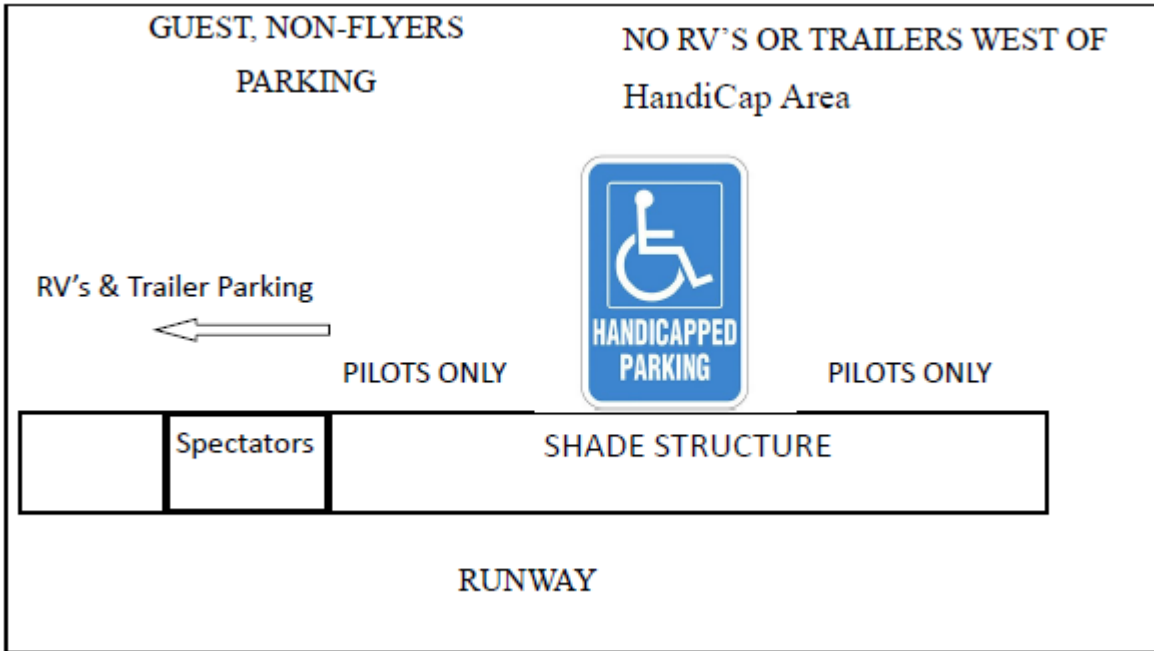
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	Kevin McDonald	
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BOARD MEETINGS 1ST MONDAY OF THE MONTH
GENERAL MEETING 3RD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

Parking Plan For the Main Field

Parking by the shade structure is reserved for pilots. Non-flying individuals, spectators and guests are to park south of the shade structure. No RV's or trailers are allowed West of the Handicap parking area. If you are parking a trailer in front of the shade structure, the total length must not exceed 18 feet or you must unhook.



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Safety At Club Flying Sites

Starting of any engines is north side of yellow line, aircraft facing runway. No taxiing in the pits and staying within established perimeters , exceeding 400 ft ceiling. We have full scale aircraft overhead all the time and it only takes ONE incident to lose our field. No flying over the field workers on adjacent properties EVER!

All members are required to carry a first aid kit and fire extinguisher in their vehicles when flying. You never know when you or a fellow member will need some aid. Be prepared!! We strongly urge that no one fly alone.

TURBINE, IMAC and PATTERN MUST HAVE A SPOTTER WHEN FLYING!

Use of Club Facilities

You must be a member of our club or a guest to use our facilities. Members please have your membership cards with you when you fly. Guests (per the bylaws) are allowed to fly three times prior to joining but must have an active AMA membership. Guests and 72mhz flyers must have AMA on frequency board prior to flying!

The Hemet Model Masters will extend courtesy membership to any "Active Military" individual allowing them to fly at our club fields as long as they have a current AMA membership.

Retrieving Crashed Aircraft From the Aqueduct Near Our Main Field

Aqueduct Information for Retrieving crashed aircraft. Mike Thompson is the service representative that services the aqueduct near our main field. If your airplane is behind the second fence and not in the water runoff it is serviced by Mike Thompson. His direct line is 626-844-5610. Note: Before calling be nice and explain that you are with the Hemet Model Masters and that you have crashed you're rc plane beyond the second fence and would like to retrieve it without breaking any laws. If your plane is between the first and second fence it is serviced by another agency (Securitas Security), Mike Thompson can not help you. Hopefully this will help our members to retrieve their aircraft.