



THE BARNSTORMER

Hemet Model Masters Newsletter



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President's Message

Hello fellow club members,

It's March already and time is flying by. And the rain is nice for the State. But it's not so nice for us. The weeds are growing at an alarming rate. We have a scheduled work party this Saturday beginning after the meeting. Please bring shovels, rakes working gloves. Blowers trash bags. Everyone is needed. We will have jobs for those of us with less than perfect health.

I will go over this AMA Trust test and FAA # Registration and FRIA requirements one LAST TIME and that's it (I hope). The AMA Chartered clubs had a choice to apply for FRIA status or forgo FRIA at their field. If a AMA chartered club applied and met the criteria it was granted a FRIA waiver. Members at FRIA clubs do not need a Transponder/ Remote ID while flying at their club site thereby saving each club member money. For those club that either chose not to apply or could not meet the FRIA criteria, all of their club members are required to have a transponder/Remote ID. The FAA requires anyone flying an RC over .55 pounds to have a FAA registration number and pass the TRUST test. Jim Christy has made getting these two items very simple and painless with very little time required (maybe 20 minutes tops). I need people to understand this wasn't a rule that the Hemet Model Masters thought of. This is a governmental policy given to the FAA. The FAA notified the AMA to pass the new regulations onto its membership and the chartered clubs. At this point it is up to the FAA to enforce the new policies. Do I agree with this whole thing? NO. Do I have my FAA registration number and AMA TRUST-number? You bet I do. In order to be a member of the Hemet Model Masters YOU MUST Have a current up to date AMA number, a TRUST number (printed on the certificate) and your FAA Registration number. That's just the way it is. You may dislike it. You may believe its government overreach. And I'll say ok, but you still have to abide by the current policies set forth by the AMA and FAA. I opened this article with Hello friends. Because I consider a lot of people in this club a friend. However as President I must do what's in the best interest of the overall membership. So please don't say to me I don't see the need to follow these silly governmental overreach BS policies because they'll never send anyone out to check on up or enforce anything. Well, that might be true, and it might not. I'm not going to take that chance because if you're wrong we could lose our FRIA status and t will cost all of us 60 to 100 dollars or more for a remote ID device. Personally that's money I would rather use other places.

See you at the field,
Carl

**THE NEXT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING WILL BE HELD
MARCH 9TH AT 10:00 AM AT THE SIMPSON FIELD**

Mandatory Compliance With FAA and FRIA

As of March 1st, all members must be in compliance with FAA and FRIA requirements in order to fly at Hemet Model Masters facilities without exception. This means that you must have registered with the FAA and affixed your FAA registration ID on the outside of your RC aircraft. In addition, you must have completed the TRUST test available on the AMA site and obtained a Trust test ID. Both the registration ID and the Trust ID should be communicated to Jim Christy, Membership Director. No renewal sticker will be sent until these requirements are met.

Change in HMM Meeting Dates

Beginning in March, the General Membership meeting has been moved to the second Saturday of the month and the Board Meeting has been moved to the fourth Monday of the Month.

Vote to be Taken on Membership Dues at the March 9th General Membership Meeting

A vote will be taken at the March 9th General Membership Meeting regarding annual dues amounts—

- Dues for youth membership should be raised from \$10 to \$25 effective as soon as approved by membership vote.
- Dues for family membership should be raised from \$105 annually to \$125 effective as soon as approved by membership vote.
- Regular dues for adult membership should be raised from \$100 to \$125 effective January 1st, 2025.
- PayPal service charges will be dropped and assumed to be included in the dues amount.

Club Workday—March 9th

A work day will be held on March 9th after the General Membership Meeting. Volunteers participating will earn a \$20 credit towards their annual dues for 2025. Be sure to take advantage of this opportunity.

Field Closure to Open Flying on March 15th at 12 Noon

Simpson Field will close Friday March 15th at noon to open flying to allow entrants in the Harry Gould Memorial Pattern Contest time to practice their patterns in advance of the competition on Saturday and Sunday. We apologize for any inconvenience.

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 January 20, 2024

Meeting called to order by President Carl Lindou at 10:18 AM

There were 11 club members in attendance at the meeting.

There were no visitors or new members at the meeting.

A motion to approve the minutes from the November 18th general membership meeting, the December 4th board meeting, the December 9th general meeting and the January 8th board meeting published in the newsletter was made by Kevin McDonald, seconded by David Kennedy 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 Kevin McDonald, seconded by Lou Renteria and unanimously approved by the members present.

The results of the membership elections were announced. All incumbent officers and board members were re-elected and two new members were added to the Board—Scott Boersma and Adrian Santangelo. Thanks go to Scott and Adrian for your willingness to serve.

The Christmas Toy Drive went well as did the Joe Hunt RC 3D Throwdown. The Joe Hunt people were very courteous and left the field very clean. We understand that they would like to do another event at our field in the future. A plane did go down in the water district property and a call was placed to retrieve it.

The wind blew the Davis Field structure down. It has been strapped down but will need repair in the near future.

The Harry Gould Pattern Contest is scheduled for the 3rd week of March and the IMAC contest is scheduled for the weekend of April 4th. The Board voted to serve food at the event and the IMAC folks have informed us they will shutdown for lunch if we do that. Curtis Kitteringham would like to schedule a scale event. The Board voted to approve and the dates are being worked out. The Jet Rally is planned for November.

The importance of FAA /FRIA compliance was discussed.

Members were reminded not to leave crashed planes in the trash. Please taken then home.

The show and tell raffle was held and Carl Lindou won the \$100 prize for the second year in a row. Hopefully we can someone besides Carl Lindou and Kevin McDonald to participate in show and tell.

A raffle was held.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM

Minutes submitted by Steve Staudenmeir

HEMET MODEL MASTERS BOARD MEETING

Minutes for February 5th, 2024

Meeting called to order by President Carl Lindou at 7:12P M. 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, Dave Kennedy, Mario Carrona, and Lou Renteria. There were no guests or members present at the meeting.

The Board voted to pay the attorney \$2,500, Garrison will issue a check for that amount.

The Harry Gould Memorial Pattern contest will be held at our main field the third week of March and the IMAC competition is scheduled for April.

A work party will be scheduled for the first Saturday in March at 8:00 AM. Lunch will be provided for volunteers.

The shade structure at the Davis field needs to be reattached. Mario and Rodney said they would take care of this.

We are having difficulties getting people signed off on the FAA registration and TRUST test requirements. This is important for us to maintain our FRIA status. We expect that the FAA will begin enforcing this requirement in the near future. Carl will send out a letter to the membership regarding this requirement and we will discuss it at our next meeting.

According to the Bylaws, the Board is to review club dues annually and any recommended change brought to the membership for a vote. After discussing the current dues, the Board voted to recommend the following changes to the membership-

- Dues for youth membership should be raised from \$10 to \$25 effective as soon as approved by membership vote.
- Dues for family membership should be raised from \$105 annually to \$125 effective as soon as approved by membership vote.
- Regular dues for adult membership should be raised from \$100 to \$125 effective January 1st, 2025.
- PayPal service charges will be dropped and assumed to be included in the membership fee amount.
- First responders will be included in the free Active Duty Service members category.

The Board voted that beginning in March, the monthly general membership meeting will be held the second Saturday of the month to eliminate the scheduling conflict with the Palomar club. The Board meeting will be moved to the 4th Monday of the month. These changes will become effective March 1st.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45PM.

Minutes submitted by Steve Staudenmeir

HEMET MODEL MASTERS GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Minutes for February 17, 2024

Meeting called to order by Vice President Rodney Luker at 10:10 AM

There were 18 club members in attendance at the meeting.

There were no visitors or new members at the meeting.

There were no meeting minutes available to be approved.

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 Kevin McDonald, seconded by Dave Kennedy and unanimously approved by the members present.

The issue of FAA/FRIA compliance was discussed and the difficulties we are having getting members to comply. This is important because we could lose our FRIA status if we do not. Kevin McDonald made a motion that we set March 1st as the cutoff date. After March 1st, members cannot fly at Hemet Model Masters facilities until they are in compliance with all FAA requirements. The motion was seconded by Lou Renteria and was unanimously approved by a vote of the members present.

Someone stole our security camera from the field. This will be discussed at the next Board meeting.

The General Membership meeting is to be moved to the second Saturday of the month. We have a number of members that also belong to the Palomar club which holds its membership meeting the same day. Also, club events are often scheduled for the 3rd Saturday as well. This change will resolve the conflicts. Scott Boersma made a motion to approve, Lou Renteria seconded it and it was approved by a vote of the members present.

People seem to like the 10AM time for the membership meeting but this may not be appropriate when it gets hot in the summer. The Board will consider having Summer and Winter hours.

A workday will be scheduled to begin after the General Membership meeting on March 9th.

We discussed the difficulties in prorating membership fees for new members on the basis of the month they join. We discussed changing it to quarterly proration to simplify the process. David Kennedy made a motion to approve the change and Kevin McDonald seconded it. It was approved unanimously by a vote of the members present.

There have been reports that some 3D flyers have been flying over the pits. This is strictly forbidden.

Kevin McDonald showed a plane he had covered using a self adhesive he got from Hobby Lobby that is used with the Cricket Machines. Very inexpensive.

A raffle was held.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:44 AM

Minutes submitted by Steve Staudenmeir

HEMET MODEL MASTERS EVENT CALENDAR

General Membership Meeting	March 9th
Club Workday Simpson Field	March 9th following the meeting
Harry Gould Memorial Pattern Event	March 16th and 17th
HMM Board Meeting—March	March 25th
IMAC Competition	April
General Membership Meeting	April 13th
HMM Board Meeting—April	April 22nd
General Membership Meeting	May 11th
HMM Board Meeting—May	May 27th
General Membership Meeting	June 8th
HMM Board Meeting—June	June 24th
Jet Rally	November
Scale Event	TBD

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

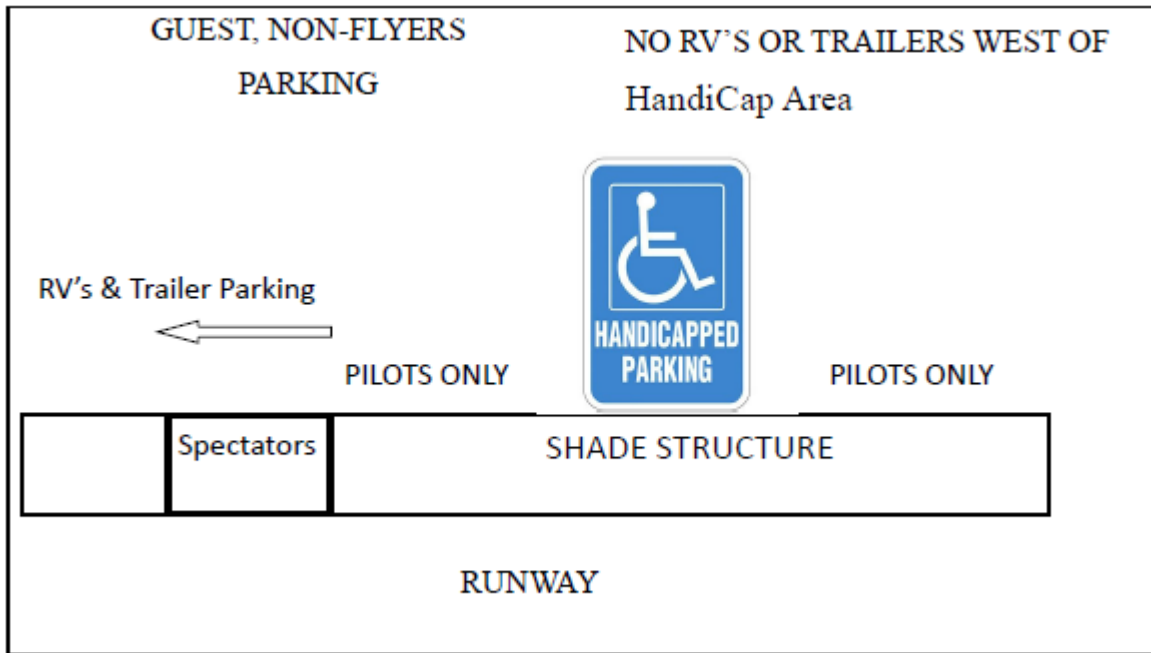
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GENERAL MEETING 2ND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
BOARD MEETING 4TH MONDAY OF THE MONTH

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 taxing 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 and comply with all AMA and FAA requirements regarding registration, TRUST, etc. . 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" or "First Responders" allowing them to fly at our club fields as long as they have a current AMA mem-