



THE BARNSTORMER

Hemet Model Masters Newsletter



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President's Message

Hello fellow club members,

This month is nominations for club officers and board members. If you have a person you wish to nominate, they need to be at the meeting or call or email or text that they will accept the nomination. Or if you would like to be nominated for a position, please let a board member or officer know and we will get you nominated. (Please see the list of officers and board positions in this newsletter)

Perception, impression and attitude. These are three words that greatly affect the Hemet Model Masters as a club. While at Top Gun I ran into Rich and Tyler, a father and son who were competing in the Pro-Am Jet class. I knew that they had flown at our field and I thought they had joined the club. I hadn't seen them in quite a while however. I also knew they had been practicing for Top-Gun and driving quite far compared to coming out to the club field. So, I asked why aren't you coming to the club field to fly. The Father, who's no light weight, said very reluctantly that some of the members were quite unfriendly. And the son who was 17 at the time said and I quote: There's too many "GRUMPTOADS" at that field. I thought what a shame, they are driving so far out of there way to go fly when we have the perfect flying field all because peoples attitude left a negative impression, and they had the perception that wasn't favorable to the club. I reached out recently looking for volunteers for help at the field. I got a call from Mr. Mathews, a club member, who said he wanted to help. He said he loves the field but doesn't fly here. I asked why, "People are negative and so competitive out there". People left him with a very bad impression and now his perception is we are all that way. And I know that's not the actual reality, however his perception is based on the impression he got from some club members and that is reality to him. And the most recent problem happened a couple of weeks ago where a mom brought her son out to get help learning to fly his electric airplane. The boy and one of our club members who was instructing him were flying. Another club member came up to the boy and told the boy he was going to take off. The boy didn't respond most likely because he didn't know what to say. And several people witnessed the person who wanted to take off raise their voice at the boy and repeatedly bark out I'm taking off. Now we do have to be able to communicate with one another. But several club members were left feeling upset and disheartened by the whole encounter. If there is a trainee up. Why not just give them the sky. The boy's airplane flew for about 6 minutes. We should be able to wait six minutes to ensure the person whose training and in this case the mom is left with a positive impression. But if you cannot wait, announce your intention to take the runway or to land to the instructor or the instructor's spotter. Not the Student. Remember the old saying. You only get one shot to make a first good impression. Please do not be a GRUMPTOAD! Social media is far too powerful. And when people have bad experiences, they will go on Facebook or the internet and leave negative posts. of us.

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

President's Message Continued

And the people that read those posts either won't come to the club field or already have a jaded perception of us as a club.

I start my articles with "Hello friends" because I have a lot of great friends that I met in this club. I hope we all share that same experience. The club is more than a field. It's a place where we share a common interest. We learn from each other, and we build something together. And we create friendships. It's a place where we share our passion for flight. That passion for flight may take the form of a pattern plane or a big IMAC aircraft or a trainer or a warbird or a turbine. Me, I just enjoy it all. I like flying my Jet and flying my WWI Triplane. And I really enjoy watching people enjoy their passion for flight. Let's give people that visit our field a good first impression let people perceive who we are—an open friendly welcoming group who share a passion for model aviation.

Now sometimes people want to talk to us while were putting our plane together. And some of our planes are complicated to put together. They can have multiple electrical hook ups. Air lines connections. Multiple bolts. Multiple batteries with differing voltages to connect and check. It is very easy to forget or miss a step. When I flew my 40% Extra 300. I was putting it together when a young man started to talk to me about my plane. I had connected the aileron servos and put the two 1/4x20 bolts in the right wing. I then connected the ailerons for the left wing and put the rear anti rotation bolt in the wing I had the bolt about halfway screwed in When young man asked me about the modification I made to the horizontal stab and vertical fin and rudder. I stopped what I was doing and turned to the rear of the plane and went over all the modifications with him. I then went back to putting the Extra together, I fueled and started the DA-150. After take off I immediately something was wrong. My plane flew on rails normally. But it was all over the sky. I got around and landed and it hit me. I didn't put the front anti rotation bolt in the front of the left wing, and I hadn't even tightened the rear bolt. On the taxi back the rear bolt fell out and the wing rotated. That taught me a huge lesson. From then on when I put my aircraft together and someone asked me questions about my plane I tell them: I will answer any question you have. But right now, I must focus on putting my aircraft together. Please give me 10 minutes and I will be right with you. I'm not rude but I get my message across that I must stay focused on the task at hand.

Okay I have gone on long enough.

Take care my friends, And Happy landings.

Carl Lindou

HMM Members Receive a 5% Discount at Dynamic Hobbies

Board Member Kevin McDonald, who works at Dynamic Hobbies, has informed us that club members will receive a 5% discount on all purchases made at Dynamic Hobbies. So don't forget to mention that you are a club member and get your 5% discount when you are shopping there.

The Jet Rally Was A Success And Contributed \$ to Our Club

The Jet Rally held this past weekend was a success and raised approximately \$2,300 for our club including a donation of \$1,000 by member Mike Lin on behalf of Global Jet Club. Thank you Mike Lin!

Southwest Freestyle Event—November 15th to 17th

We have an exciting event upcoming at our field, November 15th, 16th and 17th— the first annual Southwest Freestyle Event. This 3D event presented by Extreme Flight at our field promises to be exceptional! Member Dylan Robinson is responsible for making this event happen and has done a fabulous job making sure it is a great success! Please check out the flyer located in this newsletter. Whether you enter as a 3D flyer yourself or just come and watch the excitement we expect you will really enjoy it. As always, spectators are free.

Volunteers Cleanup the Debris to Make Room For More RV Parking

We received that volunteers Rodney Luker, Mario Carrona and Dylan Robinson worked long and hard to clear the debris from the East side of our main field to make room for more RV parking at the field. It's been reported that the field is looking great. Thank you Rodney, Mario and Dylan for all of your hard work!!

Nominations Are Due For Officers and Board Members for 2025

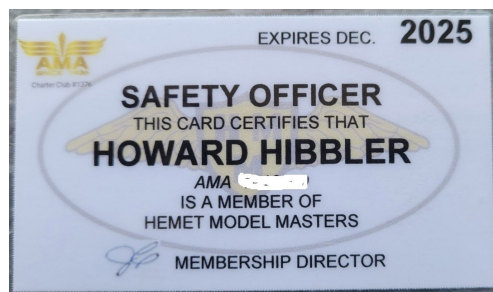
Nominations for Board and Officer positions for next year are due. All of the current Board and Officers have indicated that they would be willing to serve again for the upcoming year. That doesn't mean however that they wouldn't be happy to give up their position or serve in a different role if someone else was willing to assume their responsibilities. New blood is always good for the club and would be welcomed. The positions up for nomination include President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Director, Safety Officer and up to seven Board Members. If you would like more information about what is involved in each of these positions, please ask. You can nominate yourself or someone else. Please note that our bylaws require that nominees have been club members for a minimum of twelve months. Should you nominate someone besides yourself, please be sure to ask the person you are nominating if they would be willing to serve in such a position. Nominations can be made for the entire month of November up to midnight on the last day. Nominations can be submitted via email to info@hemetmodelmasters.net. Please indicate the name of the nominee and the position.

Please Pay Your Dues

Every so often we still come across members flying at our facilities who have not paid their dues for the current year. This is not fair to your fellow members or to the club. We don't like to be the "Dues Police". And we know that this is typically due to an oversight rather than an intentional effort to avoid paying. Please spare us the discomfort and yourself the embarrassment of finding that you aren't current while flying at our fields. Our annual dues are \$125 which is definitely not unreasonable and is consistent with other flying clubs in Southern California. As you know, members can receive up to \$40 off on their annual dues by volunteering to help out at the field.

New Membership Cards

Membership Director Jim Christy has developed a new format for our membership cards that we think looks really nice. We previously purchased enough date stamps to continue using the old cards through 2025 and will do so to avoid incurring unnecessary costs we have already spent on date stamps. However, if you would like one of the new cards by chance for 2025 please pay your annual dues before December 1st and we will print you a new one in the new format which you should receive the first week of December. So why wait when you can get a beautiful new card and be a standout for paying your club dues early?



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 \$125 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 BOARD MEETING

Minutes for August 5th, 2024

Meeting called to order by President Carl Lindou at 7:07P M. The meeting was held on-line.

Club Officers and Board Members Present — Carl Lindou, Rodney Luker, Steve Staudenmeir, Garrison Rios, Howard Hibbler, Adrian Santangelo, Scott Boersma, Lou Renteria, Jim Christy and Tom Mulder.

There were no guests or members present at the meeting.

Garrison reported that the rent payment for the Davis Field has been paid.

Mario Carrona and Lou Renteria sprayed the weeds a couple of weeks ago and the field looks pretty good.

The Scalemasters qualifier had about 14 participants. The National Championship is scheduled for October.

The 3D and Jet Rally Events are both scheduled for November. Tom Mulder is coordinating the Jet Rally and Dylan Robinson is coordinating the 3D Event. Carl is looking into t-Shirts and Tom is working on sponsors for the Jet Rally.

Sadly, it was reported the Pablo Vargas has passed away. The Board voted to donate \$50 to a Go Fund Me page to assist Pablo's with expenses. No details were available.

The most recent night fly had 5 flyers participating. The weather was very hot.

Members Gary Beese and John Quintel spent \$700 in repair at the Davis Field. Payment will require a vote of the membership as it exceeds the \$500 limit on Board approval. This will be done at the next Board meeting.

Members present were informed that the gate codes have been changed.

Jim Christy was congratulated for the nice job he has done revamping the membership system which will be very beneficial to the club moving forward.

Steve indicated that the Membership login feature of the website has been removed as it complicated the website and wasn't being used by any members.

Howard made a motion to amend the bylaws to remove the term limit on the President and Vice-President. The motion passed unanimously. Since bylaws amendments have to be approved by a vote of the membership, Howard will bring this up at the next General Membership Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Minutes submitted by Steve Staudenmeir

HEMET MODEL MASTERS GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Minutes for August 10th, 2024

A General Membership meeting was held on August 10th, 2024. Unfortunately, we can't locate the minutes. Should they be located, we will publish them in the next newsletter. Please let us know if you have any questions.

HEMET MODEL MASTERS GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Minutes for September 14th, 2024

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

There were 12 club members and no non-members in attendance at the meeting.

There were no minutes available for approval at the meeting and no financial report.

Members were reminded of the recent gate code change.

People have been disposing of wrecked planes in the trash containers at the field. This is strictly prohibited due to safety concerns regarding batteries, etc.

Member John Meyers purchased and installed a new flag at the field. We were also informed that Rodney's wife Sue did some fancy stitch work on the flag to hopefully prevent it from fraying so easily and last longer. The wind at the field has been destroying our flags in short order in the past. Thank you John and Sue!

The members present voted unanimously to approve the Bylaws Amendment removing the term limits on the President and Vice President. The Bylaws have been so amended.

Volunteers needed to assist out with the Jet Rally in November was discussed. Also members were reminded of the 3D event scheduled for November as well. Dylan Robinson is coordinating.

We discussed having a swap meet in the near future but no decision was reached.

We also discussed the Christmas Toy Drive and the need to coordinate with the Children's Center. Rodney Luker indicated he would look into that.

Jim Christy displayed the format for the new membership cards he has developed.

No raffle was held due to too few members present.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45AM.
Minutes submitted by Steve Staudenmeir

HEMET MODEL MASTERS BOARD MEETING

Minutes for October 7th, 2024

Meeting called to order by Vice-President Rodney Luker at 7:07P M. The meeting was held on-line.

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

The next general meeting will conflict with the scale event to be held that weekend so Steve will send out an email to the membership indicating that the meeting will be held on the third Saturday of October rather than the 2nd.

Garrison indicated that the outstanding balance due to the attorney is \$15,000.

The club has received \$3,000 in donations towards maintenance of the runway. There was discussion that the contractor had estimated \$20,000 cost to repair the runway but the actual amount turned out to be \$11,000 per Rodney Luker.

The Christmas Toy Drive will be held on December 7th in order to get the toys donated in time for Christmas delivery. There will be a fun fly associated with the event and Adrian Santangelo has volunteered to figure out what events/contests we will have at the event.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 PM.
Minutes submitted by Steve Staudenmeir

HEMET MODEL MASTERS GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Minutes for October 10th, 2024

Meeting called to order by President Carl Lindou at 10:00AM

There were 9 club members and no non-members in attendance at the meeting.

There were no minutes available for approval at the meeting and no financial report.

A motion was made by Kevin McDonald to eliminate the monthly meeting raffles It was seconded by Dave Kennedy. Discussion was had. A vote was taken, and it passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Dylan Robinson to fix the runway. It was seconded by Kevin McDonald the was discussion and the vote was taken and it passed unanimously.

Dylan Robinson gave a report on the 3D Fest coming up the weekend of November 15th, 16th and 17th.

We had the raffle.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 PM.

Minutes submitted by Carl Lindou

HEMET MODEL MASTERS EVENT CALENDAR

General Membership Meeting	November 9th
Southwest Freestyle Festival Presented by Extreme Flight (see flyer on next page)	November 15th to 17th
Board Member and Officer Nominations Due	November 30th (by midnight)
HMM Board Meeting—December	December 2nd
Christmas Toy Drive and Fun Fly	December 7th
Board Member and Officer Ballots Due	December 15th (by midnight)

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.

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EVENT DETAILS

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Pilot Fee: \$50 (Includes Lunch Saturday & Sunday)

* All Pre-Registered Pilots Receive FREE Event T-Shirt

Dry RV Camping: \$25 (Covers Camping Friday-Sunday)

* RV Spots are Limited, Campers **MUST** Pre-Register

* Event T-Shirts and Raffle Tickets Available for Purchase

EVENT SCHEDULE

November 15-17, 2024

Friday Nov 15th

8AM-Sunset: Open Flying, then Electric Night Flying

Saturday Nov 16th

8AM-Noon: Open Flying

Noon-1PM: Flight Demos

1PM-Sunset: Open Flying, then Electric Night Flying

Sunset: Raffle & Giveaways

Sunday Nov 17th

8AM-Sunset: Open Flying

E-Mail dylanrob08@aol.com to Pre-Register



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HEMET MODEL MASTERS OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

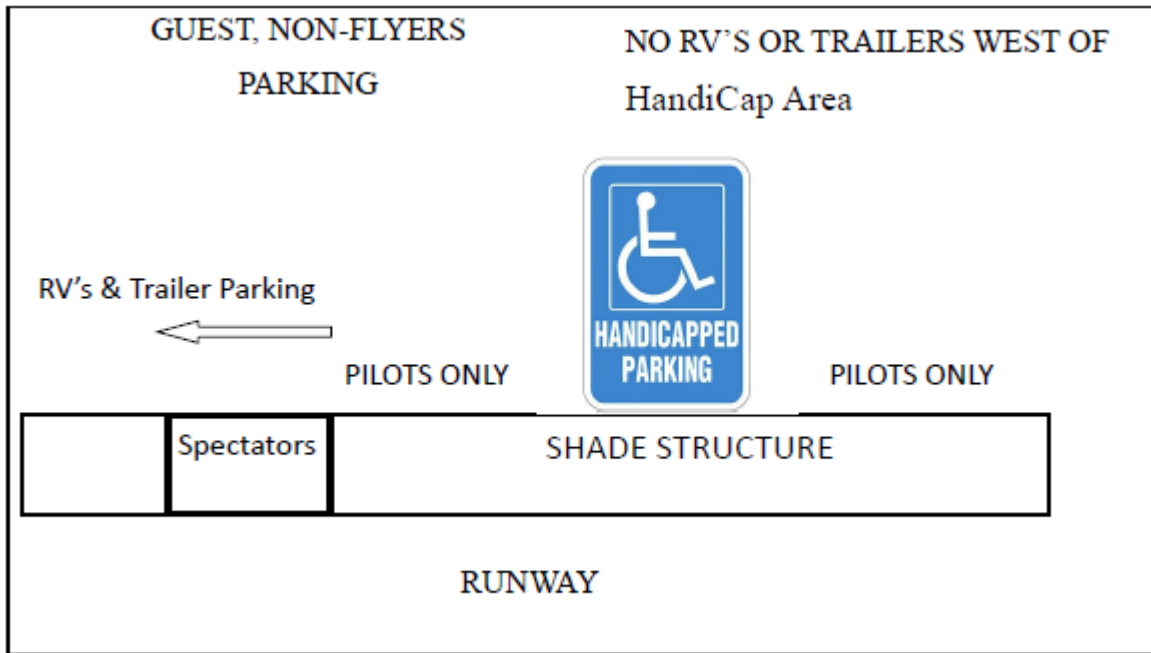
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	Dave Kennedy	
	Kevin McDonald	
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GENERAL MEETING 2ND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
BOARD MEETING 4TH MONDAY OF THE MONTH

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-