

Wright Flyers Newsletter September 2024

CLUB MEETING

Please keep in mind that summer flying meeting dates are tentative due to weather. The flying meetings are scheduled for a Saturday. Because of predicted winds or rain for the scheduled date, the actual date could be changed. Members will be notified, via email, as to the new time and date if the scheduled date is changed.

Everyone is welcome and proof of current AMA membership is required to fly. Spectators and visitors are always welcome.

The next club meeting is scheduled for <u>Saturday, Sep.28 at 12:00 noon</u> at the Flying Field. If the weather is not suitable on that date, a new date will be posted.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

We have had some good and bad flying days this summer. August was a scorcher and September has been breezy. We managed to squeeze in a few flights on the good days along with some of the other members.

Some surveying stakes have been placed in the field to the West of our runway. They were put there by Balt. County Dept. of Public Works-Bureau of Solid Waste Management marking out potential sites for a future fill and/or stone stockpile and to update the Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan. They were placed on the demolition cell. The work being done will not affect the club activities, as the stockpile will not be built above the existing radio flyers cell elevation.

I exchanged a few emails with our contact at Baltimore County who is following the Hernwood Solar Project. He introduced me to the company, Total Energies, who may be the developer if the project goes forward. I will provide an update on the project at the upcoming meeting.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Noel Garcia Robert Tacka

UPCOMING EVENTS

This year's flying season is drawing to a close with only a couple more months before Winter strikes. We would like to have some club activities to round out the year. In previous years, we have had great turnouts for Bi-plane Day and Twin Engine Day. Let's try to schedule those again this year.

AT THE FIELD



August 31,2024: Airplanes for Labor Day Weekend.

FROM THE AMA

On September 9, 2024, the House of Representatives passed H.R.2864 – Countering CCP Drones Act. The bill adds telecommunication and video equipment and related services from DJI Technologies to a list of communication equipment and services that pose a risk to the national security of the United States. This list is maintained by the FCC (Federal Communications Commission) under the Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Act of 2019. This bill essentially bans UAS produced by DJI from operating on the communications infrastructure within the U.S.

It is important to remember that this bill has only passed one chamber and would require many additional steps before becoming law. AMA will provide updates regarding this bill if the Senate decides to take up this issue in the future. In addition, AMA will continue to meet with Congress and the Department of Defense regarding threats to the national airspace, aiming to find common sense solutions to hopefully reduce the legislative burden on our modeling community.

