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Renew Your Membership

Need your MCA membership for 2016! There are 2 easy ways you can pay your dues:

- 1.) Come to a meeting and pay in person.
- 2.) Pay online at our website. There is a link to pay via PayPal on the Club Info page.

Don't forget your AMA and Metro Park Permit too!



RC Flying and the Law

2015 was a year of unprecedented legal challenges for RC aircraft hobbyists. Numerous local governments around the US proposed laws intended to get a tighter grip on RC flying activities. The most far-reaching efforts affecting RC pilots took ... [READ MORE.](#)



Events / Activities



Club Meeting !

April 19th - 6:30pm
MCA Clubhouse
Peeler Park Airfield
Food begins at 6pm.

MTRCA Events Calendar
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AMA Charter 3961

2016 MEMORIAL FLY-IN

- **Saturday May 21st 2016**
- Flying from 8 a.m. to dusk
- Raffle Prizes!
- Concessions on-site
- All AMA members and spectators are welcome! (Bring a chair)
- Aircraft, Gliders, Helicopters and Multi-Rotors welcome.



3336 Winters Rd. Cedar Hill, TN 37032

- From I-24 West: 1) Take I-24 West to Exit 19, Maxey Road 2) Turn right off ramp and go 3 miles. 3) Turn left at the 4 way stop on Stroudville Rd, and go 1.5 miles. 4) Turn Left on Winters Road. Follow driveway to field behind the barn on right
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Camping is available starting Friday night .

For camping info contact club officers via website

www.cumberlandflyers.org or email

Cumberlandflyers@gmail.com

Pilot Landing fee: \$10 – proof of AMA is required

Spectators – Free!

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March Meeting Recap

Date: March 15, 2016

Location: Peeler Park / MCA Clubhouse

Members Present: 12

Presiding: Tom Bible, President

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm.

Opening Remarks:

Tom welcomed and thanked everyone for coming out on a warm, breezy late winter afternoon and offered condolences to Dave Palmer for the recent passing of his Dad.

Tom thanked tonight's chef and also everyone who helped set up our club provided meal of chili and hot dogs.

Don Hudgins informed everyone that Jerry Nannie's wife had just suffered an apparent heart attack and been rushed to the hospital where she was undergoing emergency surgery to install a stint.

Motion made, seconded and approved to accept the club minutes report from February, 2016.

Treasurers report:

Hayes Graf reported our current club fund balance to be exactly \$5,500 with the total number of MCA members current with their paid up 2016 membership dues being 25.

Old Business:

Don Hudgins gave a progress report of the upgrade proposal to our flight stations and safety barrier fencing. The initial plan calls for an estimate to replace the PVC support and plastic mesh fence with a commercial grade, 48 inch high chain link fence suspended approximately 6 inches above the ground to allow for grass trimming.

The proposed distance from the barrier fence to the runway is to be 16 feet, which is several feet beyond the current fence spacing from the edge of the runway. The proposed number of flight stations remains the same but they are planned to be compressed into a shorter distance between the stations to allow better communications among the pilots and observers.

An estimate of \$1600 was obtained from a company that does contract work for Metro and would include two 10 foot access gates, each with a 4 foot kickback, providing access to the runway from the flight stations.

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Spread the word about the Aviators!

Meet someone new and want to invite them to join the MCAs?

Grab a stack of "MCA Info Cards" in the clubhouse.



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Motion made, seconded and approved to modify the 2016 budget plan in order to allow, if needed, up an additional \$1,600 to the original \$625 maintenance proposal, for the needed safety barrier fencing and flight station improvements.

Motion carried by unanimous vote to approve the 2016 budget proposal that was deferred from last month's meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

We'll need to set up a meeting with the new officials of the Metro Parks Dept. for discussion of our planned safety upgrades to our flight station areas. It's possible that they might provide some, or all, of the costs involved but if they don't, we need their permission to accomplish the work on our own. We need to get the pertinent information from Jerry Nannie, then inform Dick Tonan.

Hopefully we might get the work accomplished at our field prior to the scheduled MTRCCA (Middle Tennessee R/C Clubs Association) Spring Fly-in scheduled for June 11th. Hopefully the weather will co-operate to again make this event a success? Volunteers to help out with this great event are also needed. A workday will be needed to ready our field for the Association Fly-in. Kris Tanner suggested metal tie strips to re-enforce the wind sock that is almost loose.

Discussion:

Twenty seven of our MCA club members from last year remain being unpaid of their club membership dues for 2016. Hayes Graf stated that according to the club by-laws; members have until the 31st of March to renew their membership or their name will be removed from the club membership role. Hayes suggested that the PayPal option on the MCA website can be used but may take several days for the transaction to go through. Checks payable to MCA or cash can also be delivered through any of the club officers.

Announcements:

The recent Cane Ridge Club's "Chili-Fun-Fly" and the Middle Point RC Club's Murfreesboro swap meet were both successful, enjoyable events. James Harkreader was the combined total overall winner of the four Cane Ridge Fun-Fly events and was presented a \$30 Family Hobbies gift certificate. John Bartlebaugh was the swap meet grand prize raffle ticket drawing winner of a new Spektrum DX-7 Transmitter.

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L.A Johnston informed everyone of the upcoming "Climb and glide event" scheduled at the Cane Ridge flying field on April 23rd. Any airplane can be used and the rules are simple. The craft must take off from and land on the runway. Contest time begins at the release of the model for take-off and ends when the wheels touch the runway after a maximum 20 second motor run time. Overall winner to be determined from the high time total of several individual flights.

The new owner of Danielle's RC (Jeff Victory) made this announcement on Facebook today:
"There's a new RC shop in town! We will be located in the current Danielle's RC location. We will carry a large selection of multirotors and accessories along with traditional fixed wing models. Come out and see us"!!

Closing Remarks:

Just a reminder to everyone; In addition to your club dues, don't forget to keep your AMA membership and Metro Park Permit current. Remember to affix your FAA operator registration number to each of your remotely piloted craft.

Adjourn: 7:20 pm



James Harkreader
MCA Club Secretary



Points Of Interest

The Snap Roll: Do It Right!

The snap roll is an advanced maneuver that you'll first encounter in the IMAC Sportsman sequence. It evolves into more difficult variations in the upper classes... [READ MORE](#)

Low Pass Compilation

[YouTube Link](#)



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Member Moments

Pics from recent weekends at the airfield.



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