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Newsletter of the Music City Aviators

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Hello MCA Members, we wish to thank you, our members for keeping our Flying Field safe by observing the safety guidelines set forth by the CDC and Metro Parks. Please continue to enjoy our hobby and stay safe and attend our meetings when possible. MCA Officers

## Time To Renew with MCA

Have you renewed your membership for 2020? There are two (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 to renew your AMA and Metro Park Permit too!



## August Meeting

**Next meeting – Aug 18th, 2020..**  
To be held at our field, Peeler Park



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## *Points of Interest*

### Upcoming R/C Events

Part of the fun in our Hobby is attending special events hosted by various local clubs. Obviously, many of the events have been cancelled or delayed due to the virus, but we are hoping things will get back on track soon.

Each Monday from 1-3 pm: Indoor flying at the Mt. Juliet Recreation Center, Charlie Daniels Park. **Resumed August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Come join us.**

Each Wednesday at Peeler Park: **The Park is open but Old Fart Get-togethers is cancelled until further notice.**

Aug 15th at Peeler Park Model Aviation appreciation fly-in

Stay tuned as we plan future events at Peeler Park

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## July Meeting Minutes

Date: 07/21/2020

Location: - Peeler.

Members Present: 7

Presiding: Tom Bible, Club President

Meeting called to order at 6:39 PM

Opening Remarks: Tom thanked everyone for coming out. Motion made and approved to accept the June Minutes report.

Treasurers Report: Hayes Graf reported our current club balance to be \$6779.38 after all expenses through today are accounted for. 55 individuals are currently on the MCA membership role as having paid dues. 11 have not paid dues

Old Business: Park service finally delivered 2 altitude signs after delivering to Cane Ridge and still had Cane Ridge name on them. They made a poor quality fix for the name. But, Hayes and David made some very nice signs.

New Business: We had discussion about someone changing oil and filters on the mower. Tom will buy the appropriate kit for mower servicing. There was discussion about the charger under the pavilion. It needs a new cover. And it is easily overloaded and will pop breaker which also knocks out the building power. Members should limit charging of larger (e.g. 6 cell) batteries to one-at-a-time.

Upcoming events: Tullahoma Warbird flyin, July 24, 25, 26

Model Aviation appreciation flyin Aug 15th at Peeler. Members can meet & fly but, no food or refreshments provided.

CANCELLED – Association fall flyin



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## July Meeting Minutes, Con't

Closing Remarks: Tom thanked everyone for attending

Next meeting: August 18th at Peeler if weather is good. Otherwise, we'll meet at TBD

Meeting adjourned at 7:04PM



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## Another Fun Article from John Forehand

Shopworn – July 2020 Continued

At the July Meeting, which was held to an overflow crowd of members at the field, (sarcasm here folks) the subject of crashes came up. It got me thinking of that harbinger of doom we all fall prey to:

### FAMOUS LAST WORDS:

Number 1. I did a range check a couple of years ago and all was ok. Plenty of range.

Number 2. Why would I do a preflight check? All I've done since last time is attach the wing and hook up the ailerons.

Number 3. Look, the factory says to put the battery right there, and the weight and balance will be perfect. Why would I do a full weight and balance anyway.

Number 4. Retighten all the bolts? Dumbest thing I ever heard of. The factory sets 'em up and why would they ever loosen?

Number 5. I have a fool proof method to determine just by looking whether my batteries are charged or not charged. I don't need a cell checker.

Number 6. I've found a screw under my airplane. Must be from somebody else's airplane.

Number 7. Darn tailwheel is loose again, oh well, it's been like that for a while now and nothing's happened.

Number 8. Filters to put on when pumping fuel into the plane are just plain silly and expensive.

Number 9. (my personal favorite) I'll stand in front of the fence if I want to. There's no way, as expert a flyer as I am, that my airplane could hit me or any other person standing in front of the fence.

BUT NUMBER 10 IS PROBABLY THE MOST CURRENT: FAA rules? I don't need them and nobody is going to tell me how I can fly my airplane. I'll do what I want anytime I want.

Okay, so the last two were for the Safety Officer in me, but I wonder if any of us can say that we never uttered at least one if not all of the other eight at some time in past, and then met with the expected results. They don't call me "Crash" Forehand for nothing!



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