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Our club is committed to the hobby of R/C model aviation. We are an AMA Chartered club and are based at a Metro Park called Peeler Park.

We fly a wide range of RC aircraft ranging from small park flyers, to giant scale aerobatic and scale planes including turbine jets. We also provide a monthly newsletter called the Flightline, past copies are available on our Web-Site. Come join us !!

## In our Prayers

Currently known members dealing with illnesses. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

Mike Denton  
Kenny Skelton  
J W Plummer

## Next Meeting

**Next meeting -July 18th – 6PM**

Music City Aviators Monthly Meeting  
We eat at 6:00, meeting at 6:30



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## Dates to Remember

June 24<sup>th</sup> - Float Fly at Poole's Knob

July 11<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> SAM's Annual event at Cedar Hill Flying Field

July 19<sup>th</sup> - Old Farts Combat Competition at Peeler Park

Aug 12<sup>th</sup> – Model Aviation Day - Cane Ridge

Sept 9<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> MTRCCA Giant Fly-in at Dickson Airport

Nov 4<sup>th</sup> - Annual MTRCCA Swap Meet

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## June Meeting Recap

### Music City Aviators , June 2017 Meeting Minutes

**Presiding:** Tom Bible, President

**Opening Remarks:** Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm. Tom welcomed and thanked everyone for coming out and thanked the chef for preparing the club provided dinner. Motion made and carried to accept the club minutes report from May, 2017.

**Treasurers Report:** Hayes Graf is on vacation and in his absence Tom reported our current club fund balance to be \$6,024.19. Motion made and carried to accept the Treasurers Report.

**Old Business:** The on-line weather station project is still a work in progress. So far we have been unable to obtain "hot spot" internet access to the weather station information.

The club E-Flight Apprentice trainer plane and buddy box setup is ready for use. Four individuals have submitted their registrations with the AMA Introductory Pilot Program as Intro Pilot Instructors. Announcements have been made in the newsletter and on the Music City Aviators and Foambusters facebook website in the hopes of attracting interested student R/C fliers.

**New Business:** Motion made, and approved allowing purchase of a replacement wind sock. Estimated cost will be approx. \$70 and Bob Sanford will procure it.

Don Clark suggested that an emergency first aid kit should be accessible without one having to go through the usually locked clubhouse door. The MCA members agree and a kit will be procured and mounted under the outdoor shelter on our battery charging station.

In recognition and appreciation of their years of dedicated service and assistance to our club, Dave Palmer made a motion and The Music City Aviators unanimously agreed to grant lifetime club memberships to L.A. Johnston, Mike Denton, Kenny Skelton and J.W. Plummer. Thank you guys for all of the years of dedicated help and support that each of you have provided for our club. We wish you many more years of blue skies and calm air.

**Announcements:** Our sister Metro flying club at Cane Ridge (MTRCS) plans to host their June Float plane Fly-in at the Poole's Knob lake area starting at 9 am the morning of 24 June.

John Forehand announced that the next club fun-fly event will be the "Tissue Paper Drop" scheduled for our OF day of 19 July. This contest will test the ability of fliers to cut a dropped streamer of tissue paper with their RC planes. One flier at a time will attempt to intercept and cut as many times as possible, a long length of tissue that has been carried aloft and dropped by a "tow plane". The winner of this contest will be awarded a free lunch.

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## June Meeting Recap Cont.

Volunteers to act as Safety Officials are needed for the MTRCCA (Middle Tennessee R/C Clubs Association) Fall fly-in scheduled for Sept. 8th, 9th and 10th at the Dickson TN airport. T-Shirts identifying Safety Officers will be furnished by Dick Tonan. The Dickson airport and the local Tri-County R/C club is totally supporting this event, which is open to all AMA members, and will be promoting it through community involvement and advertising.

The MTRCCA supported Scot Perry Air Academy for Youth, hosted by the Beechcraft Museum in Tullahoma, TN. is looking to expand this highly successful program to include two separate classes for interested young people. This will include the previously scheduled fall class in October, plus a new one to be started in June of 2018.

Future changes and improvements to the Air Academy course of instruction will focus on all students being involved in the individual construction of Delta Dart Model Activity kits, then competition among themselves with their finished products. Also included in student activities will be construction and competition involving catapult launched gliders. The last day of instruction will involve flying the R/C models previously constructed and giving interested students R/C flight time on an instructor assisted "buddy box".

Tom gave testimony to the personal satisfaction that one gets from helping interested youth cultivate an interest in model and general aviation. Dick Tonan (MTRCCA President) related how the work we do is much appreciated by the Museum officials and told of their prize donations and support of the Association Fall fly-in. New volunteers are needed to continue and expand this great program.

The MTRCCA Fall Swap Meet is scheduled for 4 November, 2017. Volunteers are needed to help set up and conduct this event.

**Closing Remarks:** Tom asked that we keep our sick and shut-in members and friends in our thoughts and prayers.

**Next Meeting:** Scheduled for 18 July, 2017, 6:30 PM at our Peeler Park flying field with club provided meal to be served at approx. 6 PM.

**Adjourn:** 7:25 PM



James Harkreader  
MCA Secretary



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## Air To Air Combat



**At Peeler Park on July 19<sup>th</sup>!**

(note date change due to conflict with SAM's contest)

(Old Farts Wednesday) Ok, enough small talk...how good are you really? Can you cut a 10 foot toilet paper streamer dropped from just under 400 feet? Think so?

Okay, you'll have the chance as Bruce takes the streamer up with his trusty Cub and cuts it loose for your cutting pleasure. Largest number of cuts wins the free lunch. There will be multiple attempts allowed time available. One fighter pilot at a time in the air cutting the ribbon, but others may fly as normal.

Our intrepid fighter pilot will take off first, climb to an altitude he is comfortable with, and then watch as Bruce takes off and tows the streamer to the cutoff point.

Then the attack!!!!

As before, any airplane is welcome to attempt it, including gliders, quads, trainers, 3D types, etc. With TP being used even a VERY close miss, may cut it!

It all starts as soon as Bruce and I get there Wednesday, July 19<sup>th</sup> at Peeler Park.

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## Member Moments





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## Members at Warbird/Classics





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## Life Time Members Named



Mike Denton



L A Johnston



J W Plummer



Kenny Skelton