

Thrustline

Springfield Model Airplane Club February 2009

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QUICK LINKS

A reminder from the Treasurer: Dues are Due!!

Membership dues are due by the February meeting. If you can't make a meeting you can mail your dues to the treasurer:

Joe Ferrara
SMAC Treasurer
4986 W. Enon Rd.
Fairborn, OH 45324

Please make checks payable to SMAC and be sure to include a copy of your 2009 AMA membership card.

AMA Trivia: AMA Numbers 1 - 99 are reserved for AMA Presidents and are retired upon their death. AMA # 1 was Willis C. Brown from Boston, the first AMA President in 1936. There are four living past presidents: John Worth, AMA #13; Maynard Hill, AMA # 14, Don Lowe, AMA # 21 and Dave Brown, AMA # 22. Our current AMA President, Dave Mathewson is AMA #23. AMA # 100 is the first AMA number available to the membership and is currently held by our own District III VP, Bob Brown.

Suggestions/Articles/For Sale items are always welcome - Deadline the 20th of the month.

Azarr

Next Meeting: Tuesday 7:30PM Feb 3rd 09 Asbury United Methodist Church

Asbury United Methodist Church

From the Secretary: Minutes from the Jan meeting

SMAC Meeting January 6, 2009

Place: Asbury United Methodist Church

Time: 7:30 PM:

Attendance: 17 members

Secretary's report was read by Bruce Shaw and accepted as read.

Treasurer's report was read by Joe Ferrara and accepted as read.

Notes of interest from the treasure report.

December meeting pizza \$97.85 One left over expense form the swap meet: donuts \$16.00. Field rental has been paid for the year. Dues are due by the end of the next month's meeting. (February 3, 2009) As of tonight's meeting we have 31 paid members and are expecting more tonight.

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Announcement.

President Don Friesian thanked (Dick) Richard Baker for filling the VP office, Azarr for newsletter editor, Joe Ferrara - Treasure and Bruce Shaw - Secretary.

Old business:

SMAC Sign: We are looking into getting a new sign as the old sign has not been updated for several years and doesn't have anything about 2,4 Ghz radios. We will see if AMA has this available and what the cost will be.

Freeze Fly: we had 12 people in attendance several people flew once or twice.

New business

Asbury United Methodist Church Vacation bible school would like to come out and visit us at the field. We would need some volunteers to put on a demonstration for their visit.

Next December Asbury United Methodist Church would like to put on Train \ RC event. If you know of someone into Trains that could bring something in or would like to do a demo with RC helicopter indoors or other display please let us know

We are now collecting club dues for 2009 see Joe Ferrara to pay your dues.

No other new business the meeting was closed

The next Club meeting is scheduled for Tuesday February 3rd, 2009 at 7:30 PM at the Asbury United Methodist Church. 104 E. Clark Street (Rt. 41) North Hampton, OH 45349. As of this writing there is no board meeting scheduled. Please see a club officer if you have an issue you think should come before the board.

Respectfully Submitted
By Club Secretary Bruce Shaw

Event Schedule

NON FLYING

LCRC Swap and Auction - Feb 7th- Whitehall Rec Center, Columbus OH

ModelRama Swap and Auction - Feb 14th Montgomery Co Fairgrounds

FLYING

Great Planes E Fest - Champaign IL - Feb 7th & 8th

South Metro Sports Complex - Indoor sponsored by The Hobby Shop
Feb 21st - 8PM - 10:30PM

Note: Times Dates at the Sports Complex are always subject to change. Verify the times/dates on their web site a day or two before

the date.

Dear Ready Kilowatt

Dear Ready: If I know the Kv then I know which motor to use, right?

E challenged in N. Hampton



Dear E:

I see where your name comes from!!!!

Watts = Horsepower and Watts is what you need to fly your plane. It's possible to have a 100 watt motor with a Kv of 1000 and a 1000 watt motor with a Kv of 1000 yet one is 10 times more powerful than the other. Kv comes in handy **only** if a manufacturer has motors of the **same size** with different Kv's. For example, the Park 370 is available with a Kv of 1360 or 1080. So if you want a faster plane (sport) you'd choose the higher Kv, if you wanted more thrust (3D) you'd choose the lower Kv.

Watts is the magic number. (remember, it's horsepower) Here's a great rule of thumb based on Watts per weight of your plane:

Watts = Volts x Amps (Oh no, not more math)

Simple Flight: 50 Watts per pound

Acrobatic Flight: 75 - 100 Watts per pound

Extreme Acrobatics/3D 125+ Watts per pound

Stay tuned next month when E Challenged says: Come on Ready, there has to be a simple way to pick a motor!!! (hint: Online Calculators)

Ready K.

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