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"January 4th, Club Meeting at Bloomington Armory

Upcoming Meetings and Indoor Sessions:

Jan. 4, 2008, meeting and "No Cal" event

Febr. 1, meeting and "Phantom Flash" event

March 7, meeting and "Butterfly" event

April 4, meeting and "Mini-Stick" event

May 2, return to Anoka Cty Airport for spring/summer meetings

1. *Indoor Contest to be scheduled*
2. *2008 MMAC outdoor schedule*
3. *August 4-8, 2008 Free Flight NATS at Muncie.*

Indoor Flying during the winter months: At the Bloomington Armory at W. 98th Street is the site of our club meetings for the next few months, Jan. 4, Feb. 1, March 7, and April 4, 2008. Flying starts at 7:00 PM with the meeting at 8:00, and continuation until 10.

Meeting Minutes, Oct thru December

October 5, 2007: 10 in attendance. SAM chapter wants to meet with us, approved. Discussion about AMA president. Plan to have meetings during Bloomington armory flying sessions, starting December. NFFS website picture, 3 MMAC members with Ramrod 750s. Discussion about Oktoberflug, no trophies. Dave Edmonson, brought in first draft of 2008 contest schedule, Gary tabled it.

November 2: 11 in attendance. Dennis Sussman presiding. Mention about Warren Ringlien funeral service. Dennis Sussman brought in his Turkey Shoot winnings to honor Jeff Welliver "good guy" service to the club. Rosemount Armory not available for indoor flying. Decided on events for meeting/flying sessions, December Honeybee, January "No Cal", February Phantom Flash, March Butterly, and April Mini-Stick. $5 site fee per person for each meeting. Dennis brought in a similar 2008 contest schedule.

December 7: 20+ in attendance...Bloomington Armory. Two visitors, Dan Petersen and Bill Roos from the Bloomington area. Review of the 2008 contest schedule again. Vote on whether to hold the contests on Saturday or Sunday, Sunday won this time, but another motion by Dona to split them up confused the issue. (The secretary now thinks it is a bad idea to alternate, have one or the other) Gary Oakins suggested that the club officers bang their heads together a little and come up with a schedule. Suggestion to include CD phone numbers on the schedule. April 19th tentative indoor contest, Gary to check on church site? Jim Ladwig reported on the Science Olympiad in March, to be held on two weekends, and the club will provide assistance again. Jim also donated some Flying Aces magazines. With no extreme objections, the current club officers agreed to serve for 2008. Gary to bring cookies and gifts to North Branch land owners. Members suggested that he also bring at least more cookies to the January meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.



OAKIE'S ORACLES

Merry Christmas to all club members. I talked to Santa and he assures me you will receive that special model Christmas morning. If he misses your home, go and buy the plane.

The Mpls. Model Aero Club members express their heartfelt condolences to the Warren Ringlien family on the death of Warren. Warren will be missed on and off the field. He was a great competitor. Until I attended his memorial service I was unaware of Warren's many talents. He worked for the science departments at Carleton College. He was a problem solver. He would design, build, and maintain its classroom and research apparatus. We will miss you!

Once again the entire membership thanks the Harleys of Harley's Sod Farm, Blue Valley Sod, and Kevin Mann for giving us permission to fly and retrieve our models on their property. Without these kind people our club would cease to function.

Gordon Dona and his brother Steve, attended the Sam champs at Henderson Nevada, close to Las Vegas. Gordon placed 2nd in .020 Replica with his Aerbo, 4th in C Fuselage with a Buzzard Bombshell, and 5th in Nos Rubber flying a Jerry Thomas design. Brother Steve took 1st in Model of the Year event with a Trenton Terror. The site was the El Dorado Lake Bed. Gordon says it was like concrete. Nice going Donas'.

Two of our members deserve special thanks. First, Dave Edmonson, for doing the leg work to secure an expansion of our flying site. We now have permission to fly on Blue Valley's sod farm. Nineteen atta boys go to Jeff Welliver for his faithful attendance at our contests. Jeff doesn't fly but if one needs a timer Jeff is there. Many thanks Dave and Jeff.

Here is some news from NFFS. Phil Sullivan is our new president. Rest assured Phil, is well qualified for the position. Bob Hanford was reelected as central VP. Walt Rozelle the Digest editor passed away this fall. No new editor has been found as I write this article.

The contest attendance has been very low. PLEASE build a new model and plan to fly next summer. As mentioned before we will retrieve for you . Need help trimming we'll help. Need a ride call me.

THERMALS. …. **GARY**

September 15, 2007: Mini-Model Contest, CD: Dave Edmonson

P-30 (8 entries, 1 flyer)-

	Time
1. Dave Edmonson	167

1/2A/A/BC Classic Gas

	Time
1. Don Spehn	120
2. Mel Roy	21

Embryo

	Time
1 Jim Jorgenson	133
2. Don Berggren	109
3. Dennis Mills	31

Pee Wee 30

	Time
1. Jim Anderson	107

HLG/CLG

	Time
1. Dave Edmonson(CLG)	106
2. Steve Oakins	81
3. Dennis Mills (CLG)	76
4. Don Spehn (CLG)	63
NC Steve Oakins (HLG)	171
NC Dave Edmonson(HLG)	107

OldTime Rubber

	Time
1. Gary Oakins	120
2. Jim Jorgenson	75
3. Dennis Mills	52

1/2A/AB/CD Nos Gas

	Time, seconds
1. Dennis Sussman	360
2. Dave Edmonson	351
3. Gary Oakins	--5

October 6, 2007: Oktoberflug Meet, CD: Dave Braun

HLG/CLG

	Time
1. Dave Edmonson(CLG)	128
2. Steve Oakins	67
3. Don Berggren	32

AB Gas

	Time
1. Gary Oakins	339
2. Dave Edmonson	332

Mulvihill

	Time
1. Dave Edmonson	356
2. Gary Oakins	321

ABCD Gas

	Time
1. Gary Oakins	341
2. Dave Edmonson	295

P-30

	Time
1 Dave Edmonson	357
2. Jim Jorgenson	145
3. Steve Oakins	15

Embryo

	Time
1 Don Berggren	134
2. Jim Jorgenson	93

A/B/CD Nos Gas

	Time, seconds
1. Dave Edmonson	351
2. Dennis Sussman	169

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	Time
1. Don Spehn	66

October, 2007: Turkey Shoot,

Nice in the morning, but as soon as Gordon Dona showed up, the wind picked up to 15 mph.

Free for all

	Maxes
1. Dennis Sussman	3
2. Gordon Dona	2
3. Dave Edmonson	1

MMAC Points-2007		
07 Points	L-NAME	F-NAME
83	Edmonson	Dave
36	Mills	Dennis
31	Dona	Gordon
27	Oakins	Gary
20	Brown	Joshua
14	Berggren	Don
12	Petersen	Aaron
11	Sussman	Dennis
11	Ringlien	Warren
9	Jorgenson	Jim
7	Olson	Calli
6	Mendenhall	Dale
6	McDonnell	Duane
5	Watkins	John
5	Oakins	Steve
4	Roy	Mel
3	Griffiths	Bob
3	Ladwig	Jim
3	Spehn	Don
3	O'Leary	Jack
3	Anderson	Jim
2	Fessler	Gary
1	Kruse	Dave
1	Ringlien	Jeff

MMAC Club High Point Winners:

1957 Sid Jepson
1958-60 Dave Edmonson
1961-1963 Bud Cornelius
1964-1968 Dave Edmonson
1969-1976 ??????
1977-1984 Herm Fessler
1985 Dave Braun
1986 Jorge Triana
1987 Aaron Petersen
1988 Dave Braun
1989-90 Aaron Petersen
1991 Dave Braun
1992-94 Aaron Petersen
1995 Jorge Triana
1996-98 Aaron Petersen
1999-2000 Gordon Dona
2001-2002 Dave Edmonson
2003 Gordon Dona
2004 Tim Johnson
2005-2007 Dave Edmonson

Final MMAC 2007 point totals: The above totals will be given in each newsletter. Points are calculated by 3 points for a first place, 2 for second, and 1 for third, but if there are more than 3 entries, you start at the bottom and work up. You always get a point for flying an event!! This seems fair in that you get more points for a contended event. The scoring is quite simple, and if you find any errors in the tabulation, just let me know, sometimes I can't add correctly!

"Ye editor and point totaller"