



The RAMS Horn

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, December 7
7 p.m.,
WaterStone Savings Bank
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AT OUR NEXT MEETING

Christmas Holiday Party

Be sure to attend the next meeting! Why? The RAMS Club will host our annual Christmas Holiday Party for club members and their spouses/significant others. This is a great time to meet and mingle with everyone. We will conduct our usual meeting business, too, so you won't miss out.

The club will be providing Cousins Subs and soda/water. If you would like to share a holiday snack or favorite dessert, please bring it to the meeting. We would love to eat it for you. Your editor has also acquired an E-flight UMX B-25 BNF + battery that will be raffled off at the party.



RAMS CLUB LICENSES

Just a reminder that your current RAMS field license will expire on Dec. 31, 2016. Back in March, the club discussed how to handle the AMA's membership period change. The AMA membership is now a full calendar year from the time you join. For example, if you joined the AMA for one year in June 2016, your AMA would expire in June 2017. To renew your RAMS field license for 2017, you will need to show proof of your AMA coverage for the entire year of 2017. So the person in the above example would need to buy another year of AMA now, which would expire June 2018.



IN THE NEWS

Waukesha City Pipes Near Our Field

By Russell Knetzger

The City of Waukesha is starting the engineering to create a Lake Michigan water pipe from Oak Creek to Waukesha and create a sewer pipe to return the treated wastewater to the Lake. One or both pipes will pass so close to our field that it could be a perfect opportunity to accept some of the excavated soil to fill our erosion depressions along our field's east side. It would likely be free, hopefully including fine grading and seeding.

The exact locations range from an "open land" route immediately adjacent on the north side of the "Ryan Creek" that borders our north field line, or a "public street" route down 76th St. and underneath Oakwood Road. The City of Franklin has to approve the routes within its limits. Its City Engineer, Glen Morrow, PE, on Nov. 10 said underneath Oakwood is the newest favored location, but that might entail lifting Oakwood Rd. enough

to take any pipe(s) over the Root River Bridge. Would that change our entrance road elevation? The engineering work will answer that question.

Mr. Morrow assured that whatever the route, there will be ample fill for any field work we plan. The City of Waukesha is bargaining to buy the farm at the SE Corner of Oakwood & S. 60th Street to accept the return water into the Root River, which flows east through that parcel.

FROM BIG TO SMALL, WE LIKE THEM ALL

Airbus A380 Visits Milwaukee

The Airbus A380, the largest commercial airliner in the world, landed in Milwaukee around noon on Nov. 17. The aircraft is officially here for cold weather testing. One of its four huge engines is a Rolls Royce Trent XWB97.

This is an engine being developed for another Airbus plane, the new A350. This A380 in Milwaukee is a giant test bed. Unofficially, and a semi-serious theory from your editor, is that the French are here for Black Friday, and Gurnee Mills is only an hour away. The A380 has been conveniently parked near the

corner of Layton Ave. and Howell Ave. It has not flown much as the Mitchell Airport Facebook page has reported a maintenance issue. It is not sure yet when the giant will be returning to France



AMA SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP

Old Model Engines

By Russell Knetzger

Do you own old model engines to sell, want to buy, are looking for spare parts, or need expert help with running them?

Within the AMA-Academy of Model Aeronautics, there are special interest groups. One of which is MECA—the Model Engine Collectors Association—formed in 1964. They focus on model engines, airplanes as well as cars and marine, for glow, diesel, or electric.

MECA has 487 members nationwide, and 24 are listed on its Wisconsin roster. A Milwaukee area member is Donald Adriano, and he lives near West Bend. His contact info is 2284 Brookside Drive, Jackson, WI 53037-8926, tel. 262-677-2835. The most recent SE Wisconsin Swap Meet was held during the morning of Saturday, Oct. 8, 2016, at the American Legion Post in Greendale at 6351 W. Grange Avenue. At the winter Milw. R/C Association meeting Feb. 18, 2017, Don will be submitting the Wis. MECA to join the other 18 clubs in the Association.

Now is the perfect time to join MECA for 2017 to begin receiving its bimonthly newsletter. Dues are \$40 a year if you want the newsletter mailed to your home, or \$20 a year if you can download it yourself via your email. The website for MECA is www.modelenginecollectors.org.

OFFICER NOMINATIONS

For the RAMS Club 2017 Year

At the next meeting, the club will hold officer nominations. If you would like to run for the office of president, vice president, or treasurer, please attend the next meeting and ask someone to nominate you. At the January meeting, the club will vote for the people nominated. The new president will then appoint our other officers and other positions.

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 8, 2017

**Milwaukee RC Association
Auction and Swap Shop**

Waukesha County Expo Center
9:00 AM – 2:00 PM