



# The RAMS Horn

## NEXT MEETING

**Wednesday, February 5**  
7 p.m., WaterStone Savings  
Bank, 6560 S. 27th St.  
(formerly Wauwatosa  
Savings Bank)

## AREA EVENTS

**February 1, 2014:** Tri-Village  
RC'ers, Swap Shop, Wheaton,  
IL

**February 22, 2014:** Fox Valley  
Aero Club Swap Meet, St.  
Charles, IL

**March 2, 2014:** Valley Aero  
Modelers RC Show & Auction,  
Appleton, WI

## 2014 CLUB OFFICERS

**President:** Jeff Borowski  
**Vice President:** Steve Ward  
**Treasurer:** Tom Young  
**Secretary:** Bob Glowienka  
**Safety Coordinator:** Phillip  
Schumacher  
**Newsletter Editor:** Mike  
McCullough

## NEWSLETTER UPDATES

### Greetings from New Editor

I'd like to introduce myself as the new RAMS newsletter editor. My name is Mike McCullough. I have been a RAMS member for just a short time (since August 2013), but have really enjoyed the fall flying season and am looking forward to a full year of flying and fun. I have been flying Nitro RC Airplanes on and off since 2000 and have been members of a few other clubs throughout the Midwest.

My goal for the newsletter is to capture what is going on in the club,

spread the word on upcoming events, and share the fun we're having in with fellow club members, prospective members, and other guests.

Feel free to contact me if you have anything you'd like to share in the newsletter such as build projects, flying photos, and more. I have created the email address **ramsrc.editor@gmail.com** for sending in newsletter info. You may also run into me at one of the meetings and can share your info for the newsletter with me there.

## SHOW AND TELL

### Estes Proto X

At the December meeting, Jeff showed off his Estes Proto X. No, it's not a rocket. It's a miniature quadcopter. The Proto X is incredibly small, so small that you may not

believe it until you see it. It looked very stable in the air and seems



like a good way to pass some winter blues indoors. On the plus side, it has bright LEDs that make it easy to determine it's direction and comes ready to fly. On the downside, the controller is a little small and there's no replaceable battery. For around \$40, it's difficult not to like.



**BABY IT'S COLD OUTSIDE**

## Get Your Skis Shined Up

The month of January has been a bit more brutal than usual. We didn't exactly see record lows, but we did see consecutive days with negative double digit temperatures that have not been seen for decades. If you do find the courage to take a few flights, certainly warm up between tanks/batteries. The SWARM guys have also been very welcoming when it comes to warming up in their shelter.

Your editor managed to pick up some skis for his Midwest Aerostar over the holidays. They are a little difficult to install since they are spring loaded. He managed to taxi a few circles in the yard, but have not gotten them in the air yet. Despite the freezing temps, the wind has not cooperated either. On calm days, it seems to snow. On dry days, there's massive wind. Hopefully the month of February will cooperate more and January will be a frosty memory.



### HAPPY NEW YEAR 2014!

**APPLICATION REMINDER:** Membership application renewals are being accepted for 2014. Please remember to renew your membership. See you at the field!

**OBITUARY**

## Bruno Stanly, Key Force in Obtaining Oakwood Road R/C Field, Dies at 91

By **Russell Knetzger**

I have always credited Bruno as the key element in obtaining a public R/C Flying Field in the Milwaukee County Park System. While I had organized a county-wide team of R/C pilots to officially petition the County in 1977 for such a field on Oakwood Road, the petition languished in the Parks Department. It languished because they were unsure how to manage such a specialized facility.

It was Bruno, a Parks employee, who played cards with other employees on their evenings off at McCarty Park in West Allis, who prodded one of the near-to-the-top Parks supervisors to check out the Chicago situation. In Chicago, several such R/C fields were already operating in the super-huge "Park Districts" unique to greater Chicago. There, the Parks District contracts with a different local model airplane club for each field to operate that field on behalf of the Parks District.

Once the top Milwaukee County Parks executives heard of that solution, our proposal was moved through the Parks Department, and the County Board's Parks Committee, to quick approval. The field opened in September 1979. Our only difference with Chicago was the Milwaukee Association of Radio Control Clubs was the contractor, rather than one individual club. That changed in 1988 when the Association turned it over, including all mowers, etc., to the RAMS Club to become the contractor, which it is to this day.

Bruno's funeral was held January 16 at Mary Queen of Heaven Catholic Church.