

# **BCRC** Flyer

Monthly Newsletter of AMA Chartered Club No. 4779





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#### **Flight Leaders**

President – Rob Weismiller
Vice President – Philip Foiles
Secretary/Treasurer – Greg Emerick
Field Marshall –
Safety Coordinator – Mark Dudley
Intro Pilot Program – Bryan Swank
Webmaster – Colin Mowery
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#### **Where We Meet**

Currently, we meet at **the Jim Murray field**. We start at 6:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday each month.

## **Painted Porta-Potties**

A big THANKS! To **Scott Winn** for making our outdoor water(less) closets look approachable.

 Any volunteers to clean the insides?



## **Imagining a Drone Competition**

From the September meeting minutes:

"Philip has several pilots signed up to use his FPV drone course. He is pricing **drone gates that are pre-built**. A proper course would take 10-15 gates to define a racecourse."

# Get Ready to Race!

Watch for future developments. The Editor found these examples online. There are many more versions.









# September 2, 2025, Meeting Minutes

Notes from Greg Emerick, edited by Cynthia Scott

At Jim Murray flying field shelter, we (19 attendees) began with the Pledge of Allegiance and a motion to accept last month's meeting minutes as printed in the newsletter. *Approval moved by Philip Foiles and seconded by Dave Lynch.* 

#### **Officer Reports**

President - Rob Weismiller.

- AMA Flying Site Improvement Grant get a volunteer to write up a grant request to help with cost of the new mower, flight benches & shed repairs. Application opens Oct 1, 2025, final application deadline Feb. 1, 2026. Phil agreed to take this task on. Thank you, Philip!
- · We are seeking a new webmaster.

#### Vice President – Philip Foiles

• Philip has several pilots signed up to use his FPV drone course. He is pricing drone gates that are pre-built. A proper course would take 10-15 gates to define a racecourse.

**Treasurer / Secretary** – Greg Emerick reports we are solvent. We are up to 59 total member; the counts includes 12 youth and 47 adult paid members. We have a new member who joined us today, Cass Butler. He is new to R/C and flies an apprentice trainer plane. He is going to participate in the Intro Pilot Training program.

**Webmaster –** Open, new site pending

Field Marshall - Bryan Swank, Interim:

- Progress on the New Flight Line benches: The new prototype is out at the flying field now. It looks like a great design & very robust to the weather. Seeking donations to help fund 3 more benches. Each bench cost \$350 to build. Donations of any amount are greatly appreciated.
- The club has done a great job volunteering to get tasks done at the flying field. We have had 10 different people mowing this season, way to go club! Several people helped with the shed repairs & painting. Folks have helped with spraying the parking lot weeds. A team of several folks took up the Geotext runway. Chris Ross helped Bryan on the build of the new flight bench design. Chris also took the Geotex remnants to the dump for us. A big thank you from your club president, Rob Weismiller!

**Intro Pilot Program Coordinator** – Bryan Swank announced we have a new adult trainee, Carl Sexton. Several other students are progressing through the program. He thanks the trainers for volunteering.

Safety Coordinator – Mark Dudley.

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#### **Events**

Young Eagles will fly September 13 at the Columbus Airport and September 6th at the North Vernon Airport. Sign up at EEAchapters.org if you have a child who wants a young Eagles flight. Our participation in this program gives an opportunity to show RC and promote the Pilots program. Ken Erickson, Philip Foiles, & Bryan Swank may be able to attend to promote the club.

#### **Old Business**

- Rob Weismiller reports the Columbus PD drone training program is approved by the BCSWMD board, and an updated land use agreement has documented this arrangement. Rob will arrange for them to come do a show & tell on their program at a club meeting & sort out their schedule.
- Ken Erickson says Allison Williams, assistant manager at the airport, leads a group called Women in Aviation. They would like to come to our field for demos & RC flight training. She suggested Wed Sept 10th, 6:30-8pm. Volunteers needed to do demo flights & RC flight training. Rob Weismiller, Bentley Weismiller, Bryan Swank, Greg Emerick, & Philip Foiles agreed to volunteer.

**Show & Tell**– Tom Kohler shared his antique 1952 MG TD car! He's looking forward to taking it on upcoming road trips. Thanks for sharing this, Tom!

# **Sponsors Stepped Up**

Update from Bryan Swank

Great news on the safety benches. We now have **7 of the 8 benches funded!** If you are planning on being part of sponsoring one and just haven't gotten around to it let me know. To close the gap, we are looking for **\$350**. I am hopeful that we can raise the funds prior to our next meeting.

As Greg mentioned at our last meeting we would like to **collect the funds** at our **October 7** meeting. I have more than half of the material on order already and don't see any big obstacles in getting them built over the winter. A big thank you to all of those who have contributed to this project thus far.







#### **Women in Aviation**

by Bryan Swank

On the evening of **September 10**, our club had the pleasure of hosting members from the recently formed Columbus chapter of **Women in Aviation International**. Their goal is to increase awareness of the opportunities for women in all facets of aviation.



We were blessed with great weather, and we started the evening with introductions. The folks from the visiting organization were

- Chris Raskob the director or Cummins Aviation;
- Margaret Rayburn a junior at Columbus North High School, who would like to obtain her private pilot's license;
- Allison Williams the current Assistant Columbus Airport Director;
- Stacey Weismiller mother of Bentey who performed a great 3D demonstration for the group.



# Women in Aviation, continued

**Philip Foiles** began by talking about his fleet of quadcopters followed by several flying demonstrations.

From left to right are Chris Raskob, Margaret Rayburn, Allison Williams, Stacey Weismiller and her daughter Briley.





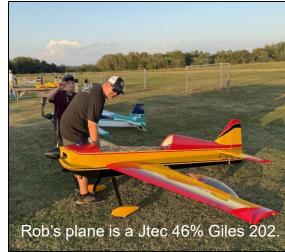
One of Philip's demonstrations was to fly in the first-person view (FPV) mode while using his phone to show **Margaret Rayburn** what the camera was seeing.

**Bryan Swank** watches closely.



Both **Rob Weismiller** and his son **Bentley** did some spectacular flights with their big aerobatic planes. Rob did an IMAC routine and Bentley showed his skill doing some complex





# Women in Aviation, continued

**FPV Drone Demonstration** 



# Artificial Intelligence (AI) Helped the Editor Understand...

An FPV drone stands for First-Person View drone. It's a type of unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) that transmits live video from its onboard camera directly to a pilot's goggles or screen, providing an immersive, real-time experience as if the pilot were on the drone. This method allows for unique, highly dynamic flight control and is popular for freestyle, racing, and cinematic video production.



# Women in Aviation, continued



As always it is enjoyable telling folks about our wonderful hobby. And just maybe in a small way we created a spark of interest that will contribute to their organization's mission of seeing more women pursuing careers in aviation.

## **Shared in Face Book: B-21 Raider**

Bob Cundiff shared this video image on Face Book



Wikipedia information:







The Northrop Grumman B-21 Raider is an American strategic bomber in development for the United States Air Force by Northrop Grumman. Part of the Long Range Strike Bomber program, it is to be a stealth intercontinental strategic bomber that can deliver conventional and thermonuclear weapons.

# **Johnson County Radio Control Flyers**

# is hosting their



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual AMA Pilots and Family End of Year Celebration!

\* Limited Quantity \*
First 20 pilots who
register will receive
a custom event coaster.

# Saturday, October 11, 2025 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. EDT

The first annual picnic style gathering with a fly-in and tailgate swap meet was a refreshing way to close a great flying season.

# **AMA Required. AMA Pilot Details:**

- Landing fee of \$10.00 is waived with a picnic pitch-in item to share.

#### **JCRCF Field Amenities:**

- Restrooms with running water



Visit http://jcrcf.net for more club information.

Spectators are welcome!