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President's Message

Happy New Year RCRC Members!

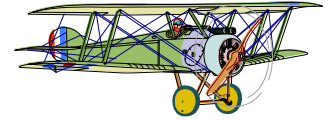
As we begin 2016, we are challenged with the issue of FAA UAS registration. The AMA initially advised its membership to hold-off registering the FAA. Today (11-Jan-2016), the AMA has released a statement realizing it is unlikely that any solution coming from its negotiations with the FAA will be finalized by the registration deadline of 19-Feb-2016. As a result, the AMA is now recommending registration for those that do not wish to violate the federal rule. FAA registration will still be free (via refund) until Tuesday 19-Jan-2016.

After extensive discussion amongst the membership body present at the December 2015 meeting, it was decided that RCRC will NOT impose any new rules or regulations whatsoever related to FAA registration until directed to do so by the AMA or the City of Huntsville.

The online registration is a relatively quick and painless task, and a paper method is also available. I would like to remind everyone that while the FAA is now mandating UAS registration, **NO NEW RULES OR REGULATIONS ARE BEING IMPOSED** on us or our aircraft.

Please don't let something like this rob or ruin your enjoyment and love of being an RC pilot and builder. While it will take some time for the organizations involved to work out the path ahead, I do not believe that FAA registration is the death knell of this great hobby! Wherever you fall on the issue of registration, please continue to enjoy yourself and carry-on business as usual.

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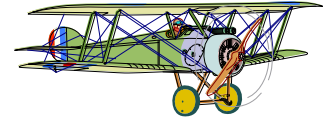
To date, we have only had 55 membership renewals out of our 2015 membership of 155. If you haven't done so already, please renew your membership online at the RCRC website.

The proposed bylaw changes have been posted online at the RCRC website and online voting is available and encouraged. The proposed bylaw changes along with voting ballots are included in this newsletter and must be returned by the 16-Feb-2016 meeting.

Happy Flying!!!

Bob Templeton, President RCRC

AMA Member Communication: <http://goo.gl/2kxjQn>



**Minutes of the December 15th, 2015
RCRC Club Meeting**

Meeting called to order by president, all officers were present. A quorum was present. Membership renewal was available after meeting.

A new member was present, John Ford. John says he flies electric mostly. Welcome to the club John!

Treasurer Report:

- December income was reported as \$902.97
- December expenses were reported as: \$745.00 to Camp AMA, \$66.00 to USP mail box. \$90.00 to Sanitation, \$13.21 for locks and batteries, and Bank Fees totaling \$15.00.
- Balances were: Checking Account: \$1698.35, Money MKT \$7686.07, \$147 in Donation Account.

The report content was approved by the membership.

Old Business: Last month's meeting minutes were voted on and passed.

Safety Officer Report - Nothing to report, also voted on and passed.

Toys for Tots event: The Toys for Tots event generated \$495 and 17 toys, which were taken to the distribution center. There were 17 pilots registered for the event. Thanks to all who participated and helped.

New Business: Avion Incorporated - Tayler Abington and Dan Carbone were in attendance.

Discussed information on drones and available training for both recreational and professional pilots. Discussed FAA registration policy, Commercial UAS's, and the FAA Know before you fly website.

Member support for club, and involvement with club activities.

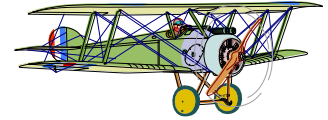
FAA Policy/Registration Statement. Note that link for the FAA Registration link is on RCRC website. This starts December 21, 2015. Registration good for 3 years, cost is \$5.00

February 20, 2016 is the deadline for registration.

An E-mail blast by Bob Templeton to all members will follow with complete information.

John Pieczynski proposed the following change to RCRC Flying Field Regulations:

Change to part 8-B to read - No flying over or behind the "0" line. The "0" line is the west edge of the runway. This motion was discussed and voted on. The results were 16 in favor of this change, and 2 opposed. Proposal was thus passed.



Change to the bylaws for RCRC, Quorum Requirements.

Change to read - 10% of membership or 10 people to qualify as a quorum. This proposed change is attached for voting, as mentioned in the president's message.

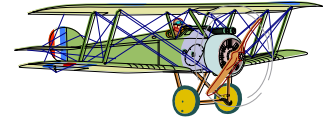
Paul Webb recently notified the board that he was unable to be the CD for Big Bird Event 2016. We still need a volunteer to fill this position.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Alan Berard.

January 5th, 2016 Board of Directors Meeting

A BOD meeting was not held this month.



RCRC Bylaw changes

Original Bylaw

**Article Four
Meetings**

Section 4: The presence of not less than twenty percent (20%) of the voting members or twenty (20) voting members (whichever is less) two of which must be officers, shall constitute a quorum.

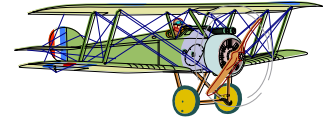
Proposed Change

**Article Four
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Yes _____

No _____



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TO:

2016 RCRC EVENTS

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May 7, 2016	All Day	Swap Meet	CD: Alan Berard	
May 21, 2016	All Day	Club Day	ED: Vice President	
June 17, 2016	All Day	Big Bird	CD: TBD	
July 16, 2016	All Day	Pylon Races	CD: Alan Berard	
August 19, 20, 2016	All Day	War Bird	CD: TBD	
September 17, 18, 2016	All Day	AMA Pattern	CD: Jon Lowe	
November 19, 2016	All Day	Toys for Tots	CD: Alan Berard	

The field will be closed to members on Friday at noon before all field events, except Club Day and Toys for Tots. The field will be released back to the club by CD when the event is finished.