

WING NUTZ & BOLTS

NEWSLETTER - January 2025



CLUB OFFICERS FOR 2025

The following club officers were voted on and approved by the members present at the December 2024 virtual meeting:

President: Ed Waske EdW@easwaero.com

Vice President: Jason Hall jasonhall@halldrilling.com

Secretary: Mark Radcliff maradcliff@hotmail.com

Treasurer: Jesse Danielson rcpiilot123@suddenlink.net

Safety Officer: Bryan Poling futaba60@gmail.com

2025 DUES ARE DUE!

Have you renewed your Wing Nutz club membership for 2025? Due to cold weather and Covid/Flu concerns we are not meeting in person so please **mail a check for \$40** to our club treasurer: **Jesse Danielson 24449 Energy Highway New Martinsville, WV 26155.**

Don't forget to renew your AMA dues for 2025!

<https://www.modelaircraft.org/membership/enroll>

Due to cold weather the club meets via Zoom. The next scheduled meeting is Sunday February 2, 2025, at 2 PM. Watch for an email invitation a few days before the meeting.

The club is trying to decide what types of events to host this year. Please attend the meetings and provide input to help guide the future of the Wing Nutz club.



The Wing Nutz flying field is a Federal Aviation Administration Recognized Identification Area (FRIA). This means you can fly your models at our field without having to purchase a Remote Identification Device (RID). The club purchased and installed a sign that shows we are authorized by the FAA to fly model airplanes and drones at this facility. With all the wild “drone” sightings that have been occurring this sign assures the public our right to fly here.

The Floods of 2024



A drone shot of the flooding looking north. Look closely you can see the top of our building and pavilion.



On April 4 2024 mother nature reared its ugly head with severe flooding of our field. As the water was receding a week later on April 12 we experienced another flood! There was considerable damage, namely our entire electric system had to be replaced. The club received \$1000 from the AMA Diaster Relief Fund which helped cover the cost to repair/replace flood damaged items. Thank you to members that pitched in and utilized their time, talents, and money to get the field up and running in time for the flying season.



John Kerr paints a repaired airplane bench.



Tractors required maintenance to get them running.



While the flooding was a setback it didn't stop the club from participating in events. On June 1, 2024 the Wood County Airport had a Youth Aviation Day featuring model displays, STEM education and flying demos provided by the Wing Nutz and the Sky Sharks.



President Ed presides over the Wing Nutz Display



Wing Nutz and Sky Sharks displays



An adult watches as a youngster assembles an AMA Glider.

On August 9-10, 2024 the Wing Nutz once again participated in the 4th annual Carl Hopkins Youth Aviation Expo in Bridgeport, WV. This event continues to educate area residents of the aviation opportunities available in WV.



A new youth aviation education event was held at the Jackson County Airport in honor of WV native & war hero General Chuck Yeager. Mrs. Victoria Yeager attended and Wing Nutz members helped with buddy boxing. The new AMA District III VP Randy Adams attended along with the AMA Education Trailer. The Wing Nutz are again invited for 2025 which will feature a model aviation airshow and more!



AMA Dist. III VP Randy Adams's buddy boxing a young boy.



The AMA trailer was busy with young folk flying the RC Simulator



Mark gives an RC flying lesson to Mrs. Victoria Yeager.



A nice full scale homebuilt Stolp Starduster on display



Dist. III VP Randy Adams prepares for another training flight.

Valuable Resources

Here is a document concerning electric motors, batteries, etc. I came across from the Clinton Model Aviators in Wilmington, OH. This covers the basics and explains a lot about how to find the right motor and batteries and ESC for our planes. Easy to read and understand.



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District III Website (OH, PA, WV) www.amadistrict-iii.com

FAA Registration: <https://faadronezone-access.faa.gov/#/>

FAA TRUST Test: <https://modelaircraft.org/trust>

AMA Club Finder: <https://www.modelaircraft.org/club-finder>

AMA Museum: <https://www.modelaircraft.org/welcome-national-model-aviation-museum>

Flight School: <https://www.amaflightschool.org/>

AMA Foundation: <https://amafoundation.modelaircraft.org/>

AMA Safety Program: <https://www.modelaircraft.org/sites/default/files/documents/100.pdf>

AMA Safety Code: <https://www.modelaircraft.org/sites/default/files/105.pdf>

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