

Wyoming Modelers' Park Association



The Prez Sez

Can you believe it, on Sept. 16 WyMoPa is ten years old. Seems like the time has flown by (no pun intended). We'll celebrate with Brats and Beans and of course Birthday Cake. Come on out on Saturday the 17th and help us celebrate.

Our next meeting is this Tuesday September 13th at the Reach Foundation. We start at 7:00.

AMA Attends the 2011 AUVSI North America Conference

Information received at the recent AUVSI conference indicates the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) for FAA's proposed regulation for small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS) is on track for release in mid December 2011. It's anticipated the new rule will address model aircraft operations and will provide a provision for community based organizations such as the AMA to submit their own set of standards. If adopted, these standards will provide the modeling community an alternative means of complying with the sUAS rule. At this point AMA is hard at work in developing a set of standards aimed at allowing the aeromodeling enthusiasts to continue enjoying the hobby in much the same way as they do today.

AMA is also preparing for the release of the NPRM. Once released there will be a 90-120 day public comment period allowing AMA members and other stakeholders the opportunity to comment on the proposed rule. AMA is working toward providing its members a simple and effective means for responding to the NPRM. It will also provide analysis and commentary on the impact of the proposed rule and suggestions for improving the rule before the Final sUAS Rule is published in late 2012.

It is more important than ever that the AMA membership become well-informed and vigilant in keeping abreast of the sUAS issue as the rulemaking process unfolds. Timely updates can be found on this AMA webpage, on Facebook by Liking 'AMAGov', and on Twitter at, <http://twitter.com/AMAGov>.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is 7:00 pm, Tuesday September 13th, 2011, at the Reach Foundation Clubhouse, 622 North West 8th Street. See you there.

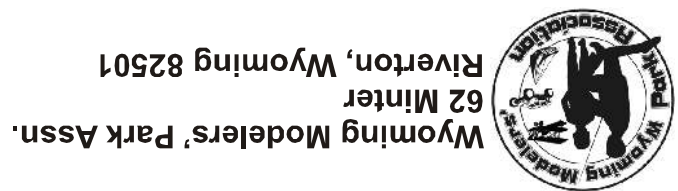
The off-road car stand now has a roof thanks to Bob Felton, Brad Morton and their friend John. These guys have worked through the summer to get it finished up. We have a grant from the District 25 Rec Board to get it painted. Both car tracks are ready to go. Let's see some action.

Speaking of Grants, we have a grant for placement of a shelter at the boat lake. Only problem is the river this spring decided to make it's channel through the lake, so the lake is gone. Come to the next meeting is you have an idea of how we might use the money.

The Ice Melter Mini-Z race is scheduled for February 18th and 19th. The Wind River Casino is advertising for us this year and they will give us discounted rooms in the new hotel. We have seven racers confirmed from Utah and more racers coming from Colorado and Casper. Two hobby shops (Wheels and Wings and Salt Lake Mini-Z) will be on hand to sell you stuff. This should be the biggest Mini-Z race yet!

With the mention of Wheels and Wings, if you haven't been there in a while and you are in Casper you need to check it out. It is truly a full service hobby shop with great stocks of planes, cars/trucks, boats, rockets, kites and all the little parts that are so necessary. For the car folk, there is even an off-road course as well as a rock climbing course. They have an indoor Mini-Z track. They are scheduling car races both outside and indoors when the weather changes. Check them out on the web.

A safety reminder. Remember fliers there is no taxiing in the pit area. Use the starting bench, or big bird pad, and move your plane to the safety line. Hope to see you at the Park.



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