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Newsletter of the Rocky Mountain Soaring Association

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Bob Pederson

Well, here we go with a new year of soaring in Colorado. Hope you all had a great holiday and are furiously building and repairing your ships for another season of competition and fun flying.

I want to thank the club for allowing me to represent the club as president this year. I've been a member of RMSA since 1980 and have held a number of officer positions since then but never president. I only hope that I can fill the mighty big shoes that Jim Monaco left behind. Thanks Jim for everything you do to help the club. I also want to thank Tony O'Hara for his many years as newsletter editor. Mark Howard is picking up that task along with being club treasurer again. Thanks Mark. Bob Rice continues as club secretary and membership guru. Thanks Bob. Also, thanks to Blayne Chastain who has volunteered to serve as Vice President.

The first meeting of this year will be January 14, 7:00 PM at Skip Miller Models at their hanger at Longmont airport. The meeting agenda will cover:

- Contest schedule for 2015
- Rules updates including field rules with respect to F3K (DLG flying)
- Clarify F3K contest award structure and look at using an out-of-state contest for yearly scores
- Contest and membership fees review (nothing new is being proposed here, I just want to clarify what is presently being charged and leave the floor open for adjustments as the membership sees fit.
- Ideas for meeting programs that will draw the membership to our monthly meetings

I know this is a lot to cover and we probably won't get to some of these items this month. We will likely have to carry over some of these items until February. The most important thing we should finish this month is setting the 2015 contest schedule. We need to set our schedule before other clubs absorb the most desirable dates. This will also allow our members and out of state pilots plan their travel for the year. It would be great if all of the CDs in the club (we have 22!) could make this meeting and plan to volunteer for a contest or two. I know that Longmont is a long way for some of you to travel for a club meeting. If you can't make the meeting and you have any preference as to a date or contest that you would like to CD, please let me know via e-mail (bpedersn@colomail.com) or by phone (970-532-3437)

One last thing, please get your membership renewals in to Bob Rice.

Respectfully submitted
Bob Pederson

RMSA Facebook Group Page

RMSA has a new Facebook page – which is a great place to share ideas and information. This is a closed group.

The link is <https://www.facebook.com/groups/424146784408056/>

You can also get there by finding the group by name “Rocky Mountain Soaring Association”

You need to be a group member so you should either

1. Ask to join the group using your Facebook account at the group page
2. Send me a request to be added via Facebook message - <https://www.facebook.com/mark.howard.775>
3. Friend me on Facebook – message and I'll add you to the group
4. Email me (howard4113@msn.com) and I'll add you to the group

RC AUCTION

JEFCO AEROMOD'LERS RC CLUB PRESENTS

QUESTIONS? Bruce Riley
Auction Coordinator
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Saturday, Feb 7, 2015

**BACK THIS YEAR!
BUYERS & SELLERS
PRE-REGISTER ONLINE!**

**No Admission Fee to
View Merchandise.
\$10 Registration Fee
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**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
NEW! ONE DAY AUCTION**

FRIDAY—FEB 6

11am—8pm Merchandise Check In

SATURDAY—FEB 7

8am—6pm AUCTION

Merchandise Check In—Till Noon

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2014 Championship Results

			Open 1	Open 2	DLG 1	DLG 2	Cross 1	Type	Cross 2	Type		Best 6	Place
Skip Miller			1000.00	1000.00	1000.00	988.00	1000.00	CC	918.62	ALES		5906.62	1
John Lovins			1000.00	998.76	938.60	852.00			998.76	F3J NM		4788.12	4
Jim Monaco			998.29	977.69	786.50	627.70	885.75	ALES	998.29	F3J Nats		5274.22	2
Mike Verzuh			1000.00	998.73			1000.00	ALES	1000.00	F3J D		3998.73	5
Lenny Keer			992.05	963.98			813.40	ALES	953.20	F5B WC		3722.63	6
Blayne Chastain			1000.00	1000.00					999.64	F3J Nats		2999.64	7
Jim Rogers			995.97	991.90					988.00	F3J NM		2975.87	8
Jon Padilla			972.53	867.47	1000.00	1000.00			972.53	F3J D		4812.53	3
Mark Howard			979.06	878.00					813.24	F3J D		2670.30	9
Dave Runyon					987.70	984.80	617.51	ALES				2590.01	10
Bob Pedersen			844.58		859.80	828.00						2532.38	11
John Jonke					1000.00	1000.00						2000.00	12
Dave Runyon					987.70	984.80						1972.50	13
Bowdie Ormsbie					990.00	931.40						1921.40	14
Harold Bailey					928.30	885.50						1813.80	15
Reid Roberts					899.10	897.70						1796.80	16
Gary Jensen					976.00	767.20						1743.20	17
Ira Faberman					933.20	782.40						1715.60	18
Rick Coate					625.70	447.40						1073.10	19
Bob Lewan			886.07									886.07	20
Doug Englert					885.60							885.60	21
AD					773.60							773.60	22
Sam Pendleton					713.00	52.30						765.30	23
Ian Purdue					763.30							763.30	24
Jeff Burg					706.20							706.20	25
Terry Grau							476.58	ALES				476.58	26
Brandon Blair					396.00							396.00	27
Dale Terry					245.70							245.70	28
Bob Pederson													29

2014 Open Standings

	Mar	Apr	May	June	F3JR	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov		Nat. Lvl.	Name	Best 6	Place
Masters														
Skip Miller	917.38			945.85	997.73		1000.00		1000.00		1000.00	F3J NM	5860.96	1
Blayne Chastain	1000.00		915.51	1000.00	927.21			1000.00	871.74		999.64	F3JNATS	5842.36	2
John Lovins	804.22		1000.00	940.56			888.86	935.66	969.90		998.76	F3JNM	5733.74	3
Jim Monaco	936.72		886.59	927.96	922.89		977.96	947.57	839.41		998.29	F3J NATS	5711.39	4
Jim Rogers	914.75		995.97		892.07		991.90	920.23	826.61		988.00	F3JNM	5702.92	5
Lenny Keer	848.35		556.06	960.21				992.05	963.98		953.20	F5B WC	5273.85	6
Mike Verzuh					998.73				939.37		1000.00	F3JD	2938.10	7
Mark Howard			979.06		878.65						813.24	F3JD	2670.95	8
Jon Padilla					867.47						972.53	F3JD	1840.00	9
Bob Lewan					886.07								886.07	10
Bob Pedersen									844.58				844.58	11
Don Ingram	705.61												705.61	12
Sportsman														
Reid Roberts	1000.00						1000.00	1000.00	1000.00				4000.00	1
Jim DeGroot	1000.00			1000.00				867.45	971.18				3838.63	2
Gary Baughman	945.35						971.92						1917.27	3
Jim Smith	731.73												731.73	4

Results from F3K Events For 2014

The following table lists all the DLG contest pilots who participated this year and their standing. Note that we did not count any out-of-state contests this year. I plan to propose that we add one out-of-state contest to the list as is done with F3J scoring in 2015. If you have an opinion for or against this proposal please come to the meeting or let me know before Jan 14th so your voice will be heard.

Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total	Rank
Jon Padilla	1000.0	1000.0	1000.0	1000.0	999.2	962.6	0.0	0.0	4999.2	1
John Jonke	1000.0	1000.0	971.3	962.3	959.4	955.2	879.7	659.7	4893.0	2
Skip Miller	1000.0	988.0	973.4	972.4	868.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	4802.2	3
Dave Runyon	987.7	984.8	938.4	934.6	767.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4612.5	4
Harold Bailey	928.3	885.5	842.1	791.2	505.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	3952.3	5
Bob Pederson	859.8	828.0	788.5	731.4	618.2	614.0	609.0	0.0	3825.9	6
John Lovins	938.6	852.0	824.4	646.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3261.5	7
Bowdie Ormsbie	999.0	931.4	851.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2781.4	8
Reid Roberts	899.1	897.7	804.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2601.1	9
Ira Faberman	933.2	782.4	704.7	103.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2523.3	10
Gary Jensen	976.0	767.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1743.2	11
Jim Monaco	786.5	627.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1414.2	12
Rick Coate	625.7	447.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1073.1	13
Doug Englert	885.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	885.6	14
AD	773.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	773.6	15
Sam Pendleton	713.0	52.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	765.3	16
Ian Purdue	763.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	763.6	17
Jeff Burg	706.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	706.2	18
Dale Terry	245.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	245.7	19

The highest 5 scores were use for final ranking

If you want a summary of your individual scores per contest, please contact Bob Pederson.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE: Pike Perfect ET, yellow wing and orange fuse. Ready to fly: Newer wing servos (94761 on ailerons and DS398 on flaps), DS3421 on elevator and DS368 on rudder. With Airtronics 92104 receiver and eneloop 1900 mAh NiMH battery. Also includes factory original ballast set, fuse cover, reflective wing and stab covers AND carrying bag. **\$950**

Questions? Please call Jim Rogers, 303-933-8997

RMSA 2015 Calendar Of Events - TBD

[\(click for online version that may be more current\)](#) Note:-Italicized entries are changes from original

Rocky Mountain Soaring Association - 2015

RENEWAL _____ NEW MEMBER _____ SPONSOR _____

Please complete the following information for our records:

Family Memberships - Please make and complete a copy for EACH flying family member!

Name : _____ Need name badge? Yes

Address:

Year Joined RMSA: _____

_____ Home Phone: _____

_____ Work Phone: _____

AMA #: _____ AMA Contest Director? Yes No

AMA Class Open Youth Family Birth Date: ___/___/_____

LSF #: _____ LSF LEVEL: ___ NSS #: _____ E-Mail: _____

RMSA Membership Class Senior Only Senior W/Family Associate Family
(Note - Senior W/Family receive THERMALS - other Family members check Family Box)

Non-Flying Family members: _____

RMSA Competition Class Novice Sportsman Master

RMSA Offices Held _____

MODELS OWNED

PLANE SPAN COLOR (Top,Bott.,Fuse) CLASS (Open,HLG,Std..) FREQUENCY

Interests: Sports Flying T/D contests HLG Contests NSS Soar-ins F3J
F3B X-C contests Slope contests Other _____

Past Achievements: _____

Dues: \$ 7.50 New Member Initiation Fee
\$ 7.50 Junior - under 17
\$ 35.00 Senior - individual 17 and over
\$ 40.00 Family - any number (same address)
\$ 8.00 Associate (newsletter only)

Make checks payable to RMSA

Comments and suggestions are ENCOURAGED! Please include these with your form!

REMEMBER TO SIGN THE FIELD RULES!!!

Please send to:

RMSA
% Bob Rice
1860 S. Vrain St
Denver CO 80219

ROCKY MOUNTAIN SOARING ASSOCIATION FIELD RULES

1. The sod farm operations take precedence over **ALL** activities. We use the field at the convenience of the owner.
2. All members will follow **ALL** instructions from **ANY** sod farm personnel without question.
3. When sod farm operations are occurring during a flying session it is **OUR** responsibility to ensure that we will not interfere with operations. If it is unclear as to what is happening or where they intend to mow or work try to talk to workers or management and always move equipment or vacate the premises if necessary. Some workers do not speak very good English – in that case you must make every effort to avoid conflict or interference with operations.
4. Park only in the designated parking areas Do not park on grass, dirt or roads.
5. Avoid setting up on newly seeded areas or young grassy areas. The nice grassy areas are better to land on anyway!
6. Establish a frequency control pole and tag system! Frequency control is to be in effect at all times!! All members will post their frequency control tags on the pole and if there are conflicts, please exercise safety sense as well as share the flight time.
7. Parking and pit areas should be as condensed as possible for the safety of launch and landing.
8. Establish flight line areas for winch launch, high start launch, and hand launch that are separate for the sake of launch, flight & landing safety.
9. Flying over the parking/pit areas at less than 30 feet is prohibited. Doing so in competition **WILL** result in a zero flight score and during R/R flying a disciplinary action by the club.
10. No aerobatics or speed runs over the parking/pit/Launch/Landing zones.
11. Do not launch if a plane is circling in a launch zone: vacate the launch zone as soon as possible if someone is waiting to launch.
12. When entering a thermal occupied by other aircraft, enter in the same direction as the first aircraft
13. Landing aircraft have the right of way!
14. In the event of no mechanical retriever, please shag your own chute/line for the flight
15. Please share the usage of club equipment so that all have equal flight time.
16. Please be courteous and helpful to your fellow flyers as well as informative to all guests/spectators. Enjoy yourself and others!!
17. Absolutely no debris or trash is to be left on the field! Please take it home with you for disposal.
18. Make sure that your plane and electronics are airworthy before each flight. Exercise good safety sense in your flight
19. The aircraft will have an identification name/address or AMA number on or in the model in case of loss.
20. You **MUST** tag your winch/high start spikes or stakes with fluorescent tape so they are easily spotted on the field by all concerned. Members may be fined \$10 for each stake or nail not so marked. Previous damage to sod farm equipment from spikes left in the ground has made this rule **EXTREMELY** important.
21. Absolutely no alcoholic beverages will be consumed, prior to or during participation in any model event on the flying field.

I understand and will comply with all RMSA field rules:

Signature



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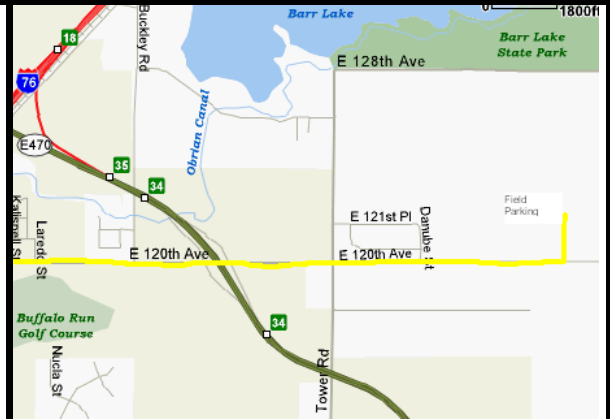
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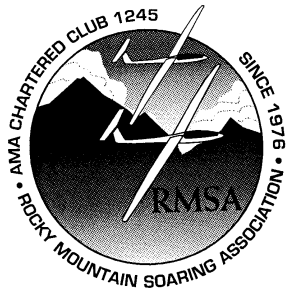
If you are interested in using a club winch please contact Mike for the first time, and I will insure you have all the details for trailer access. Also if you are a new member and have not had a winch operation and safety briefing we will coordinate that.



Directions to Field

Take I-76 to exit 16. Turn left and follow the frontage road to the stoplight and turn east onto 120th eastbound towards the airport. Take 120th East to Tower Rd. Take 120th east of Tower Rd about 3/4 miles. We fly on the North side of 120th which is the SE quadrant of the sod farm.

Flying for RMSA members and accompanied guests only.



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