

Sharks Tales

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Newsletter of the
Sheboygan Area Radio Kontrol Society
March 2024
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The Prez Sez...

By Mike Gradinjan



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Say Hey, SHARKSters!

The field is seeing more and more activity! Crashes out in the farmers' muddy fields will weigh heavily on your shoes, but the grass and paved runways are fine. The race tracks are weeks away from drying out, and then we'll revamp them for another season of frivolity.

Oostburg indoor flying continues every Wednesday evening from 6-9 into April. Attendance has been lagging this year, so please make an effort to use these opportunities before we need to cancel for lack of interest. Enter through the northern doors on the west side of the building. Please note there'll be no indoor flying whenever a basketball game takes precedence. Any closure updates are always posted on our [Calendar Page](#).

[On Track RC](#) continues to stock more racing inventory. The indoor 1/16-1/18 scale track is available when they're open. I believe it's \$10/day. A SHARKS membership is a lot cheaper! ;-)

AHC Movie Night is this week, when we'll show [Sink the Bismarck](#) at 7PM, Friday, March 8. Indoor flyers and helpers should be there at 6PM. Let [Graham](#) know if you can lend a hand. Hours count towards your club dues work obligation.

Our next SHARKS membership meeting will be Saturday, April 13 at 10 AM in the AHC library at the Sheboygan County Airport. We'll be taking nominations for the May election. We'll also talk about field maintenance for the summer ahead. Bring some of your winter projects for Show-n-Tell!

Make sure your AMA or ROAR memberships are up to date so you can complete your [2024 SHARKS Membership Application](#), which is included in this newsletter. Unless you're an opt-out member, remember you needed 15 hrs of club benefiting activities in 2023 to complete your obligation. This includes additional adult members where the first member is an opt-out. Please include \$5/unfulfilled hour with your 2024 application.

Remember that besides your AMA membership, flyers also need an FAA registry. The AMA has a detailed set of instructions at <https://amablog.modelaircraft.org/amagov/2022/08/09/update-to-the-faa-dronezone-and-registration-renewal-process/> which should help guide you through the process.

If you're planning to be a new SHARKS Park member, you have the choice of joining as an AMA Park Pilot or a ROAR member. You only need one or the other to cover your required insurance, but the AMA Park Pilot license would allow you to fly small electric models as well as race. If you plan on visiting other ROAR facilities, then the ROAR membership would be the way to go. Right now there's only one other ROAR affiliated club in Wisconsin, the [Sheboygan RC Club](#), but the choice is yours. You'll find links to the [AMA](#) & [ROAR](#) on our links page <http://www.sharksrc.com/related.htm>, or just click on the names here. Be sure to include your AMA license or ROAR membership # on our [SHARKS application](#). A SHARKS membership will be required for use of our facilities from now on.

As always, contact me or any officer or board member with any questions or concerns you have, but in the meantime, Happy Flying RC'ing!

That's about it for now-

Mike

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2024 S.H.A.R.K.S. Membership Renewal Notice

The basic dues for membership in the SHARKS for 2024 are \$50 for Regular Membership, \$25 for an Additional Family Membership, and \$5 for Junior Membership (18 and younger) and are due in January 2024. Also, you will have the option of volunteering for 15 hours of club-benefiting activities or opting-out for an additional \$75. Please fill out this invoice completely and bring it with your payment to the February meeting, or send it with your check, made out to **SHARKS**, to the Treasurer:

Joe Kuranz
2850 Ashby Court
Sheboygan, WI 53081

Type of Membership (Check One)
 Regular _____ Additional _____ Junior _____

Name _____ Phone (_____) _____

Address _____ AMA/ROAR# _____

e-mail _____

Parent or Guardian Signature if Junior _____

Would you like to receive the *Sharks Tales* newsletter via e-mail? Yes _____ No _____

Choose Your Dues

Type of Membership	Junior	Regular	Additional Family Adult
Basic Dues	\$5.00	\$50.00	\$25.00
Check here if volunteering for 15 hours of club-benefiting activities for 2024	N/A		
-OR- Add \$75.00 for Opt-Out	N/A		
\$5.00/hour of activities not completed in 2023	N/A		
Total Dues:	\$5.00		

If volunteering for club service, please check any activities you would be interested in participating in. This is not intended to force you into any particular activity, but it will help us find volunteers if we need more help in a particular area.

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| _____ Club Officer | _____ Flight Instructor | _____ Other (Please List) |
| _____ Newsletter | _____ Public Relations | _____ |
| _____ Fun-Fly Duties | _____ Exhibits/Demos | _____ |
| _____ Field Maintenance | _____ AHC Movie Nights | _____ |

NEXT S.H.A.R.K.S. MEETING:

10 am, Saturday

April 13, 2023

Aviation Heritage Center Library

S.H.A.R.K.S.

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