# Sharks Tales

The Prez Sez... By Mike Gradinjan

Say Hey, SHARKSters!

Have the last few weeks been a joy, or what?!? I got my concrete poured and the SHARKS have been getting plenty of air and track time. I counted 8 cars parked at the field one day last week. It's been a real treat, but it's over now for the foreseeable future. I'll be draining the water tanks tomorrow so nothing breaks when it goes below freezing.

We've had a great summer, and the inevitable crashes have claimed a few planes. Kerry got his powered glider back, but it was after the corn and plane were both harvested. Ralph got his canopy back when the soybeans started drying out, but his battery is still a no-show. We got hit by lightning this summer, which took out both surge arrestors and 2 GFCI receptacles. Ever wonder what they look like inside after something like that happens? I've got the GFCI's changed, and have all the parts to replace the suppressors. Now I just need to find the time to get-r-done.

Oostburg indoor flying has started. It's on Wednesday nights from 6-9PM, and we're continuing the \$10 fee for flyers, which all goes to the school district. Spectators are always free. Enter through the gym doors towards the north end of the building.

AHC Movie Night is this week, when we'll show <u>The Red Baron</u> at 7PM, Friday, November 11. Indoor flyers and helpers should be there at 6PM. Let Dave Meyer or Graham know if you can lend a hand. Hours count towards your club dues work obligation.



Make sure your AMA or ROAR memberships are up to date so you can complete your <u>2023 SHARKS Membership Application</u>, which is included in this newsletter. Unless you're an opt-out member, remember you needed 15 hrs of club benefiting activities in 2022 to complete your obligation. This includes additional adult members where the first member is an opt-out. Please include \$5/unfulfilled hour with your 2023 application.

Remember that besides your AMA membership, flyers also need an FAA registry number that you can use on all your aircraft and your TRUST certificate.

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 we're the only affiliated club in Wisconsin, but the choice is yours. You'll find links to the <u>AMA & ROAR</u> on our links page <u>http://www.sharksrc.com/related.htm</u>, or just click on the names here. Be sure to include your AMA license or ROAR membership # on our <u>SHARKS application</u>. A SHARKS membership will be required for use of our facilities from now on.

The FAA registration is only \$5 for 3 years, so it's better to do it than have someone stop in and shut you down for being non-compliant. Here's the link to sign up or renew: <u>https://faadronezone.faa.gov</u>



If this is a renewal, there's a Log In link under the link for the Exception for Recreational Flyers, where you'll enter using your login and password from when you first applied for Certification. If this is your first time, click the Register button link for the Exception for Recreational Flyers and follow the instructions. If you try to enter any other way, you'll have a good chance of ending up at the wrong place which could be a scam site.

The TRUST test can be accessed at <a href="https://www.modelaircraft.org/trust">https://www.modelaircraft.org/trust</a>

There's an FAQ located at

https://amablog.modelaircraft.org/amagov/2021/02/24/the-recreational-uas-safetytest-trust-faq/? ga=2.168312552.879088485.1626377374-1632433514.1626377325

Make sure you print out your certificate when you successfully complete the test. It's not saved anywhere, and you'll have to complete the test again to get a new certificate!

Last I heard, the new hobby store in Sheboygan Falls hasn't opened yet. Let me know if it opens and any particulars you can provide.

Our Annual Buy Your Own Christmas lunch is Saturday, December 10 at the Roadside Bar & Grill, N5575 State Road 57, Plymouth. We'll meet in the bar starting at 11, and be seated for lunch at noon. Spouses or Significant Others are welcome. Please RSVP so we can let them know how many to expect. If it gets too big, we might have a limited menu to make it easier on the cook.

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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### 2023 S.H.A.R.K.S. Membership Renewal Notice

The basic dues for membership in the SHARKS for 2023 are \$50 for Regular Membership, \$25 for an Additional Family Membership, and \$5 for Junior Membership (18 and younger) and are due in January 2023. 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
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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 2023	N/A		
-OR- Add \$75.00 for Opt- Out	N/A		
\$5.00/hour of activities not completed in 2022	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.

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:

11 am, Saturday December 10, 2022 Roadside Bar & Grill N5575 State Road 57, Plymouth

S.H.A.R.K.S. 2850 Ashby Court Sheboygan, WI 53081

