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Field location: Flying Pilgrims Trail, Superior Twp., MI 48198
 Indoor mtg: EAA Chapter 113, 8550 Lilley Rd. Canton, MI 48187

May 20th, 2026 Newsletters and meeting minutes.
 Next meeting is scheduled June 17th, 2026 at 7:00PM,
 And will be held at the **Flying Pilgrims Field**. **There will be a swap meet right after the meeting at the field. Bring any planes or stuff that you would like to trade.**

Call to Meeting

President's Report:

We did not see Dale at the meeting on Wednesday, but Jim got an anonymous call from someone at the police station that he would not be coming. They declined to say the reason why! (Just kidding with you Dale, we all know how hard you work for the club!)



Vice-President's Report:

Joe got the meeting started at 7:06. Motion was made to accept the minutes from the last meeting, seconded, and passed. There were 20 members present.

Secretary's Report:

I asked about the flyer holder in the West end shelter, and it seems that there are about 5 or 6 flyers there; plenty enough for anyone who comes along and has questions. Mark says that he printed up some that he will put into the holder when he next gets to the field. The cover picture above on page one is of Jim Gibboney's P-40 Tiger that he build a while back.

I contacted Fox2 local news, Go4It news, and Channel 7 local news and sent them a flyer on our Fall Phase-Out Event, and even asked them if they might want to send a news crew out on that date. No response yet, but maybe they will just show up!!!

Treasurer's Report:

Jim reported that as of this meeting we have 102 members paid up in the club. Two new members who joined us are John Lewinski and Miguel Prieto. Even though this is short of last year, Jim says we have ample funds in our account to take care of the bills for this year. Everything is paid up to date.

Safety Officer's Report:

Jim Gibboney mentioned again that some flyers are still leaving their planes parked on the set-up tables that are inside the shelter. As we have all agreed before, after you set up your plane for the day, you should store it on the grass in front of the shelter. Leaving it on the table just prevents the next guy from having a spot to work on his plane. Table space is limited. Be courteous. Besides, what better place to show off your masterpiece than on the grass in front of where all the flyers are sitting!

Upcoming Events

It is time to mark your calendars for our 4 major summer events.

June 7th, Fun-Fly #1, from 10am to 5pm.

July 12th, Fun-Fly #2, from 10am to 5pm.

August 9th, Fun-Fly #3, from 10am to 5pm.

September 19-20, Fall Phase-Out for Fun Event.

Also, on [Father's Day, Sunday, June 21st, Mettetal Airport](#) will have their annual Father's Day Breakfast. Pancakes, bacon, sausage, toast, coffee, the whole shebang...as well as all the local pilots will have their planes on the site for you and your kids to check out and maybe even sit in! Good family event. And Vince and Mike will be in attendance at a table with some of our planes to drum up interest in those attendees in the hobby of RC planes! You can join them and bring yours too!

June 6th, at Sterling State Park, in Monroe, there will be a float plane event that I have had the pleasure of attending with Carl on the lake there. Great fun! In light of Gary Figi's show and tell presentation today, as you will read below, it would be a great chance for him to practice with other float plane enthusiasts!

Old Business

Jim Lorenz reported to all members that the club sourced the “Got Junk” truck to haul out all the garbage around the storage container. Not only did they get all that junk next to the storage unit, but they also picked up a rotten picnic table, and cleaned up the tires and other stuff that has been dumped on our property on Ridge Road.

Also, what was new business last month became old business this month. After the meeting discussion from Mark Deprest about having flyers available at the shelter to hand out to potential new pilot/flyer/members, Rick went out and obtained a flyer container and mounted it inside the West End Shelter on the bulletin board. I put 4 copies into the flyer, and Mike and Vince will print up more copies when they do so for the flyers that they will present at the Father’s Day Breakfast event at Mettetal Airport.



New Business

Jim Gibboney brought up the concern about our club’s start and stop times for flying. It has been many years that this schedule has been kept with little consideration that it might be long overdue for a tweak. History has it that the reason for our 10AM start times and 8PM end times was a result of the neighborhoods south of Geddes complaining about the noise from the gas engines and jets, and with the help of the local authorities, we arrived at a mutual schedule for our club. That was a long time ago, and the people have changed too I’m guessing. It was discussed and suggested that perhaps we can have a new schedule. Starting one hour earlier and ending one hour later. That would be 9 to 9 all week and 11 to 9 on Sunday. 2 hours of good flying time goes to waste each day in the summer months with our present schedule. Many of the members at this meeting seemed in favor of such a change. We had a quorum, and could have made a motion to do so. It was decided to announce this intention here in the newsletter so more members could think about it, and then it will be brought up at the June meeting at the flying field.

Meeting Adjourned

Just before the Show and Tell, the business portion of the meeting was adjourned at 7:23PM by Joe.

After Show and Tell, members left the EAA Building to close for the day at around 7:40PM and the building was locked up.

Your plane (drone) needs to be registered with FAA. Click here on the [Drone Zone](#) to update or verify your registration. Follow instructions for how to label your plane and how to obtain your FAA registration.

CHECK THIS OUT!

John Doe The Flying Pilgrims RC Club

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Field Safety

starts with all members' vigilance!



Be sure to read your club's rules. They are posted on the west shelter. They are also posted on the website under the Rules and By-Laws tab.

Show and Tell

Gary Figi brought in his newly acquired and assembled (Jim Gibboney reminded him not "built") foamy EFlite Turbo Timber Evolution, a 1.5m top wing plane that also comes with a swappable float kit. The floats have a water rudder on them controlled by a connection to the plane's tail rudder. He purchased it from [Prop Shop Hobbies](#) in Warren. He also filmed a YouTube video of him assembling the plane that will be available soon. It is a bind and fly, so the servos are already installed to the control surfaces. The only issue he had was to reverse the servos on the flaps because they were going the wrong way.



Beyond Our Club Activities



Radio Control Club of Detroit

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BIG BIRD-GIANT SCALE & SWAP

Date: **Sat., July 25th, 2026**
 Times: Pilots' Meeting at 9:45 a.m.
 Flying Starts at 10:00 a.m.
 Location: RCCD Flying Field in Wetzel State Park (see map)
 Format: Giant Scale Fun Fly & SWAP

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AMA Sanction # 20122

Ample parking and bleacher seating.

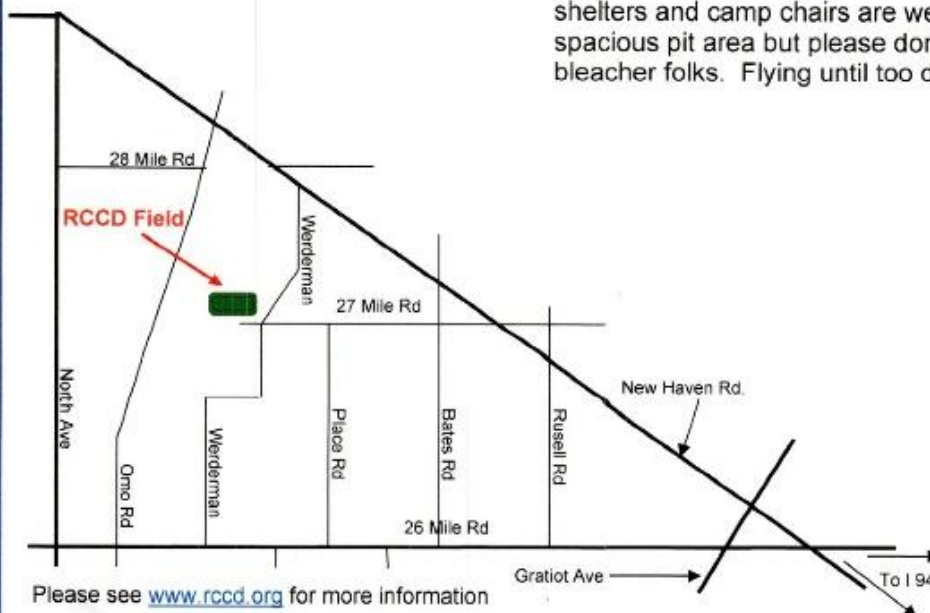
Refreshments available.

Michigan Recreation Pass required for Park access.

Landing/Swap Fee (pilot/swap): \$10



Open to AMA members to fly Large RC Models: ¼ Scale or Bigger, or minimum Wingspan of 80" for Monoplanes & 60" for Biplanes. Pilots must be registered for prizes eligibility. The RCCD flying field is 1200 feet long, 300 feet wide and is beautifully leveled & maintained grass. 110volt power is available. Your pop-up shelters and camp chairs are welcome in the spacious pit area but please don't block the bleacher folks. Flying until too dark.



Please see www.rccd.org for more information