

## February 2006 Edition

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**CLUB MEETING:** February 8, 2006 at 7pm  
at VoTech (across Arapahoe from the power plant)

### FIELD PARKING

There are parking spaces at the field marked and designated as handicap parking. We've been notified that if City Park Rangers see vehicles parked in those stalls without a proper handicap tag displayed they will start issuing violation tickets. **The fine for this type of ticket is \$125.00.** All members need to be aware that, if you park in a handicap stall without a tag and a ranger comes by, it could become *an expensive day of flying*.

### CLUB DVD LIBRARY OPEN

The Club DVD library is open:  
[milehighwings.com/club/dvd.htm](http://milehighwings.com/club/dvd.htm)  
You can request a title via e-mail and pick up the DVD at the club meeting. Don't miss *Tucson Aerobatic Shootout*, the best R/C video of all times!

Please feel free to [e-mail](mailto:boris@milehighwings.com) me your suggestions regarding the new DVDs to add to the library.

*Boris Sergeev, Club Librarian*

### BAS MEETING MINUTES

Boulder VoTech Center  
January 11, 2006

Meeting called to order by President Rich Anderson at 7:05 PM with 15 members present and one guest, Jim Dunwoody.

### Minutes

Motion by Ken Jochim, with a second by Wendell Wickstrom, that the minutes of the December meeting be accepted as they were published in the last newsletter. Motion carried.

### Treasurer's Report

Ken Jochim reported a bank balance of \$7311.29.

### Old Business

Rich Anderson is still working with the city on our new contract. Our current contract will expire on January 30, 2006.

The club is still seeking a new venue for our meeting. A discussion was held about possible sites. Due to an absence of alternative suggestions, it was decided to remain at the current site at through May 2006.

Rudy Furman was introduced and thanked for his help with the club activities, including field maintenance and assistance with float flying. He will be presented with an honorary membership in the club for the coming year.

Thanks to Dean Chandler and Rich Anderson for the repair to our north safety fence. A discussion was held to try a new type of fence that might hold up better to aircraft impacts. Tony Kilwein agreed check on the cost of alternative fencing.



**Rudy Furman and Thomas Rooney installing a new windsock at Chandler Field.**

It was brought to the club's attention that the flying field tends to get messy with the winds blowing debris around. Additionally, stray combat ribbons have become a bit more prevalent in recent months. Please pick up combat ribbons or any other trash you see lying around.

## New Business

On Saturday April 22, starting at 9:00 AM, we will have a field maintenance day. In the event of bad weather, it will be held the following Saturday, April 29.

Dean Chandler will check with the Boulder Reservoir to see if the club can hold a float fly sometime in May. Management of the Boulder Reservoir is undergoing a slight change, so float flying is currently a bit tenuous.

The date was set for our club fun fly this summer. It will be held on Saturday, July 29. Details of the events will be forthcoming.

Glen Miller made a misstep at home and suffered a broken leg. Wendell reported that he was getting around OK despite nurse's orders to stay in bed. Glen, we wish you a speedy recovery.

## Show And Tell

Arnold Peckar displayed a new spectrum radio. This radio operates on the 2.4 Gigahertz band. He explained that it dynamically changes channels, eliminating the need for frequency control. Its safe range is about 1000 ft.

Boris Sergeev displayed the current state of the art in micro servos, including Futaba's newest sub-micro, an inexpensive 8 gram servo from E-Sky, and a digital sub-micro. Costs ranged from \$14 to \$25.



Wendel Wickstrom showed us a new fiberglass fuselage that he constructed for his Cessna floatplane. Looks like it should fly (and float) well.



Tony Kilwein showed us his departure from character and into giant scale ARFs with a 30LB Aeroworks Katana he picked up at a discount. It is powered by a beautiful Desert Aircraft 100cc boxer twin. All reports say that it should fly as good as it looks.

## Adjourn

Motion by Wendell Wickstrom, second by Russ Larson, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rudy Glick

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### From The President

There are many members of our great club that I don't know and haven't had the privilege of meeting. As such I'm sure those same members don't know me either but at our December meeting I had the dubious distinction of being elected the club president. This is not something that I desired or even wanted to do but from the lack of others being able/willing to serve in this capacity I felt strongly enough about this great hobby that we all enjoy to go ahead and accept the challenge just to ensure that we have the option of retaining our club status with AMA, which also translates to retaining the agreement with the City of Boulder to continue to use our flying site.

Without our AMA Charter our club could not exist and that charter is also required to maintain the agreement for use of our flying site. For those that may not be aware the City of Boulder owns the site where we fly and is under the jurisdiction of the Parks and Recreation Department and as a club we work closely with the city to maintain an agreement where we are licensed to use the property.

With the agreement to use the property it is the clubs responsibility for any and all improvements to the flying field including the parking lot, runways, pit/preparation area, shelter, interior fencing, removal of garbage, the chemical toilet and all other improvements or maintenance that may be required. The city does not participate in any of the

improvements or maintenance. All improvements are installed and maintained solely through club dues and volunteer support from the members. Thanks to Mike Farnsworth even the shelter was built and installed by a member of our club.

Without involvement and support from the members we would not be able to maintain the agreement with the city for use of the field and we could lose flying privileges at this great site. As we go into this new year I would encourage and hope that all the members of our club would in some small way be involved in not only maintaining our flying site but also be an active participant in the club to make it an exciting experience for all by sharing and helping those that enjoy this wonderful hobby. Part of this is to encourage and help those that are new to the hobby, ensure that we keep the area clean and free of debris including picking up all of the parts of a crashed plane, retrieving streamers from combat flying and any picking up other trash that we see lying around and participating in the scheduled maintenance days which are done about twice a year.

I know there are many that come and fly at our site that are not members of our club. This is fine and they are welcome to join us in our flying activities as long as they are members of AMA. However as club members I feel that each of us has the responsibility to reach out to encourage and invite those that are not members to join the club. Even the minimum participation of joining and supporting the club with their membership dues is greatly needed. The day will come when the runway will need to be repaved (along with the currently needed repair to the taxi strips) and that cost will have to be born totally by the members of the club.

Some feel that if the club has a budget balance of \$5000.00 or more it is quite sufficient and wonder why we feel the need for more. The reality is that with the expense of renting a site for our monthly meetings, preparing and mailing monthly newsletters, paying for the cleaning of the toilet, maintenance on the fencing, spraying and mowing the weeds and grass, keeping a supply of windsocks, painting and re-roofing the shelter when needed, keeping the parking lot level and graveled and providing other necessary maintenance items costs more than one would anticipate. Then there is the need to set aside a sufficient reserve for the time that the runway will need to be repaved. Paving was done a few years ago and at that time the cost was close to \$20,000. Five to ten years down the road that cost will be significantly greater and the club really needs to be gathering and setting aside the necessary funds to handle major projects as they come along.

If we could encourage all those that fly at the field to join and support the club through their dues and volunteer help, our club will be able to continue to remain in a position of renewing our agreement with the city and have a great flying site for many years to come. As such I'm asking each member to step forward in helping make our club even greater than it currently is. I am grateful for the opportunity to be part of the Boulder Aeromodeling Society and the

privilege to fly at such a great field and I hope that all of you are as well. When I'm at the field and haven't met you please come over and introduce yourself. I look forward to making many new and wonderful friends this coming year.

Rich Anderson  
BAS Club President

### **Flying Area Concerns**

Matt Claussen from the Boulder Parks has informed us that we have been improperly using the area to the north of the pits and west of the main runway for launching gliders. This area is a sensitive spot in our agreement with the city and our image with Boulder Parks. I will attempt to give greater clarification of the designated flying areas and rules therein in the next newsletter, but for now, it would be best to avoid walking in the northwest corner of the field unless absolutely necessary.

## Club Dues are DUE!

If you haven't paid your club dues already, note that they are due as of January 1<sup>st</sup>. Please remit your dues payment along with this sheet (or equivalent information) **and a copy of your current AMA card** to our treasurer, either at the club meeting (Jan 11<sup>th</sup>) or by mail to:

Ken Jochim  
3865 Norwood Court  
Boulder, CO 80304

Make checks payable to "Boulder Aeromodeling Society" or "BAS".

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**BAS Membership Renewal Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ AMA Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Frequencies Used: \_\_\_\_\_  
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The dues for this year have been raised from last year as follows:

- Regular Membership with e-mail delivery of the newsletter — \$45.00 per year
- Regular Members with postal delivery of the printed newsletter — \$50.00 (to cover newsletter mailing cost)
- Regular Family Membership — \$55.00
- Junior Membership (for those under 19)— \$15.00

*All Regular Memberships require, for the first year only, an additional \$30.00 field upkeep cost. [This fee is paid when one joins the club or when one renews the membership after not being a member for a year or more.]*

## FLYING FIELD HOURS

9:00am to dusk on weekdays  
10:00am to dusk on weekends

### CLASSIFIEDS

#### AIRPLANE KITS WANTED

Looking for airplane kits, new or old, that will never get a chance to be built, or are no longer needed. Please contact Wan Suwito at (720) 212-8464, or email me at [suwitow@yahoo.com](mailto:suwitow@yahoo.com)

*Ken Jochim* submitted the following ad:

**FOR SALE:** USB Interface Cable for **Futaba**, **Hitec**, or **Tower Hobbies** Transmitters  
(more info at [milehighwings.com/usb\\_cables.htm](http://milehighwings.com/usb_cables.htm))

Also includes a CD with FMS & PRE-flight simulator software

My son won this item at the raffle this summer, but we don't own any Futaba gear. (I have the JR version and it works great!)

**\$20.00**

[*Editor's note: MileHighWings.com sells it for \$40 + tax*]

### INSTRUCTORS LISTING

Call if you need help getting started:

Tony Kilwein	303-438-8500	Futaba
Wendell Wickstrom	303-494-9324	Airtronics
Ken Jochim	303-444-3206	JR
James Mack	303-819-6669	Futaba

### THE YELLOW PAGES

A listing of area merchants, whose products are of interest to R/C enthusiasts; provided as a service to our members. Some will give you a discount with your current club card.

**Mile Sky Hobbies** (formerly known as **HSJM Ltd. Hobbies**),  
1300 W Midway, Broomfield (303-439-2640), Steve Clark

**Action Hobbies**, 1477 Carr, Lakewood, (303-233-6275),  
Glen A. Magree

**Hobby Town**, 800 South Hover Rd. Longmont, (303-774-1557)

**Mile High Wings** [store@milehighwings.com](mailto:store@milehighwings.com)  
Your source of R/C Simulator interfaces and all-composite ARFs: [www.milehighwings.com](http://www.milehighwings.com)

**Don's Hobbies**, 815 10th Street, Greeley (970-353-3115)  
Tony Farro

**Things with Wings**, 6268 W. 10th #2 Greeley (970-352-1067) Jim Richardson

**Hobby Town**, 6815 W. 88th Ave., Westminster, (303-431-0482), James Miley

**Hobby Giant**, 5545-A, Olde Wadsworth, Arvada, 303-940-9238, Larry Cencich.

**Heliport Hobbies**, 1400 W. 70th Street, Denver 303-430-8828, also Magnum Fuels