

HORSE FEATHERS

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March Minutes

Ralpho called the meeting to order at 6:31P.M.

Dave read the last meeting minutes.
Approved as read.

Rodney was not present for the treasurer's report,.

Old business

Spring Races

Fourth Annual BFM Bump & Run Dates are set for June 6, 7, & 8th. Registration dead line is May 27th.

Questions contact:

Ed Alves at 406-861-6661, e-mail

edalves68@aol.com or

Earl Seaholm at 406-325-1170

See the poster under Upcoming Events.

Billings Flying Mustangs Annual Fly-In

Dates set for June 20, 21 & 22.

Questions contact Carl Thuesen at 406-652-6160.

See poster under Upcoming Events

New business

Swap meet Banner is now made.

Billings Flying Mustangs Web Site:

Ralpho has now purchased the new Web Site.

The web site will be developed by Branden and Lee.

Heliproz is requesting the use of the BFM. flying field for a fun fly.(Helicopters only) This is Under review and development.

Scott suggested the club meeting to be held at Tiny's until weather changes. Members Agreed .

Up Date, .The BFM Annual Fly-in was a subject talked about again in length. This time it was on food service at the event and is still under review

George talked about T-shirts and caps for the event. He is requesting your ideas on colors and a logo on these items.

No committee reports.

Dick made a motion for adjournment.
Steve seconded. Motion passed

Meeting length 35 minutes.

Members in attendance 12.

Please sign in to the meetings. I will have a sign in sheet posted. Thank You.

The Presidents Corner

Next month's meeting place is going to be held at Tiny's at the corner of N 24th and 4 Ave.

Ralpho

Next Meeting

**At Tiny's
Corner of N. 24th and 4 Ave.
Tuesday May 6, 2014**

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**At
Time 6:30 P.M.**

Upcoming events For BFM

BFM Float Fly Scheduled Saturday, May 10

We have received our permit from the City of Laurel that grants us exclusive access to “South Pond” and the Lion’s Park for the day on Saturday May 10. Please enter this day on your calendar and plan to come out and support this new BFM endeavor whether you currently own a float plane/flying boat or not.

We held the first such event early last October, and though it was chillier and windier than we’d have preferred that didn’t stop about a dozen flyers from taking to the water and, thus, to the air.

We have the park and pond reserved for our exclusive use from 8am to 6pm that day so there will be LOTS of opportunity to fly even for out-of-town visitors. The pond is plenty large even for fairly large aircraft. For these events where the pond and park are reserved we can accommodate glow/gas powered as well as electric powered planes.

Current (2014) AMA membership is required, you will need to have your card in-hand to register and fly this day. The Lion’s Park has a large shelter with a few tables and room to set up additional tables and chairs. Price to participate will be \$15 which will include lunch and soft drinks. This price will allow us to recover the cost

of purchasing the two required permits and the specified site coverage insurance from the AMA for the event. Of course any money beyond costs will be turned over to BFM. Lunch only will be available for \$5 for non-flyers.

If you don’t already have a float-equipped plane it’s not too late!! There is an inexpensive and fairly easy-to-install float set that is made for the E-Flite Apprentice (and is 100% reversible to go back to land use), a float set is available for the Multiplex Fun Cub (admit it...maybe THIS is finally an excuse to get that Fun Cub you’ve always wanted) and a float set is available for the new E-Flite Carbon cub. The Fly Zone DeHavilland Beaver comes with floats and, like the Apprentice, is completely reversible for land or sea use. For strictly marine use the Fly Zone Tidewater is hard to beat...the easiest ARF I’ve ever assembled and a great flyer. There isn’t an excuse not to have a plane ready to participate!

Finding Lion’s Park and the pond is as easy as falling off a log. The site is immediately across I-90 from the Laurel refinery. From the I-90 west-bound main Laurel exit proceed straight ahead through the intersection down the residential street (mind the speed limit and stop signs!!) and the street will “T” at the pond...it’s that easy! From eastbound I-90 or the highway in from Red Lodge take the first left once you have passed under the freeway.

Any questions please contact Scott Smith at 406-672-1551

We hope to see you there!

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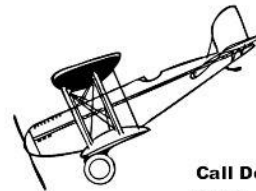


Billings Flying Mustangs

SWAP MEET

MAY 24, 2014

Buy sell or trade & Fly



For info:
Call Don 406-861-3719
Steve 406-876-1942

Set-up 8am Open 9am

AT Billings Flying Mustangs field

8223 Grand Avenue

BILLINGS MT

Billings Flying Mustangs Annual Fly-in

June 20, 21, 22
8:00AM until Done

Pilots Drawing
Lots of Prizes

RV Parking
Concessions
Play Ground
Bathrooms



Open to the public
More Information Shortly



The annual Fly in Dates will be June 20, 21, 22 - which is the traditional weekend.

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2014 Jim Steertz Memorial Fly-In

hosted by the Billings Flying Mustangs

Open to the public
All ages and flying abilities welcome.....

- June 20 – 22 at Chamberlain Field, 8223 Grand Ave., Billings, MT 59106
- Landing fee \$15 per pilot includes:
 - event T-shirt
 - pilots drawing entry
- pot-luck dinner Friday, banquet Saturday, food and beverages available on site all weekend
- Dry camping and vault toilets on field

Come join the FUN!

AMA section #54727 - AMA membership required in fly
for more information call Carl 605-794-7944

Upcoming Events For AMA Clubs In Montana and Wyoming

April 5th Wy. Sagebrush Hoppers Banquet and Swap meet (Park County Fairgrounds)

June 21st Gillette Sagehoppers Heli fly Go East on Boxelder Rd. (South side of Complex) ½ mi. past fox Park Ave.

July 5th & 6th
Privateers, Invitational

July 11th 12th & 13th
Riverton * Wyoming Modelers Park Association,
Just North of WalMart on Highway 26.

September 5th, 6th & 7th * Sheridan, Flying Cowboys RC Club
Bear River Modelers of Evanston

To all the Billings Flying Mustang members.

The Don Herington Shelter Walls

I will trim out the windows and the door.
The rest is up to the club members.
This means Mud, taping, sanding, priming and painting.

Dave

Events in the Past

Spring Race



Fourth Annual BFM Bump & Run

What

- Three Classes of racing, 426, 424 and EF1.
- 426 class will be held only if there are a minimum of six or more registered 426 entries.
- Races will be alternated.
- All races will be flown according to AMA/NMPRA rules.
- Current AMA membership required.
- Regional Rules Exceptions: NMPRA EF1 - 3.00 LBS.
- Planes allowed along with alternative designs in addition to NMPRA approved list.
- AMA 424 – Older airframes with alternative engines allowed. (ie. Stock 8011 K&B 40)
- [Race points will not count towards the event awards for pilots using Regional Rules Exceptions.]
- Exception to race awards AMA 426 rules with allowance for Nelson SS Quickee 40 engines with inner pipe removed. [Mufflers not provided.]
- 8 rounds planned.
- Pre registration required!

Where

- Chamberlain Field, BFM Club
8223 Grand Ave., Billings, MT

When

- June 6th thru June 8th.
- June 6th will be an exclusive, approved practice day.
- Practice follow proper safety during practice.
- Practice starts at 9:00am.
- Race will be a single event held on June 7th and 8th.
- Pilots Meeting at 8:00am.
- Please arrive early to complete any needed paperwork.

Entry

- \$35.00 per class
- (\$10.00 for participation in third class)
- Registration deadline & cut-off is May 27th.
- Please register by phone or e-mail.

Awards for 1st through 3rd place and Fast Time in all classes.

- Lunch and drinks provided free for race pilots and race help each contest day.
- Guest lunches will be \$5.00.

For questions and to pre-register, contact:
Ed Alves at 406-861-6661 or edalves68@aol.com.
Earl Seaholm at 406-325-1170.

Races will be scheduled for June 6, 7, 8. The classes will be E F-1, 424 and 426. Ed will get the dates to be published in AMA's Model Aviation.

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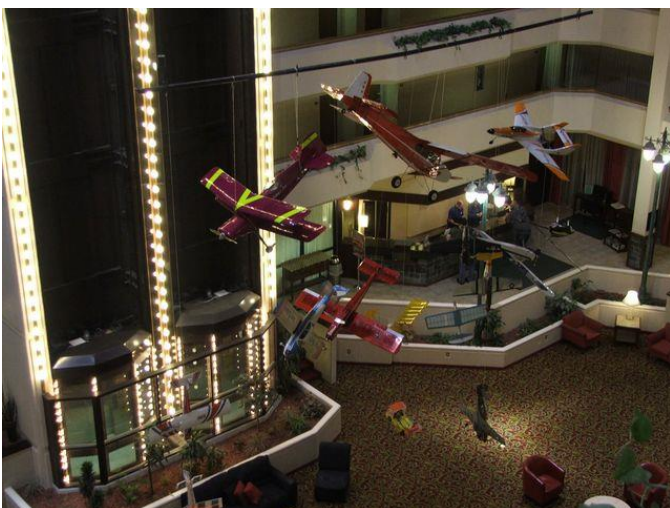
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Thank you Ralpho for the pictures and all the folks who participated to make this event work out so well.

I was at this event and it was a lot of fun..

Need some help here filling in this space.



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