

# *Wing Tips*

**Laurel Highlands Model Airplane Club**

**AMA #557**

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***Regular Meeting September 10th at 7:30 PM St Paul's  
Breakfast 8:30 AM, September 8<sup>th</sup> Denny's Rt 30 East  
Breakfast 8:30 AM September 21st EatnPark Rt 30***

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## **Prez Says**

**GREETINGS:** Hope all is well with you and that you are enjoying this nice hot weather. If you compare this weather to last February, which do you prefer?

I cannot begin to thank you enough for your participation and for those of you who took charge of all the events which we held during the month of August. Reports on the events will be given at the September 10 meeting.

The August picnic was a huge success with great weather, a full flight line and many of you attending. The food prepared by Chef Steve Mickel was delicious and plentiful. Thanks also to his dear wife for all her help. The fun fly was exactly what it was meant to be, "fun". Thanks to Chuck Zera for organizing this event.

We will have a full report on the August 14 and 15 Arnold Palmer Airport Open House. We will have full billing at next year's event.

As we approach the fall, it is time for you to think about running for an office and giving a little bit of your time and most of all your talent. This is a nice opportunity to experience the operations of the club. Please give this some consideration!

We have two more scheduled events, the Flea Market and the Awards Banquet. The Flea Market date has been changed to Sunday, October 24. Details of this change will be given at the meeting! The Awards Banquet will take place on Saturday, November 13, 2010 at Hoss's in South Greensburg. Details to follow!

Hope to see many of you at the meeting on September 10 at 7:30 at St. Paul's.  
Rene

## Minutes of the Meeting of August 13, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Jim Pennington with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were 39 members and 2 guests present. The minutes of the July meeting were approved as published in the August newsletter. Seven new members were voted into the club: (1) Duane Miller, of Greensburg, (2) Clifford J. Bateson, of Greensburg, (3) David F. Oswald, of Scottdale, (4) Adam M. Oswald of Scottdale, (5) Mike Courtney, and son, Tyler, of Greensburg, (6) Gregg Whitfield of Monroeville, and (7) George Patrick of Latrobe. Secretary Don Accorsi called everyone's attention to the new voice recorder to facilitate his writing of the meeting minutes. He thanked everyone for voting to purchase it, and Jeff Hails for procuring it. He also circulated a flier for the Centaur Club Wings & Ribs Warbird Fun Fly, August 28<sup>th</sup>, in Lisbon, OH. The Treasurer's report was approved, as given by Mike Bossick. Vice President Jim Pennington announced the raffle prize: a Hangar 9 Twist 40 ARF. Newsletter Editor Jeff Hails reported that four e-mail newsletters bounced back as undeliverable. He plans to contact them and correct whatever the problems are. As Field Control/Safety Officer, he reported that the field is in good shape and there are currently no problems. Webmaster Doug Hagy reported that the website is up to date and running well. He said that he also received a request that, in addition to the "For Sale" section of the website, a "Want to Buy" section also be added. Motion was carried to comply with the request.

### Old Business:

**(a) Arnold Palmer Airport Open House:** Saturday & Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>. Vice President Pennington passed out hand-outs and encouraged the members to come and bring a plane if possible. Our static display area will be at the front of Taxiway A.

**(b) Club Hats:** There are only two hats left of the last dozen purchased. The consensus of opinion seemed to be that we should purchase at least a couple of dozen and perhaps take advantage of any price break.

**(c) LHMACH Open House:** Planned for Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup> or Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>. An organizational meeting is planned for Tuesday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM, at the field. (**Secretary's Note:** This meeting and the event have since been cancelled.)

**(d) Flea Market:** Ron Polcha to take reservations; send check (made out to LHMACH) to Don Accorsi. John Hathaway to design the flyer. (**Secretary's Note:** The date has been changed to Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. Model Aviation will change it in the next issue.)

**(e) Recording Device:** Vice President Pennington thanked Jeff Hails for his work in procuring the digital voice recorder to aid the secretary in writing the meeting minutes. (The secretary adds his thanks as well.)

### New Business:

**(a) August Picnic:** Sunday, August 29<sup>th</sup>. Chairmen: Steve Mickel – food; Chuck Zera – fun fly. A motion was carried to advance Steve an extra \$50 for food. Brian Moore volunteered to furnish the grill. Food will be ready to eat at 1:00 PM.

**(b) Snyder Cup Trials:** Rescheduled for Sunday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>, immediately following the Scale Contest. Also scheduled for August 22<sup>nd</sup> are the Pylon Races.

**(c) Endurance Contest Results:** Greg Lazarchik repeated the results which he had already reported by e-mail. Participants in order of finish were: Dick Patrick (4 min. 14.9 seconds) \$60 first prize; Tony Kistner (1 min. 2.9 seconds) \$40 second prize; Bob Haden (0 min. 38.2 seconds) \$25 third prize; Ron

Gade (0 min. 26.7 sec.) \$5 fourth prize; Brian Moore (0 min. 5 sec.) \$5 fifth prize. In addition to the cash prize each participant was awarded a AMA pilots patch. There were 5 participants and 12 observers.

**(d) Field Safety:** Mark Yothers reported that July had been a rare month, in that there had not been any significant safety violations or issues to discuss.

**(e) Keystone Joint Picnic:** Sunday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, at Keystone Clippers Field.

**(f) Next Meeting:** Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 PM, at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church.

**Show & Tell:**

Bob Bushmire showed his G-Force all composite delta wing racer. It is powered by a Nelson .40 racing engine. It generates 3 HP at 24K rpm, and replaced the original Super Tigre engine. It has a bladder tank, heavy duty push rods, and the hinges are molded into place. It weighs 3¾ lbs.

Doug Hagy showed his very light electric Cessna L-19 Bird Dog, designed by Dewey Mattenkowski. It is made of polystyrene foam with a plastic skin and wood supports.

Rob Whalen showed some examples of airplane parts and novelty items, made of various materials, which he cut out with his new laser cutter, all very neat and precise. He will cut items as a service for a fee.

**Raffle:**

The Hangar 9 Twist 40 ARF was won by Jim Craig.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 PM, after which an auction of John Decker's airplanes and accessories was conducted by Bob Bushmire.

Respectfully submitted,

***Don Accorsi***

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