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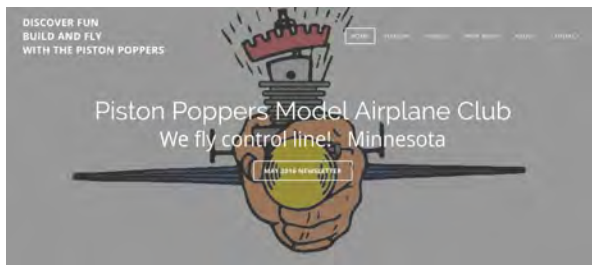
Any articles for the newsletter are greatly appreciated and will be published as soon as possible.

January 2020

Hi All,

The March Building Session will be moved to Saturday March, 28th.

Old Business: Building sessions; The dates are Saturday January 4th, Sunday February 2nd, Saturday March 21st, and Sunday April 26th. Times are about 9:30-10:00 until 2 or 3pm.



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FLYING DAYS

“HAPPY NEW YEAR”

Hard to believe that another year has gone by. We had some new fliers this year along with some much improved fliers. Another good accomplishment for our club was working to improve our flying site at the airport, thanks to all who worked on this project.

As for the Frozen Fun Fly after twenty five + years being one of a few to help put this event on it was time for a change, to step back and let someone else have the glory. I will still participate when the temps are on the plus side of 20 degrees or above.

This year Tom picked up the torch and did a wonderful job. Though the turnout was light there was some flying was done. Tom's wife Cindy prepared some great tasting brats nestled in

sauerkraut. Along with some hot cider to take away the chill. **Thank you Cindy.**



Lift-off Jim Perry and his Shoestring



Doctor Dave flying the P-40 looking snug as a bug with the winter clothes



Jaydon was next



And off he goes



Jaydon is a flier who is having fun



Tom you're so serious this is fun smile



Tom on his way with a Jeff Lange creation



Like I said not a great crowd but fun never the less

1/5/2020

The first building session got off to a great start with Jim Perry and his

Banshee. With Jim getting a little advice on getting pushrods set up correctly. With this advice Jim decided it would be best to effect these changes at home with the proper tools. Jim also brought out some goodies to share. Thanks Jim.

Ivars was working on his new Trophy Trainer, preparing for and placing the wing and stab fillets. We all could use a little of his help in learning the power of patience and sandpaper.

Jeff and I learned some of Tom's tricks in the covering department. Again, the process of taking your time and having a little patience.

As promised Tony brought in the pot of homemade Chili from the great kitchen of Karen. Once again it was the item that really hit the spot. Plus we didn't have to stand around the fire in parkas to enjoy it and boy did we enjoy it. **Thank you Karen for doing this for a bunch of very hungry grateful boys.**

Jim Gevay. Dave and Jaydon and son were there to see the progress, ask questions, offer help or advice and learn.

Though we would like to see a better turn-out this was still a good get

together for the club come join us next month for round 2 on 2/2/2020.

Bob Cheney



Jim and the Banshee



Ivars with the Trophy Trainer



Hey Tom, just want to thank you for covering my wings. It pays to learn new methods from different people. These building sessions are a great way to share and receive new knowledge. Hope more will join us and share their skills.

Jeff Lange

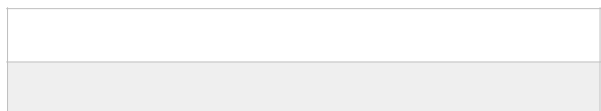
All taped and ready for the fillet material



Tom and Jeff covering the Fury



The covering job finished with the whole team



Message from the President on FAA Ruling

From Dave Tribble, PAMPA President

Greetings to all. I hope you had a great Thanksgiving.

Today (December 5th 2019) I participated in a webinar put on by the AMA concerning the latest about the new FAA 'drone' rules. This was planned to include the heads of all the SIGs (special interest groups) for now and will be distributed more widely a little later. I just wanted to give my overview.

Firstly it appears that control line and likely free flight are mostly off the hook for now. I got a direct email from the UAS office of the FAA about a week ago that told me since I fly control line I need not register my flying field as an approved flying site and the inference being they didn't consider a CL model as a UAS. Having said that I still think a good idea to anti-up the \$5 and get registered. At least you can show legitimacy should a local law enforcement officer ask. For RECREATIONAL flyers one registration is good for ALL your planes. If you are classed as a Part 107 drone flyer then EACH 'drone' would require separate registration.

All EAA Chapter 237 Building Tenants

Due to increased airport security measures, be advised that access to the Anoka County Airport will now be limited at night during the hours of 6:00 PM and 5:00 AM. For those of you who have your meetings at our chapter building in the evenings, this means you will now need to enter an access code on the box outside of the South airport gate in order to enter. You will find the details - including the gate access codes in the following MAC document.

[MAC Airport Access Document](#)

Obviously, you will need to share the gate codes with your members so that they can attend your meetings, but we are being asked to not make this information available to the general public. That is why we are sending this information to members and groups on our email list but have not posted this on our EAA Chapter 237 website.

Thanks for your cooperation and understanding.

Kirk Fjetland
EAA Chapter 237 President

Photos from Jim Perry





Here's a few photos from the first building session on Jan 5th. You can use all of some if they're not duplicated by Bob's photos that he'll probably send to you.

Photo 1, Ivars working on fillets
Photo 2, Tom Sontag and Jim Perry discussing Jim's Banshee.
Photo 3, and 4, Tom and Bob working on covering Jeff Lange's plane.

Jim Gevay



Score in Repair Line-Up

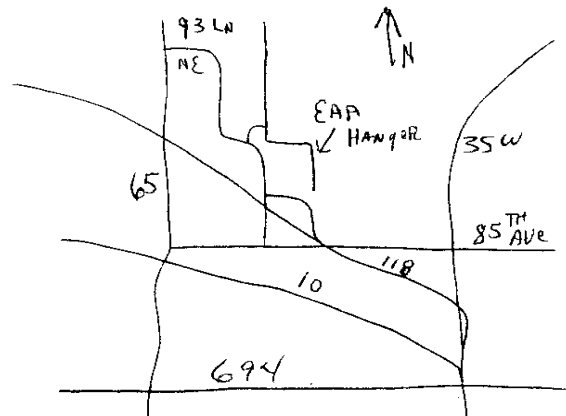
Time to repair my broken Score from a wee bump on the ground inverted this past Summer.

Sean





The Piston Poppers Club meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month at the Anoka Co. Airport in Blaine, MN. Enter the airport road from the automatic gates on the West side, turn right and go south past the airport beacon to the 2



MEETING NOTICE: Not Sure..have not heard 2020– Anoka County Airport at 7:30 PM

