

# Blue & Gray

## Miniature Aircraft Squadron

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### A Message from the President

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday. Flying season is nearing and I hope the weather is a lot better this year. I hope to see a lot of our club members enjoying the flying field and enjoying this great hobby. We all must remember to follow the club and AMA rules.

Club events: The club events for 2019 are listed on the AMA calendar and on our face book page and website. On April 27 club mall show, June 8, 9 Warbirds over Gettysburg, August 10, 11 electric fly-in and October 12, 13 Chili fly-in. The club picnic will be September 8. Check the club web site and face book for any additional information.

Safety:

I just want to remind everyone about a couple of things to do before going to the field.

1. Check all batteries for working condition in plane and transmitter.
2. Make sure you do a thorough inspection of the aircraft for any loose parts
3. Make sure your plane is identified with contact information and FAA reg. number.
4. Make sure that all equipment is in working order and your first trip to the field will be successful.

The indoor flying:

We will be looking at other locations to hold the indoor flying. If anyone knows of a place that would be willing to let us fly indoors please give me a call and we can check it out. Jeff Black (717-965-5634)

FAA update:

The new ruling that was passed by the FAA about displaying you FAA registration number on the outside of your plane has gone into effect on February 25, 2019. We as a club are taking the AMA's stance that we will not be policing this policy. It is required by the FAA and it will be your responsibility to comply. The club's requirement to fly at the club field is that you must be a current AMA member in good standing. Please keep updated with what is going with the FAA regulations by checking the AMA website and reading the letters in the magazine. Make sure when you see an AMA officer to thank them for all the work they do and continue to do to keep us flying.

Hope to see everyone at the clubs events this year. Thank you for your support as member of the Blue & Gray Miniature Aircraft Squadron.

Safe Flying, Pres. Jeff





## Executive Meeting 2/18/19

The Blue Gray Executive membership meeting was held at Ray Black's home , February 18, 2019. Members present: Jeff Black, Ray Black, Mike Brouse, Tim Toot, Tom Krichten, Mike Brown.



**President's Report**- All of this years sanctions have been submitted and approved. The Mall show tentative date is April, 27<sup>th</sup>. Jeff is working on the insurance for the event. The field is in good condition but is soft.

**Treasurer's Report** - Motion to approve, Mike Brouse, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tom K. Motion passed.

**Safety's Officer's Report**- fire extinguishers will be placed out on the flight line during sanctioned events and will be more accessible during the season.

**Webmaster's Report**- our upcoming events have been updated on blue and gray's webpage. If you would like to receive the newsletter via e-mail, there is a signup under the membership information tab on the website.

Tim places events on Blue and Gray's Facebook page that other area clubs are conducting. This helps out our fellow clubs with advertising their events.

## OLD BUSINESS

.Mall show tentative date is April, 13<sup>th</sup>. The club picnic is September 8<sup>th</sup>. The committee discussed moving the canopy down between the snack shed and mower shed and placing the picnic tables under it. This would open up the pit area as it gets full during our sanctioned events. We would then separate the pilot boxes and place 6 individual pilot boxes evenly spaced the whole length of the pit area. Also we could create a battery charging station that would be powered by the generator and wouldn't have far to run cable.

## NEW BUSINESS

**Event dates for 2019 are:**

**Mall Show** - tentative date April 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Warbirds over Gettysburg** - June 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>

**Electric Fly** - August 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Club Picnic** - September 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Chili Fly October** - 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>.



Mike Brouse will let the officers know when he intends on rolling the field. A ruling was made by the FAA that requires a modelers FAA registration number be placed on the exterior of the aircraft. Does not state how big or exactly where it is to be located. However, the club will not be policing this ruling. It will be up to the individual modeler on how he or she will comply with this ruling. This is also the position the AMA is taking on the issue.

Every year during our sanctioned events we have individuals taking their time to help us out in the snack shack. This benefits us greatly as this helps us maintain the field that we enjoy every year. Please make sure you take the time and show your appreciation and thank those who are volunteering their time to benefit our club.