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December 2025 News



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Next Monthly Meeting
Saturday, January 3 , 12 noon
St Paul Lutheran Church
108 Dutch Hill Rd, Latrobe, PA 15650



Message from Treasurer Rene Marquis



LHMAL MEMBERS. *It's time* to renew your LHMAL 2026 dues.

Applications can be found in the **link below**, on our website, at the field information center, or at our meeting.

Please fill in the application completely, correctly, and return them to me by mail or in person. Applications not filled in completely will be returned to you.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me by phone, email, or cell phone, my cell phone # is 724-216-8327.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

Rene, LHMAL Membership/Treasurer

*Please circle here
If you are renewing
Thank You!*

Click here for a link to LHMAL membership Renewal form

Fill it out

Print it out

Make the check payable to LHMAL
Mail it to Treasurer Rene Marquis

Laurel Highlands Model Airplane Club	
AMA Charter #557	Mt. Pleasant, PA
Membership Application	
(Please circle one) →	NEW or RENEWAL
Name	AMA# (Mandatory)
Address	FAA/UAS# (Optional)
City	State Zip
Home Phone	Mobile phone
Email	Date of birth
Other Family Members:	
Name	DOB AMA# Email
Name	DOB AMA# Email
Name	DOB AMA# Email
In case of emergency (Name & Relationship) Phone	
Annual Membership Types and Dues:	
Regular - Age 19 to 64	\$40 \$
Youth (Jr.) - Under age 19	\$20 \$
Senior/Retiree - Age 65 or any pension	\$30 \$
Family- Includes spouse & children under 19	Add \$5 \$
Renewal/ LATE FEE (After December 31st)	\$10 \$
TOTAL	\$
If joining after August 1 st , membership is valid through the next calendar year!	
Acceptance Statement	
<small>If accepted into Laurel Highlands Model Airplane Club (LHMAL), I agree to serve as an officer if nominated, participate in club field maintenance, and comply with all county, LHMAL & Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) rules and safety regulations. I am aware that membership may involve hazards and I accept and release the Laurel Highlands Model Airplane Club, Inc., its officers, and members from all liability for personal injury, property damage, or wrongful death caused by negligence.</small>	
Signature	Date
Signature (if parent or guardian if under 19 yrs of age)	Date
Please mail this completed form with payment to LHMAL treasurer:	
Rene Marquis	
158 Frothingham Ave	
Jeannette, PA 15644-1868	
Questions? Call 724-216-8327	Please make checks payable to LHMAL

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December 6, 2025

Monthly Club Meeting @ Mammoth Field

Secretary Jim Zangerski



Minutes for December 6, at St Paul Lutheran Church

Most improved pilot and Member of the year ballots were handed out and then collected. Result will be announced at January meeting.

The meeting's raffle will be a 50/50 with proceeds going to operation Santa Claus. President Jim called for a motion to raise donation to \$100 if it falls below \$100. Bob motion to approve, second by Zach, motion carried.

Officers Report

Secretary, Jim Z called for motion to approve minutes from last months meeting as posted in the last newsletter,.Bill K motion to approve, second by Bob S, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report. Expenses, Pleasant Unity Pizza, secretary's expenses, presidents expenses for gift card purchased that went to John Toomey for working the rescue boat for our float flies, Shriners Hospital. Income: MARCS auction sale, Raffle proceeds, Dues
Bill K motion to approve, second by Gary motion carried.

Newsletter Stuff is selling in the newsletter. Take a picture, give details, and a price of wht you have for sale and it will be posted in the next newsletter.

Vice President Raffle 50/50. Please turn in trophies

Field control Not much going on.

Presidents report

2026 Membership renewal due. Anyone who joined the last few months are good through 2026. Please keep your AMA membership current as it is required by the park (for insurance purposes).

First in the Air is January 1st at 10am.

Next meeting will be at St. Paul Church, 108 Dutch Hill Road, on Saturday January 3, 12 noon weather permitting.

2026 Event schedule is starting. Please let Jim A know of any events outside of our club.

Dome Fly's at Neville Island Dec 13 & Dec 27 see poster for times and cost.

Old Business none **New Business** None

Fuel Sales fuel is available. \$25 per gallon. Contact Bill @ 724-493-5105 to purchase

Jim Z passed on the Lewis Service award that we received from the county to Jeremiah for all of his hard work with our picnics and the raffles. Thank you Jeremiah!

Meeting Adjourned

Message from President Jim Andrews



Looking back on this past year brings to mind some great flights and some great planes. But I also remember conversations with Club members and visitors to our field. I also remember how we came together to retrieve a downed plane or to solve a set up problem. So, thank you to our Club members for making 2025 memorable.

We always start off the new year by meeting at the field on January 1st and having a flight at 10am for our First in the Air get together. Bring some cookies to share. Don't worry if you don't have a plane ready to go, we always bring a Club trainer or two to get you in the air. Snow on the field is not a problem!

Winter is the traditional build season, if you have a new plane build or repair you have been putting off your time has arrived. Bring your projects to the monthly meetings to show progress or to ask for advice.

Hope to see you at the field on Jan. 1st or the meeting on Jan. 3rd 2026!

Jim Andrews

Information Page Links

(Click on title to go directly to the link/page)

[LHMAC Club Membership Application](#)

[Map to St Paul Lutheran Church \(Nov.- April meetings\)](#)

[Map to LHMAC Mammoth Park Airfield](#)

[Map to Acme Dam at Chestnut Ridge Park \(Float Fly!\)](#)

[LHMAC Facebook Page](#)

[LHMAC Online Calendar or events \(updated frequently\)](#)

[LHMAC Website](#)

[LHMAC Field rules and regulations](#)

[LHMAC Boundry map](#)

[LHMAC Pilot qualification test for glow and electric plane](#)

[AMA Enrollment](#)

[sUAS Enrollment](#)

[Recreational UAS Safety Test \(TRUST\)](#)

[KLBE Museum Webpage](#)

List of Events

Laurel Highlands Model Airplane Club
(off of Klaka Road, Mt Pleasant)



Check our **LIVE CALENDAR OF EVENTS** for updates
and Details

2025

EVENT

LOCATION

December 2025

Sat 6	LHMAC Monthly Meeting 12:00 noon	St Paul Church
Sat 13	Robert Morris University Dome Fly	Neville Island, Pgh
Sat 27	Robert Morris University Dome Fly	Neville Island, Pgh

January 2026

Thurs 1	First in the Air 2025	LHMAC Field
Sat 3	LHMAC Monthly Meeting 12:00 noon	St Paul Church

February 2026

Sat 7	LHMAC Monthly Meeting 12:00 noon	St Paul Church
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March 2026

Sat 7	LHMAC Monthly Meeting 12:00 noon	St Paul Church
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April 2026

Sat 4	LHMAC Monthly Meeting 12:00 noon	St Paul Church
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Dome Fly's 2025

When- 6:45 to 9:45 pm
Where- Robert Morris University
Golf Dome, Neville Island
7600 Grand Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15225

Saturday November 8
Saturday November 22
Saturday November 29
Saturday December 13
Saturday December 27

The Dome has reluctantly had to raise our rate after about 20 years to \$24 and I will be adding the \$1 for Our AMA alternate field/insurance fee. Your fee at the door is a total of \$25. As in the past if we collect our \$80 for AMA before the end of our flying sessions I will stop collecting the \$1. As in the past, pay at the front desk.

Scan here
for Map



Max aircraft weight remains at 14 oz.

Hope to see you all there!
Questions?
Contact Ed Andrews
412 965 0615



Guests Welcome !
Come join us !

Mammoth Airfield !

Thursday
January 1, 2026
10am

Mammoth Park Airfield
Klaka Road, Mt Pleasant



LHMAC Annual
“First in the Air”



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Flying in December



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Message from News Editor Jim Zangerski



Keep texting or emailing pictures

(*any size or format*) to me and any other RC related **events**, Notices, or interesting websites. They will be put on our Live Calendar, Facebook, or newsletter.

We all have too much stuff! So if you have anything you haven't used or flown in a while, send me a description, some pictures, a price, and a good contact phone number. We have many new members looking to fill their "hangars".

Our newsletter goes out to over 300 RC enthusiasts, so you will be hitting a targeted market!

Also, Members as well as non-members are welcome to sell in our newsletter.

email **zangerski@gmail.com**

text **724-454-3003**

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FOR SALE



Piper Cherokee 51.5 inch wingspan. Lights and flaps. 3s/4s. Complete less receiver. **\$225** or best offer

Contact **Rene Marquis**
724-216-8327

FOR SALE



Contact **Curt Hughes**
520-260-9867

Phoenix Models 3.3 Meter Bergfalke Powered Sailplane

RTF Selling my beautiful 3.3 meter Bergfalke in perfect condition. Only a few flights but I haven't flown in the past year so I'm letting her go. Equipped with: Rimfire 32 motor, Castle Creations Talon 60 ESC, AH Cam 13 X 8 Folding Prop/65mm Yoke, Top Model HD large electric spoilers, 2 X 4S 2500 Lipo batteries in parallel (for CG) (I'll include two sets) This model flies great and lands like a dream Never a hard landing or a crash. I will also include a launch dolly with the sale. **\$500**

FOR SALE



Contact **Warren Park**
412 609 8788

Cub \$200 OBO

**Tower Hobbies Trainer
\$200 OBO**

FOR SALE



Contact **Warren Park**
412 609 8788



EDF Jet \$200 OBO

Kit Plane
\$200 OBO

FOR SALE



Freewing F-22 Raptor Ultra Performance 8S 90mm EDF Jet

- AR8010T Receiver installed, Airspeed Indicator and Reverse thruster installed.
- 4 Pro 5000 4C Lipo 60c Batteries included.
- About 12 flights in all, Never been crashed, Everything works as it should.
- To much for these old eyes to fly anymore.
- \$500.00 for all. Contact Bob Heinz 440-812-3514

FOR SALE



Contact **Merrill McMahan**
724 261 8092

Kadet with Evolution 40 new. **\$125**

Seagull Yak54 with Magnum 120. **\$400.**

Without engine **\$300.**

Without electrics **\$200**

FOR SALE



Opterra 1.2m has iNav flight controller, VTX, GPS.
just needs RX and camera **\$100**

Shen Drone Terraplane Cinewhoop frame kit **\$120**

AtomRC Dolphin with iNav and FPV **250.00**

Eagle PNP 3s 1500-2200 \$60

Drone backpack Skypak 70.00

Desk lockable 75.00 free delivery!

Contact **Jeremiah Ulishney**
724-875-2318

FOR SALE



Great Planes Big Stick 40. 58.5 inch wingspan. Includes all servos no receiver. Powered by an OS .55 AX engine. Excellent condition.

Asking **\$250.00 with the engine, \$175.00 without.**

Contact **Rene Marquis 724-216-8327**

FOR SALE



Flex Innovations Cessna 170 floats NIB, yellow \$100

Tundra Tires, Carbon Fiber wing tips Carbon Fiber landing Gear strut supports \$120

Contact **Dan Berti**
412-606-5175

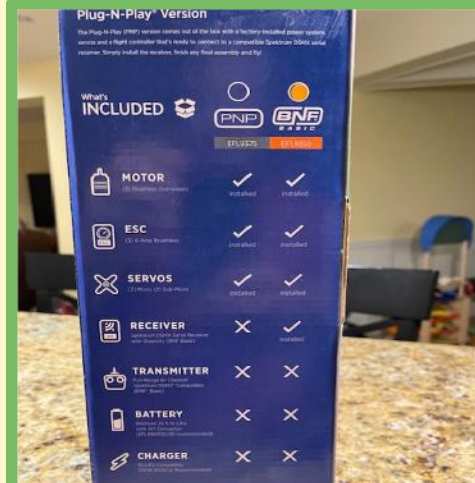
FOR SALE



Spektrum iX12 with carrying case and all original packaging. **\$350**

Contact **Rick Swiderski**
724-244-2235

FOR SALE



Eflite Mini Convergence BNF version. Needs your battery and radio. Just got this about 2 weeks ago from local hobby shop. Bought on a whim. Not really for me. Flys great and hover is very stable. I prefer standard fixed wing craft. Flew 2 packs through it. No damage or blemishes. Includes extra props, extra decals are included should you want to change the look. FPV ready. Just add camera and goggles. Everything you see is included. **\$150.00 obo**

Contact **Sam Borrelli**
661-236-5422

FOR SALE



Precision Aerobatics Katana KMX New never flown
Just add receiver and battery **\$500**

Hitec HS-5245MG Digital servos. 1 new and the other
only have a few flights on them **\$110.00**

Hitec HS-645 MG (6 available) These are used **\$15.00 each**

Contact **Rick Swiderski**
724-244-2235

FOR SALE



3D Lab Prints A6M2 Zero \$90

Hi Everyone. I have been 3d printing planes for a little while. I finally have the settings dialed to where I feel comfortable offering some completed prints to those who do not have a 3d printer. This listing is for the Zero from 3d labprint. It is printed in Polymaker LW-PLA (Light Weight PLA). This PLA is not quite as light as Esun or Colorfabb but the strength is far better and the looks are much better. Overall a much better finished product. 1m Wingspan

You provide the power system and your radio gear, pushrods, and hardware.

If you aren't familiar, 3d printed planes aren't perfect. They do need light sanding from time to time. The hard part has been done though. All you need to do is glue it together. I feel the assembly is easier than any of the Chinese ARFs of years past. I do 90% of the post processing so that you have as easy a time as possible.

I will include all of the printed parts for one Zero airplane and a printed manual. Please let me know if you have any questions. I am always happy to answer.

Please understand to fully print a plane takes 3 days roughly and this is a way to supplement the hobby for me, not my full time job. I get joy in making things as we all do being a part of this hobby.

Contact **Sam Borrelli**

661-236-5422

Message from President Jim Andrews



Thank you for coming to LHMACH field! New members may not be aware of the FAA requirements of the past several years. **These are the requirements** to fly at Mammoth Park Airfield:

AMA membership, go to modelaircraft.org



← Or Click or scan

Club membership, go to lhmac.org



← Or Click or scan

FAA registration, go to faadronezone.faa.gov there are 2 classes of registration, one for **recreational users(us)**, and one for commercial users. **For us**, recreational users, you will get one registration number that will be good for all your aircraft.



← Or Click or scan

TRUST (The Recreational UAS Safety Test) go to modelaircraft.org/trust to take the test.



Remember, model planes and helicopters are considered drones by the FAA. After you complete the 4 steps, **make labels for each of your aircraft** that has the following things on it,

1. Contact info (Name and Phone #)
2. AMA number
3. FAA registration number

Attach this label to each of your aircraft. **FAA# Must be on the outside of your aircraft**

All other info can go anywhere on the aircraft.

While flying, you need to have 4 pieces of information in your possession:

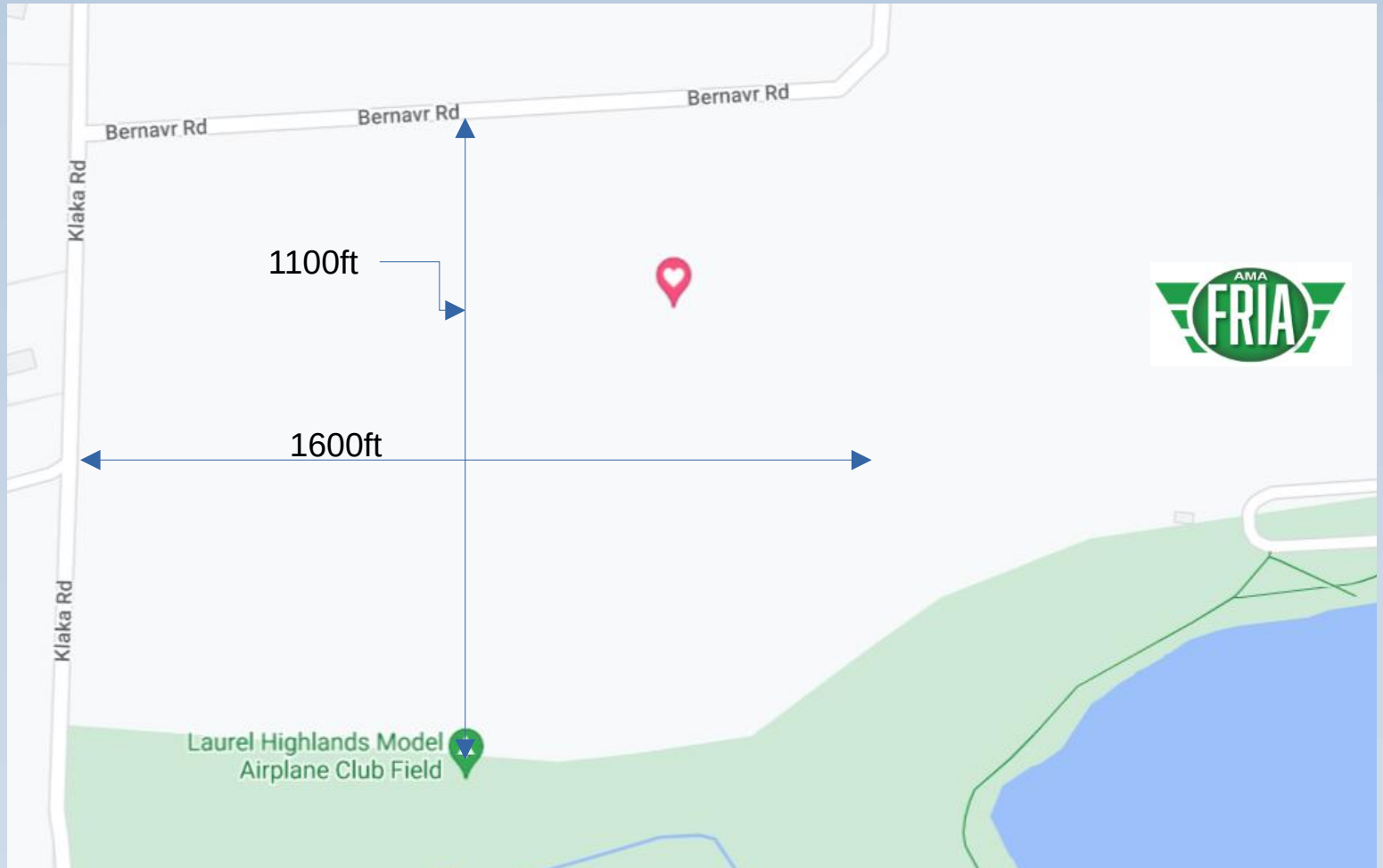
1. Your AMA membership card
2. Your LHMACH membership card
3. Your FAA registration card (Small UAS Certificate of Registration)
4. Your TRUST Completion Certificate

At first it seems complicated but really isn't. The TRUST certificate is a lifetime certificate. The FAA registration is good for 3 years for \$5 and can be renewed keeping the same number. LHMACH is a yearly membership and AMA can be yearly, 2 years, or lifetime membership.

See you at the field!

Jim Andrews

Laurel Highlands Model Airplane Club AMA #557



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Google map



LHMAC Mammoth Park Model Airfield Boundaries



GAS/GLOW FLIGHT QUALIFICATION AND ELECTRIC FLIGHT QUALIFICATION

Qualification sessions must ensure that the flyer shows knowledge of and practices the field rules and can safely and competently execute the following:

- I. Set-up and check aircraft, engine and radio correctly prior to flight.**
- II. Make take-offs to the left and right smoothly and under control (two each).**
- III. Make left and right hand rectangular patterns with proper turns at a safe altitude (two each).**
- IV. Make horizontal figure 8 patterns parallel with the flight line with proper turns at a safe altitude. (two each)**
- V. Make landing approach and landings from the left and right smoothly and under control (two each).**
- VI. Make simulated or real dead-stick landings on the flying site safely and under control (one each).**
- VII. Keep within the designated field boundaries at all times.**
- VIII. Any fail on a section of testing will require a re-test of that section.**
- IX. Qualification is only valid if completed in the presence of a qualified club member and a class qualified (gas class or electric class) designated instructor or club officer.**
- X. Pilots with a gas/glow qualification may fly any aircraft that is AMA legal.**
- XI. Pilots with an electric qualification are not permitted to fly gas/glow aircraft without the use of an instructor.**