



Live
Calendar
Of Events

January 2026 News



LHMAC.org

2025 Officers

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Next Monthly Meeting
Saturday, February 7 , 12 noon
St Paul Lutheran Church
108 Dutch Hill Rd, Latrobe, PA 15650



Message from Treasurer Rene Marquis



LHMAC MEMBERS. *It's time to renew your LHMAC 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, LHMAC Membership/Treasurer

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

Click here for a link to LHMAC membership Renewal form



Fill it out
Print it out

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

Laurel Highlands Model Airplane Club
AMA Charter #557 Mt. Pleasant, PA

Membership Application
(Please circle one) NEW 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 1st, membership is valid through the next calendar year!

Acceptance Statement
I accept/accept into Laurel Highlands Model Airplane Club (LHMAC) and agree to serve as an officer if necessary. I agree to abide by club rules and regulations, and comply with all laws. LHMAC & Academy of Model Aerodynamics (AMA) Field and Safety Rules. I understand that my membership may present hazards and I accept and release the Laurel Highlands Model Airplane Club, Inc., its officers, and members from all liabilities for personal injury, property damage, or wrongful death caused by negligence.

Signature _____ Date _____
Signature (if parent or guardian if under 18 yrs of age) _____ Date _____

Please mail this completed form with payment to LHMAC treasurer:
Rene Marquis
158 Frothingham Ave
Jeannette, PA 15644-1868

Please make checks payable to LHMAC

Questions?
Call 724-216-8327

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January 3, 2026

Monthly Club Meeting

Secretary Jim Zamerski



Minutes for January 3, 2026, at St Paul Lutheran Church

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 Carl A, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report.

Expenses, Operation Santa Claus, Pleasant Unity Pizza, Fall picnic

beverages. Income: 50/50 proceeds, Jim Pahel donation, Dues
Carl A motion to approve, second by Big Steve.... motion carried.

Also: We got a thank you note from the Shriners for our donation and we got recognition for our donation to Operation Santa Claus

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

Vice President Raffle 50/50. Please turn in trophies Winners will be announced at the February Club meeting.

Field control Not much going on.

Presidents report

Please return trophies if you haven't already.

Please send in your club dues if you haven't already.

Check your AMA card for renewal.

2026 Membership renewal due.

First in the air was very successful. THANK YOU DANA RUKSE for the great photos!

There was a free New Years day meal at St Paul that was fantastic. For those of you that didn't make it, put it on your calendar for next year.

Dome fly January 31.....see poster for details.

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

Meeting Adjourned

Message from President Jim Andrews

Thanks to everyone that came out to the field on January 1st to fly. We had 12 members brave the 17 degree weather and wind chill and snow. The Club Timber on floats flew well as did about 5 or 6 other planes. Check out the LHMAC Facebook page with photos by Dana Rukse as proof.



Our flying this past year was defined by the weather. We had long stretches where it was raining every day, followed by weeks of 20 mph winds, followed by 90 degree temperatures. The rain even impacted our helping to park cars at Mammoth Fest. But we still managed to get it done. And when the weather was good, it was very good, which allowed us to get some great flying in.

Last January in my message I presented four goals for 2025. Fly every month, attend more events, give back to the hobby, finish my partially built planes. Happy to say all were accomplished, although I still have an 80" gas Robinhood to finish. That will give me something to do this winter!

Events were Joe Nall (thanks Ed), Indiana Flyers Summer Solstice, BAMS event, Mon Valley Cedar Creek Fun Fly, Brodak Control Line Meet, Golden Age Air Museum R/C Scale Meet, Swap meets at MARCS Club and Keystone Flyers Club, SPARKS Neville Island Dome Flys, and our Clubs events: Family Picnics, Night Flys, Pylon Races, Streamer combat, Cub Day. Wow. No wonder 2025 seemed to go by so fast. Our Club members gave back to the hobby also by staging events for Scout groups and others by going to Camps or hosting at our field so kids got a chance to fly our Trainer planes. Lots of smiling faces at those events! Jim Z is hard at work updating our Live Calendar with 2026 events so let him know of any events you want to add to the Calendar.

A BIG THANK YOU to our Club Officers, Jim Z, Jeremiah, Rene for keeping this Club running smoothly, Gary and Ted for field control, and all our members for answering the call when help is needed. I hope to see you soon at the field or an event.

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 Boundary 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

January 2026

Thurs 1 First in the Air 2025
Sat 3 LHMAC Monthly Meeting **12:00 noon**

LHMAC Field
St Paul Church

February 2026

Sat 7 LHMAC Monthly Meeting **12:00 noon**

St Paul Church

March 2026

Sat 7 LHMAC Monthly Meeting **12:00 noon**
Sat 14 Lebanon RC Expo
Fri 20-21 Dayton Modelrama
Thurs 16-19 Spring Soar for Fun, Highpoint Aviation
Sat 28 MARCS auction

St Paul Church
Lebanon, PA
Dayton, OH
Ridgeley, WV
Delmont, PA

April 2026

Sat 4 LHMAC Monthly Meeting **12:00 noon**
Fri 10-11 Toledo Swap Meet

St Paul Church
Toledo, Ohio

May 2026

Sat 2 LHMAC Monthly Meeting **12:00 noon**
Tues 5-15 Westmoreland Parks Senior Games
Fri 8-16 Joe Nall Week 2026
Sun 31 Mammoth Fest Parking

LHMAC Mammoth Field
Mammoth Park
Woodruff, SC
Mammoth Park

June 2026

Sat 6 LHMAC Monthly Meeting **12:00 noon**
Sat 20 IFC Summer Solstice Fun Fly

LHMAC Mammoth Field
Indiana, PA



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”**



Guests Welcome !

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Come join us !

Dome Fly's 2026

When- 6:45 to 9:45 pm

Where- Robert Morris University

Golf Dome, Neville Island

7600 Grand Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15225

Saturday January 31

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

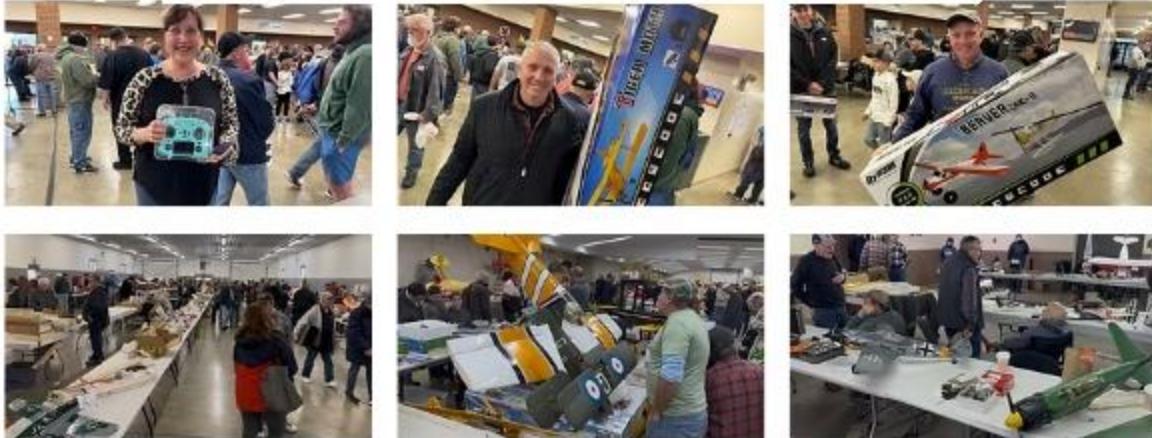


Max aircraft weight remains at 14 oz.



Hope to see you all there!
Questions?

Contact Ed Andrews
412 965 0615



2026 CPAA 45th ANNUAL RC EXPO

Saturday, March 14th, 2026

Lebanon Valley Exposition Center & Fairgrounds

80 Rocherty Rd, Lebanon, PA 17042

Friday, March 13th 3pm-5pm Early Setup for Vendors Only
Saturday, March 14th 7am-8:30am Vendor Setup Only

Doors Open to Public on Saturday, March 14th 8:30am - Show is over at 3pm

GET THERE EARLY for the BEST DEALS !!

We're looking forward to seeing everyone in 2026

Click HERE for Website

HighPoint Aviation Airfield

A Premier R/C Soaring Destination

2026

[Click HERE for Website](#)



Annual Soaring Events at HighPoint Aviation Airfield



Spring Soar for Fun

March 19-22, 2026

17th Annual Event

Summer Soar for Fun

July 16-19, 2026

14th Annual Event

Fall Soar for Fun

November 5-8, 2026

60th Annual Event

First in the Air 1/1/2026



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Message from News Editor Jim Zamerski



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 zamerski@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 \$150 OBO

**Tower Hobbies Trainer
\$150 OBO**

FOR SALE



Contact Warren Park
412 609 8788

EDF Jet \$150 OBO
Kit Plane
\$150 OBO

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 LHMAC 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.



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



Or Click or scan

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 LHMAC membership card
3. Your FAA registration card (Small UAS Certificate of Registration)
4. Your TRUST Completion Certificate

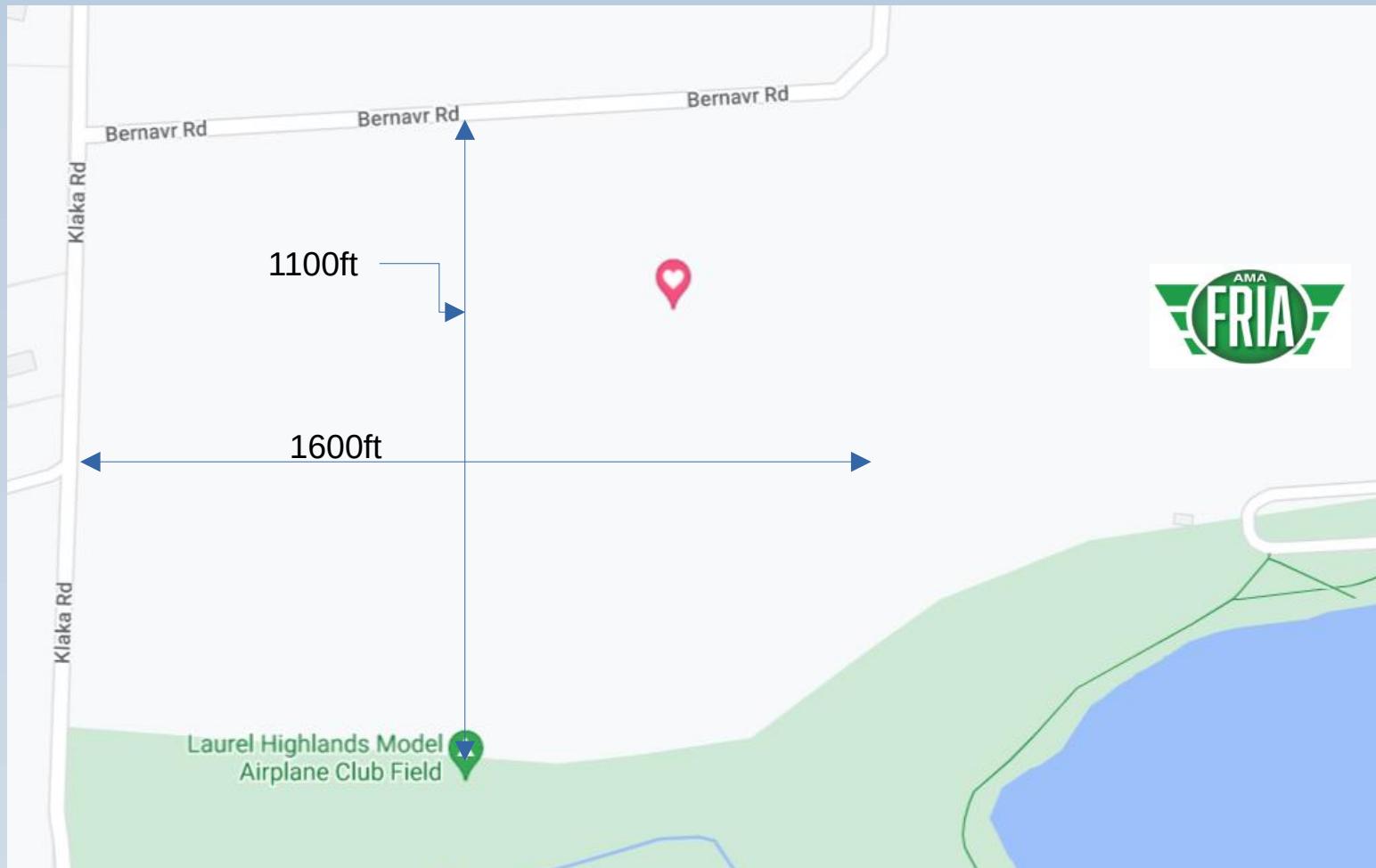
At first it seems complicated but really isn't. The TRUST certificate is a lifetime certificate. The FAA registration is good for 3 years for \$5 and can be renewed keeping the same number. LHMAC is a yearly membership and AMA can be yearly, 2 years, or lifetime membership.

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 .**