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RANDY MEATHRELL RECEIVES GOLDBERG AWARD



Long time member, shaker and mover *Randy Meathrell* gets the *AMA Carl Goldberg Vital People Award* from *Rick Nichols* (L) Secretary/Treasurer and President *Jay Riddle* at right. Only 5 are awarded out of over 300,000 AMA members. Congratulations Randy this is a well deserved award.

The scientific theory I like best is that the rings of Saturn are composed entirely of lost airline luggage.

— Mark Russell

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY 2012



Support Our Local Hobby Shop



The Safeway Center
Prescott Valley, AZ
MAX & CINNIMON BANDY
THEY SUPPORT OUR CLUB



From the Desk of CVMA President Jay Riddle

I can't believe it's that time of year again. Christmas is just around the corner.

For all of you pilots that have been a good boy or girl, you may just find that special kit in your stocking this year.

We all know that the winter months SHOULD be spent building airplanes. After all, what could possible be more im-

portant in life!

The past year has been wonderful for our club. We have welcomed many new members, and it is exciting to see all the enthusiasm we have.

The coming year will bring a few changes. As an example, for those of you that come to our monthly meetings, you will see more

time spent on building techniques, materials, and new products. Ask questions and learn. So, I hope to see all of you at the meetings.

I want to wish you and your families a wonderful Christmas season and a very happy new year.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS
 Jan. 26—29 Mesa, AZ
 8th Annual Arizona Electric Festival
 Site: Superstition Airpark.

CVMA MEETINGS



Third Wed. of every month at 7pm.
 Prescott Airport

ENGINE FUMES

By Bob Shanks



In this day and age of using the Internet to communicate, order supplies and do research, we need to be aware and take measures to protect our privacy.

There are a lot of bad guys who hack into servers, send out phishing e-mails, viruses and Trojan horses causing havoc.

When sending out e-mails to a large number of friends and family protect these addresses using the BCC subject line so recipients and the bad guys can't get these e-mail addresses.

Your editor had his e-mail hacked recently. The

causes can be numerous phishing e-mails and spam that get into servers. All Internet Service Providers (ISP) battle this everyday. Many have up to 6 or more spam and firewall programs to catch and eliminate these but some seem to always get into these servers.

Once the server administrators see what's happening they stop it and eliminate the problem but many annoying e-mails still get sent out. This has nothing to do with your e-mail password. Although passwords can be hacked too. So safeguard your e-mail and Internet use, especially at this time of year.

CVMA MEMBERS LIGHT UP YOUR AMBITIONS...



BUILD SOMETHING, BRING IT TO OUR NEXT MEETING!

CONSTRUCTION TIP

Many modelers retire and downsize and have minimum space to work.

Need an extra workbench, yet don't have the space for a permanent one? How about an ironing board?

It has a padded top (if you choose), is adjustable for height, and you can even sit down while covering or doing close-up work.

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CVMA PILOTS AND THEIR AIRCRAFT



Bob Noulin's Big Stick

A variety of member planes seen at our field in 2011

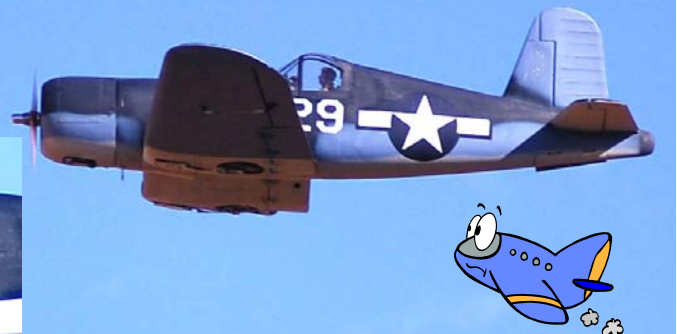


CVMA PILOTS AND THEIR AIRCRAFT



Graham Johnson's Fantasy Racer

A variety of member planes seen at our field in 2011



CLUB MEMBERS AND SPOUSES ATTEND ANNUAL CVMA CHRISTMAS BAGQUET AT GABBY'S IN CHINO VALLEY



Gabby's Restaurant at *Windy Plaza* the evening of the CVMA Christmas Banquet was a winter wonderland for our annual Christmas gathering.



The voice of CVMA: Rick Nichols.

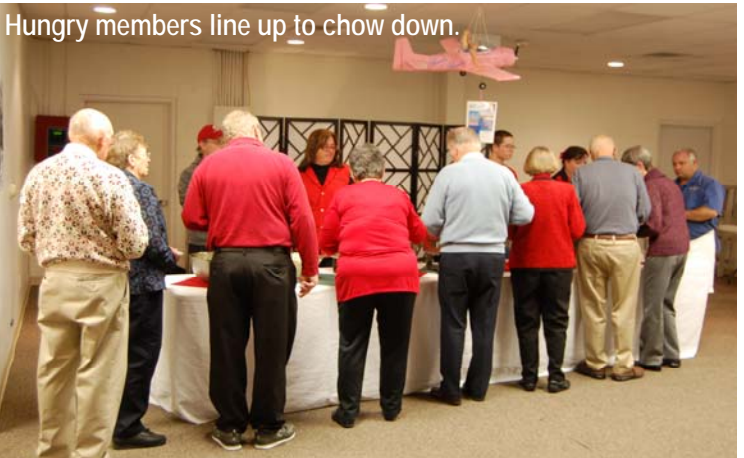
Our annual Christmas banquet was again held at Gabby's in Chino Valley with 43 in attendance. Thanks to Rick Nichols for setting up this great gathering of members. Gabby's again had wonderful food.

And of course our own *Randy Meathrell* was selected as one of only five national AMA members (over 300,000) to receive the annual *Carl Goldberg Vital People Award*.

Joyce Nabors won the \$50 gift certificate from *Kohls*, *Tom Jeffrey* won the \$50 gift certificate from *Valley Hobby*, *Ruth* and *Allan Collins* won club hats. Everyone had a high calorie good time. Have a wonderful 2012 members.



Bob Shanks is also a past Carl Goldberg award winner.



Hungry members line up to chow down.



Randy directs the hilarious 12 days of Christmas song.



Key club supporters: Barbara Riddle, Jolyne Nichols, Cinnamon Bandy, Ruth Collins, Cindi LaSalle-Shanks, and Carol Meathrell.

Christmas Gift Ideas



Ok members, here's just a few possible stocking stuffers on this page. *Max and Cinnamon Bandy* at *Valley Hobby* can get these and just about anything RC for you without a problem so start dropping hints to your spouse or other family member. Tools, batteries, you name it RC modelers are easy to shop for at Christmas. Our club hats are available through *Rick Nichols*.



EP Great Planes Mr. Mulligan

GWS-262 Electric Ducted Fan



Dumas HK-1 Hughes Spruce kit Goose Kit



Top Flite P-47D Thunderbolt 85"WS



ElectriFly F-16



Great Planes PT-17 Stearman



CVMA Club hats

TURBINE WAIVER DESIGNATION ON AMA MEMBERSHIP

From the Academy of Model Aeronautics

We finally did it!

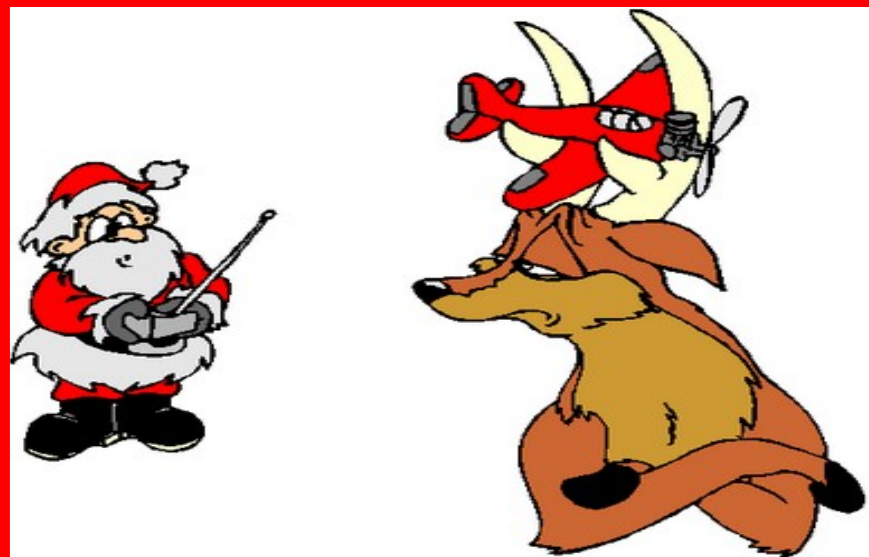
Many members of the turbine community have approached us in the past about combining the turbine waiver and membership card into one. After several reviews, more pondering, and some tweaking, we are happy to announce that starting with the 2012 membership year, turbine waiver designations will now be reflected on AMA's membership cards!

The turbine designations will be identified on the membership cards as follows:

- Turbine Fixed
- Turbine Rotary
- Turbine Control Line
- Turbine Homebuilt

Combining the data onto one card is a more convenient approach for all turbine waiver holders. It will also provide club officers and event officials with a much easier way to verify an individual's turbine waiver status.

If you have any questions regarding AMA's turbine program, please contact us at [www.turbines@modelaircraft.org](mailto:turbines@modelaircraft.org).



COLD WAR MACH 2 FIGHTER WORTH MODELING

J35 Draken

A lot of creative modeling can take place with blue foam. Many of our members have created some interesting models. Here's the Swedish J35 Draken that should be easy to cut out and make into a pusher or a small electric ducted fan.



SAFETY IS ALWAYS AN ISSUE

With the proliferation of electric models and ease of getting into RC, we do need to be aware that all of us represent the hobby to the public.

In the *AMA Model Aviation magazine* for December, Dave Gee writes about dangerous and irresponsible antics using RC models.

He tells of a flyer with First Person View (FPV) model with a moveable camera in the cockpit. The individual is flying off a road, that's dangerous in itself since the FPV helmet blocks vision of the road. The individual is flying over homes

and commercial businesses. If property damage or injury could've resulted all of RC modeling gets a black eye. Remind those who fly park models and larger electrics to belong to AMA and use accredited flying sites.

One irresponsible act can lose a club their flying site and possibly result in all kinds of lawsuits should an injury occur along with property damage.

Many parks already ban RC models just because of possible injury. We should all work to give our hobby a positive public perception. **Don't do foolish things period.**

In my neighborhood we have an individual flying a large foam glider over homes, it's not powered but the model is big enough to cause damage to roofs, windows, landscaping and possibly parked cars. I will be inviting him to come fly with our club and join.

This is always a delicate task since diplomacy must be of a high order but we all have that responsibility.

AMA quickly had a news release about the "wannabe" terrorist wanting to use models to attack federal workers. The models were so sophisticated

he most likely couldn't control them well even if he could've launched them. However, this is what we must all be aware of and try to counter in positive ways.

Our club assists ERAU in their UAV endeavors with the town of Chino Valley getting a regular report of our yearly activities. A positive for CVMA.

The September incident of possible terrorism using RC models certainly doesn't help AMA negotiations with the FAA over pending regulations concerning RC models. Be an RC Diplomat members.