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UPCOMING EVENTS

May 1st & May 3rd New Pilot Training Begins

For those interested in learning to fly, training has begun. The club needs some help with training. If you can help out, contact Jeff Bon.

May 28th Memorial Day Breakfast and Meeting

This is our annual Memorial Day breakfast and meeting held at Eaton Park – Clearview Mall beginning at 8:00 am. During the meeting we will be doing our raffles. So if you want tickets for the raffle, get them soon.

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The New Flying Season Has Begun

The field was officially opened for business last month. A total of 13 members come out for the work day on April 14th.

It looks like the fence got a new coat of stain. The field itself got some fertilizer and the signs on the back of the pin box were put up. Since it did not take long to get the work done and the field ready, the monthly meeting that was scheduled to begin at 2:30 pm got started early.

The same 13 members who came out to work were the same 13 who were at the meeting (the minutes for this meeting are posted to the Member's Only section of the website).

New Helicopter Trainer

The BAMS would like to welcome Todd Wuchevich as our new helicopter trainer. Todd volunteered to train new helicopter pilots, but because of his ever-changing schedule, he is not always available for training on the regularly scheduled Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Todd will be utilizing our Forum to keep anyone interested informed of his schedule.

If you are interested in learning to fly helicopters, please check the Forum for information as to when Todd is available.

An Invitation

AirQuest Aviation, located at the Butler Airport, has invited the BAMS to participate in their annual open house scheduled for May 19th from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm. We have been asked to set up a static display and have also been given permission to fly from one of the runways.

Several members have expressed an interest in participating. Some are interested in flying and some are interested in displaying their models. This will be an excellent opportunity for the club to get exposure and may be beneficial when we have our Annual Fun Fly in June.

We are asking that any members interested in participating in this event to contact Roy Scott or Doug Snyder and let them know.

Even if you do not want to participate, come on out to the airport and support the club.



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What's Next

June is looking to be a very busy month – as it has been in the past.

We have our annual yard sale scheduled for June 7th. We also have our annual Fun Fly slated for June 23rd.

These are our big money makers for the year. We need your support!

**Don't Forget To Visit
The New Discussion
Forum!**

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Members are reminded that the club has established a specific area that is to be mowed each week. When it is your time to mow, you are asked to pay attention to and stay within the established areas for which the club is responsible for mowing.

Discussion Forum

Just as an update, there has been very little activity on the forum. This is disappointing. It was hoped that by incorporating this forum into our website, our members would see the potential of this feature and would embrace it. This does not seem to be the case.

Based on the amount of time spent on setting the forum up and the effort into keeping the SPAM out of it, if the level of activity does not increase now that we are into the new flying season, the future of the forum may be short-lived.

If you think this is something worth keeping, then we need your support and participation. Register today and get involved with one of the discussions or just start your own. Help us keep this alive!

This Month

Don't forget that we will be having our annual Memorial Day breakfast and club meeting on May 28th. This will be held at the Eat 'n Park in the Clearview Mall (north Butler) starting at 8:00 am.

Don't forget that we have our annual Yard Sale scheduled for June 2nd. This is our biggest money-making event of the year and again we are asking for your support to make this successful. Check the forum for updates.

Raffles & Other Goodies

Don't forget that we have a few raffles going on at the time. The club is raffling off the latest version of the Stryker – a fun to fly electric bird as well as a new jacket with the club's logo and a complete Hitec Optic 6 radio. Be sure to get your tickets and help support the club.

Now that warmer weather is setting in, you might want to stock up on the t-shirts and hats that bear the club's logo. If you are interested in purchasing a new shirt or ball cap, check with Jerry Rudish when you see him at the field. He'll get you all taken care of.