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Prez Sez for January 2016

Field Flooded



Once again our field has flooded due to the historic rains that we had before Christmas. Thanks to Pierre Fath and Bob Ponte's efforts all the lawn equipment was saved. As you can see the pavilion is still standing although the road was under water. It may be the end of January before the water goes down. We are not sure how high the water got, but the porta potty, picnic table and rain barrel are still there. In 1993, the pavilion was under 10' of water and was destroyed, so we dodged the bullet this time.

Christmas Party

The Christmas party was held as scheduled although only 6 members attended. Don Shelton and John Bruno won the door prizes of \$50 each. Emmanuel Morris and Kevin Edler each won \$100 attendance prizes for the year.

Professional Drone Pilot Job Opening Presentation

Will Beever, Operations Manager for a new company headquartered in St. Louis called Aerial Agriculture will give a short 5-10 minute presentation at the Jan 14th club meeting. He will make the presentation at the beginning of the meeting, and then we will have our regular meeting.

They are looking for flyers who are interested in part time jobs doing Hyperspectral imaging with the company's UAVs. They operate fixed wing only now but plan to expand to a Heli as well. They are looking for part time pilots with a lot of stick time.

UAS Registration- Direction from the AMA to Hold off for now

The latest direction from the AMA is to hold off on registering with the FAA until the AMA can exhaust legal remedies. The AMA contends that:

"This rule is contrary to the intent of Congress. The new rule is contrary to the intent of Congress in Section 336 of the 2012 FAA Modernization and Reform Act. Section 336, also referred to as the "Special Rule for Model Aircraft," clearly prohibits the FAA from promulgating any new rules for recreational users operating within the safety guidelines of a CBO. In addition, the FAA's contention that model aircraft should be considered aircraft is currently the subject of pending litigation. "From AMA email "Guidance on Submitting Comments to the FAA" Dec 28, 2015

I hope each of you have taken time to send a response to the FAA. The deadline to submit comments is January 15, 2016. All comments can be submitted at <u>http://1.usa.gov/1Jegj0C</u>

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting will be on January 14th at 7:00 P.M. at the Mark Twain Hobby shop.

Memberships Due

Memberships are due December 15th and late as of January 15th. Remember to turn in your application as soon as possible. Please send your check and application to:

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Richard

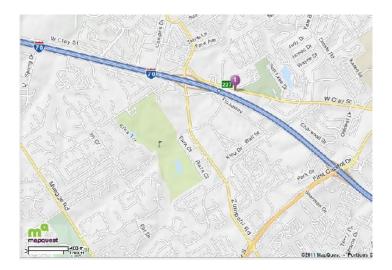
Meeting Schedule

Meeting Dates: 2016: Jan 14, Feb 11, Mar 10, Apr 14, May 12, Jun 9, Jul 14, Aug 11, Sep 8 Oct 13, Nov 10, Dec 8

Meeting Time: 7 to 9 pm

Meeting Location: Mark Twain Hobby Shop

From eastbound I-70 take the Zumbehl exit north and turn right on West Clay. Go 1/4 mile. Mark Twain Hobbies will be on your right. The meeting room is entered via the leftmost outside door for Mark Twain Hobbies.



Meeting Minutes

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