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MARKS is AMA Charter Club #333. MARKS maintains a flying field located at:
Waybright Field
1918 Saint Lukes Road
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On the cover: A less than perfect landing at Waybright Field.

Upcoming Events

May 2025

May 17 @ 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Field Work Day
MARKS Waybright Field

May 27 @ 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
May Membership Meeting
MARKS Waybright Field

June 2025

June 24 @ 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
June Membership Meeting
MARKS Waybright Field

July 2025

July 29 @ 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
July Membership Meeting
MARKS Waybright Field

For updated information visit <https://marksrc.com/events>

All Season Flyer for 2025

Do not forget to mark the list at Waybright field if you want your flights to count. The list is currently in the shed. As of 04/29/2025, the following MARKS members have flown at least once a month:

John Burnett
Stephen Hallman
David Hess
Scott Richards
Shye Sarig
Bill Waggoner
Jon Watson
Jim Waybright
Rick Witherow

Meeting Minutes for April 29, 2025

- MARKS April 2025 membership meeting
- Waybright Field
- 12 members present and 1 guest.
- The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Vice President Ray Carlson.
- Scott Richards read the March minutes. Ray Carlson asked whether there were any additions or corrections to the minutes.
 - Bob McIntyre wanted to clarify his comments on the use of high calcium lime. He said it helps hold down the growth of wire grass and also helps the soil hold moisture in our sandy soil to promote the more desirable grasses. Ray Carlson suggested we monitor the field conditions to see whether its use is warranted.
 - Dave Hess said that Rick Witherow donated \$55 for use in restoring Bill Young's pet grave yard.
- A motion was made to accept the minutes, with comments. The motion was seconded and approved.

Treasurer's Report

- Jon Watson handed out copies of the Treasurer's Report.
- Major expenses were for the porta potty and electricity.
- There have been 29 members that have paid their dues for 2025, with over 70% paying through PayPal.
- A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded and approved.

Field Report

- John Burnett has been keeping the fields and mowers in good shape again this month. John delivered gift cards to the neighbors. John changed the oil and filters on the two John Deere mowers.
- It appears we have new neighbors at the north end of the field.
- Receipts were submitted for the following items:
 - Gas
 - Oil
 - Spring service items
 - Blades for John Deere L120
- The munchie fund is healthy. \$200 has been given over to the Treasury.

Safety Report

No report.

Membership Report

- Brian McDonald introduced himself at the meeting and indicated he wanted to join the club. He said he already has his AMA Membership and has taken and passed the FAA course. He has tried flying on his own, but with limited success and will need instruction. He also indicated that he paid his dues a couple of years ago, but received no communication from the club. Ray Carlson apologized and suggested he go to the MARKS website and fill out a new member application form, so we will have all of his contact information. Welcome Brian.

Old Business

- Ray Carlson asked why do we need to install power to the shed and do we still want to spend the money to install it. Scott Richards indicated the main reason for bringing power to the shed was to provide light when accessing the first aid kit. Someone else said if that's the case, then why not move the first aid kit to the storage area which already has light and power. After some more discussion, a motion was made to forgo adding power to the shed. The motion was seconded and approved.
- Ray Carson asked Jon Watson if he heard anything back from Piedmont whether they had any extra AEDs available. Jon said they did not have any extra AEDs available. Bill Renshaw said he would talk to his fire

company to get an estimate of their cost.

- Ray Carlson asked whether anyone is planning to attend our Spring Workday scheduled for this Saturday, May 3. No one indicated they were planning to attend, so Ray said we need to reschedule. After discussing some dates and trying to avoid Mother's Day weekend, a motion was made to reschedule our Spring Workday for Saturday, May 17. The motion was seconded and approved. Bill Renshaw said he would try to power wash the tables prior to the 17th. Jim Waybright indicated that the water has not been turned on yet, so he plans to contact Caje Chandler to have him get the system started. Wally Makuchal said he would bring the paint that he stored for the winter to the field, so it is available on the 17th.
- Ray Carlson asked whether anyone had talked to Bill Young to get his thoughts on our proposed repairs and improvements to his pet grave yard. No one had talked to Bill. Jason Taylor was supposed to talk to Bill after our last meeting, but no one knows whether he talked to him and what was the result of that conversation. As Dave Hess mentioned earlier, Rick Witherow donated \$55 to help in the repairs and improvements.
- Wally Makuchal and Shye Sarig volunteered to hold a flying demonstration at the Snow Hill Senior Center. They will have to coordinate with Jason Taylor, because he needs to get the required permit from the FAA for the flights, as long as there is no cost to the club.

New Business

- Dave Hess indicated that we have an opening in the Executive Committee and nominated John Burnett to fill the position. A vote was taken and John was unanimously approved. John, thank you for volunteering.
- The Kent County Aeromodeler's are holding the "Cen-Del Warbirds & Classics 2025" event on May 22, 23 and 24. The event will be held at the Kent County Aeromodeler's Club field at 857 Mahan Corner Road, Sandtown, DE (12 miles west of Dover Air Force Base). See their website for more details.
- Jon Watson said Ken Ondo can no longer fly RC airplanes due to his health and has donated three planes and various RC accessories to the club. After some discussion, it was decided to hold an auction for Ken's donations on the Spring Workday, May 17. Jon Watson said he is donating \$100 to the club to cover the cost of the battery charger he is keeping for himself.
- Dave Hess said we have two members that paid their dues before October 2024 and are caught in the middle of whether those dues also cover their 2025 payments. After some discussion, it was decided to let their 2024 dues payment cover their 2025 dues. Like someone mentioned, we wanted to have members flying.
- A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and approved. Meeting was adjourned at 7:37 pm.
- Spring Workday is scheduled for Saturday, May 17 starting at around 9:00 am.
- Next meeting is Tuesday, May 27 starting at 7:00 pm. The meeting will be held at Waybright Field.