

Tim, unfortunately, couldn't attend tonight. His wife had wrist surgery today and he's home taking care of her. This year's Young Eagle build currently has 8 students. They are making fantastic progress. They will be finishing the wing this Saturday and the other group will be finishing the tail feathers also. We are going to start on the fuselage. We're on pace to finish the construction by the end of the year. We're going to start covering the model after the first of the year, with the goal to maiden the aircraft in March.



Safety:

The cold weather is upon us. Please take the steps to winterize your homes. Just because we have cooler weather, don't forget to maintain hydration.

Competition Results -

The last competition of the season turned out to be a good one. Very well attended and 9 T-28 racers. Results are posted on the website.

Regional Events (tentative)

Sep 13- There was a Golden Era Fun Fly. About 30 - 35 people showed up and there were about 7 flyers. The weather was good and everyone had fun. We were able to hold 4 of the 5 events originally planned. We didn't get to the jelly bean competition. Hopefully, we will be able to complete all events next year.

Oct 11/12 The event was cancelled on Saturday due to weather, so we deferred to the backup day. The weather started out a little windy, but the day did warm up and we had 3 flyers. Nick, Ernie and John Calhoun flew their nitro airplanes. It was a lot of fun, but the one lesson learned is that we'll hold the event earlier in the year in 2026.

Oct 24-25 – Autum EXPO - Monroe

Field Maintenance:

Hopefully done for the year.

Old Business:

On Friday, 10 Oct, the hobby community received word that Hazel Sig passed away. Nick, please gave us an updated on the SIG 4 Star – 20. That being the case, the feasibility of using the SIG 4 Star – 20 will not happen. KC has a 4 Star – 40. We're intending to rescale the plans to a 45" – 48" wingspan. Or, you can build a kit that you already have. If that sounds like were resurrecting the "Winter Build" from previous years, WE ARE! Duane has taken the rules from the previous Winter Build and updating them for 2026. The rules are the same as before. The rules are on the website. The starting date is NOW and we're planning to have the maiden about the end of March.



New Business:

I heard from Paul Fleming. His open-heart surgery was successful and he's already home.

As we approach the arrival of Fall, we need to start thinking and reviewing the status of our AMA membership, and our club memberships.

Rob Showman is in the process of contacting potential restaurants for a Club Banquet. To ensure that we have the available space, we need an accurate headcount of how many members are willing to attend. Please reach out to Duane or myself know if you're going to attend and how many guests you wish to bring.

We're planning to have a White Elephant gift exchange during the December meeting. Start your planning now!

And we need members to put on their thinking hats for the 2026 Club Officers. This is my last years as President. Additionally, Floyd is strongly requesting that we select a new Treasurer.

Show and Tell:

Comments from the Membership:

Nick commented that the weather pattern this year is closely mirroring the snow magedden of 2019. He's proposing that if we get a sufficient snowfall at the field, we should have a flying event featuring aircraft with snow skis. Sounds like fun. If that's the case, get your cold weather gear, foot/hand warmers ready.

Adjourned: 7:38 pm