

# Middle Point R/C Flyers



## May 2017 Newsletter

### Upcoming Events:

- June 1 – Membership Meeting
- June 3 – Memorial Fly-In – Cumberland Flyers – Cedar Hill, TN
- June 17 – Warbird and Classic Fly-In – MTRCS – Antioch, TN
- July 6 – Membership Meeting
- August 3 – Membership Meeting
- August 12 – National Model Aviation Day Fly-In – MTRCS – Antioch, TN
- August 26 – National Model Aviation Day Fly-In – MPRCF Club Field
- September 7 – Membership Meeting
- September 8-10 – MTRCCA Fall Fly-In – Dixon Airport
- October 5 – Membership Meeting
- November 2 – Membership Meeting
- November 4 – MTRCCA Swap Meet – Antioch, TN
- December 7 – Membership Meeting

### Prez Says

This month has been another difficult one for our field development. While the weather has been more cooperative, the local excavating company that we are receiving assistance from has not yet been able to get to our job. Because of the rainy April they are trying to catch-up on their “paid” jobs. We hope that they can get to our job soon.

We have done some sound testing and analysis and have developed a preliminary outline for a sound abatement program for the new field. Our initial analysis is promising. As we begin more active flying at the new field we will refine the program. We will discuss this in more detail at our June meeting.

On Sunday, May 7, the Middle TN R/C Clubs Association held its 12th Annual Fellowship Fly-In at the Cumberland Flyers’ field in Cedar Hill. The event

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## May Meeting Minutes:

The meeting was called to order by Dan Wandell @ 6:12pm. There were 10 members present. There were no guests.

The April meeting minutes were accepted as published in the newsletter.

The April Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

There was one new member added during April.

Old Business:

### Upcoming local events:

- Association Fellowship Fly-In at Cedar Hill – May 6
- Joe Nall – May 13 to 20
- Memorial Fly-In at Cedar Hill – June 3
- Warbird and Classic Fly-In at Cane Ridge – June 17
- National Model Aviation Day – August 12
- Association Fall Fly-In at Dixon, TN Airport – September 8-10
- Association Fall Swap Meet at Antioch, TN – November 4

Association Fellowship Fly-In: This year's event will be held at the Cumberland Flyers field in Cedar Hill, TN. Members were reminded that MPRCF is a member of the Association and that we share in the net proceeds of the Association events. We also share in the workload for these events. For this event we don't have any specific work responsibility other than helping if needed. Hopefully everyone can attend.

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## Prez Says (cont.)

was originally scheduled for Saturday, but with bad weather being forecast for Saturday, and good weather being forecast for Sunday, the event was postponed one day. The Middle Point members who attended all had a good time. The weather was great, the field was well maintained and, as always, it was great seeing many of our friends from the Middle Tennessee area. As an Association member our club benefits from the proceeds raised by this and other Association events. Since there was a pretty good turnout of pilots, this event should end up being a profitable one for the club.

On August 26, our club will hold a National Model Aviation Day (NMAD) Fly-In to raise funds for, most likely, the Disabled American Veterans. In years past we have held a joint event at the MTRCS field in Antioch since we were without a permanent club field. Hopefully our field will be operational. If not, all club officers, especially the President, will be fired. ☺ The Cane Ridge club will hold their own NMAD event on August 22. Hopefully members will make an effort to attend both events since the funds raised go to a very worthwhile charity.

After the May meeting Greg Doe brought up for discussion a unique aviation museum that he recently visited in Lebanon. The Wings Remembered ([www.wingsremembered.com](http://www.wingsremembered.com)) museum takes an unusual approach to their collection. Many of the items in their collection are recovered aircraft parts from WWII crash sites. They also have other interesting artifacts

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# May Meeting Minutes (cont.):

New Field: The following list of action items was discussed.

## Completed Actions:

- Lease Agreement signed
- 2017 lease payment issued
- Certificate of Insurance Issued
- Announcement to general public
- Murfreesboro and Stones River airports notified
- Remove and burn trees
- Close/block unused service road entrances and place no trespassing signs at the Greenway entrances to the service roads
- Determined runway layout
- Determine pits and parking layout
- Grading has begun
- Determined driveway layout
- Began driveway improvements
- Small field – Board approved the field's use for drones, etc. – no further action until interest is expressed

## Since Last Meeting:

- Due to the constant rain during April there was no meaningful progress at the field.

## Pending Actions:

- Grade field and pit area
- Relocate road gate or do away with it
- Install field gate
- Improve road entrance to allow left turns – City approved
- Place rock/gravel on driveway – including drain pipes
- Parking area – leave natural unless rock cost is within budget – outline with logs
- Advise Murfreesboro fire and police departments of our location
- Install fabric runway (30x150)
- Seed outlying areas
- Establish sound abatement program
- Get a porta-potty after road is graveled (City uses Stewart's (\$65/mth-?) / Shamrock was used at the other field)
- Determine what to move from Carl's and do so
- Establish Safety Program

June Meeting Location: The June meeting will be held at O'Charley's Restaurant.

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## May Meeting Minutes (cont.):

### New Business:

Word was received that Mike Avery, a former MPRCF member, recently passed away.

There was no other new business.

Meeting adjourned at 6:59pm.

## Prez Says (cont.)

on display.

From the Wings Remembered website:

"Wings Remembered is dedicated to preserving the history of airmen and their aircraft.

Our museum is filled with groupings of items from airmen that include their uniforms, flight jackets, medals, photos, and documents that together tell the story of each individual. We display artifacts that have been recovered from crash sites of our aircraft that were lost over foreign soil and while training here in the US.

A lot of research goes into the artifacts recovered from crash sites. In this process we identify the actual aircraft, its mission, and the individual or crew members that were on board. We also go to great lengths to locate any possible survivors and their families. In some cases we have had the honor of families coming to see artifacts from the aircraft of their loved ones.

You will also find on display a working Norden Bombsight, a B-24 waist window display and so much more."

The museum is open by appointment only. It was suggested that if we have enough interest we could make a group trip to the museum. If you have any interest in seeing the museum let me know and I will work out the arrangements.

Well...that's it for this month.

Dan



**Next  
Club Meeting !  
June 1, 2017**

# Association Fellowship Fly-In – Cedar Hill – May 6



## Captain Jeff Kuss USMC Memorial – Smyrna, TN

On June 2, 2016, at the age of 32, Captain Jeff Kuss, a Blue Angels pilot, tragically lost his life when his jet crashed a day before the Great Tennessee Air Show in Smyrna. A Blue Angel F/A-18C Hornet similar to the jet flown by Captain Kuss will be on permanent display in Smyrna as part of the Captain Jeff Kuss Memorial. This aircraft is on loan from the National Aviation Museum in Pensacola, Florida, and was recently delivered to the Smyrna airport where it will be housed until it is installed at the memorial. If you are interested in helping to fund the memorial to Captain Kuss, you can find more information at: [www.captjeffkussusmcmemorial.com](http://www.captjeffkussusmcmemorial.com).



# CUMBERLAND FLYERS

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## 2017 MEMORIAL FLY-IN

**Saturday June 3<sup>rd</sup> 2017**

Flying from 8 a.m. to dusk

Raffle Prizes! Concessions on-site !

All AMA members and spectators are welcome!

Aircraft, Gliders, Helicopters , Multi-Rotors !

Rain day Sunday 4 June

Sanctioned by the Academy of Model Aeronautics –  
Sanction # 765



Pilot Landing fee: \$10 – proof of AMA is required      Spectators – Free!

**3336 Winters Rd. Cedar Hill, TN 37032**

From I-24 West: 1) Take I-24 West to Exit 19, Maxey Road  
2) Turn right off ramp and go 3 miles. 3) Turn left at the 4 way stop on Stroudville Rd, and go 1.5 miles. 4) Turn Left on Winters Road. Follow driveway to field behind the barn on right

From I-24 East: 1) Take I-24 East to Exit 19, Maxey Road 2)  
Turn left off ramp and go 3 miles. 3) Turn left at the 4 way stop on Stroudville Rd, and go 1.5 miles. 4)  
Turn Left on Winters Road. Follow driveway to field behind the barn on right

Camping is available starting Friday night .

For camping info contact club officers via website  
[www.cumberlandflyers.org](http://www.cumberlandflyers.org) or email  
Cumberlandflyers@gmail.com

MIDDLE TENNESSEE R/C CLUBS ASSOCIATION

## 12th Annual FALL Fly-in

9 & 10 Sep. 2017

Dickson County Municipal Airport

2372 Sylvia Rd Dickson, TN



This event is for **ALL AMA Member Pilots** and All AMA Safety  
Code compliant R/C Models Including Turbines  
Electric, Gas or Glow - all are Welcome.

Foamies To Giant Scale! Primative Overnight camping

- \$20 Landing Fee
- Great Door Prizes
- Food Truck Concessions
- Registration @ 7:30 - Pilot's Meeting @ 9:00
- Register / pay On Line [mtrcca.org](http://mtrcca.org)
- Contact Dick Tonan For Additional Info [dtonan@mac.com](mailto:dtonan@mac.com)