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August 2020

Message from the Club President

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We are about in the same state, as we where last month. Florida has had a large increase in positive cases over this time period; therefore we need to be very vigilant of our surroundings, to stay healthy. The Pandemic affects a lot of old folks, in Nursing Homes and Long-Term Care Facilities and younger folks that want to continue to party without adhering to social distancing. We all need to follow the state and federal guide line.

The field is still open during the pandemic, as long as we follow the SWFWMD guide lines that are posted at the Gate.

THE AUGUST MEETING IS CANCELED

We are still gaining some old and new members, so say hello to them and give a helping hand. It has also been brought to my attention that some members are not using the proper taxi ways to get to the runway, the added cuts made across the Pilot station area by the Grass Cutters are walkways only, and some members have used them in very unsafe manners, taxing around pilots on the flight line. Just because I am

not there, you think you can break the rules; **Stop** before you ruin a good thing for all members. Hope everyone stays healthy and keep practicing social distancing.

See you at the field,

Werner

All Members if you are not receiving the club newsletter by e-mail, Please e-mail Gordon McLean at <u>BCFSecy@gmail.com</u>

CLUB JACKETS

We will be ordering club jackets if we get enough people who are interested. These are first quality jackets like the last ones we ordered. The cost is \$75. Please contact Gordon McLean ASAP at BCFSecy@gmail.com if you want one. All orders need to be in by the end of November at the very latest. August 2020 Leader Member Report

Recently I contacted FAA's Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Support Center regarding the registration of aircraft. The following was their response:

Under the limited exception for recreation, all UAS (drones, r/c aircraft, model aircraft) weighing .55 pound (250 grams) or more must be registered to operate in the U.S. National Airspace System. Such a registration is valid for three years at which point it must be renewed.

For additional inquiries contact UAShelp@faa.gov, <u>https://www.faa.gov/uas/</u> or call 844-FLY-MY-UA

Registration expires in 180 days and can be renewed at FAADroneZone. The cost of registration is \$5.00.

To the best of my knowledge 52,000 comments sent to FAA in March regarding Remote ID are still being reviewed. I was informed that any final FAA decision can be rejected by AMA.

Mike Diesu, Administrative Leader



The Events 2020 will be posted as soon as the new calendar becomes available. Until then, a summary of the BCF Club sanctioned events for 2020 is listed below.

Bay City Flyers 2020 Event dates

November 14th Fighter Town /WW1 thru WW2



WHEN RENEWING YOUR MEMBERSHIP, YOU MUST SUBMIT THE PAPERWORK, NOT JUST A CHECK. ALSO, PLEASE ENCLOSE A SELF ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE AS IT SAYS ON THE RENEWAL FORM

<u>Volunteer Flight Instructors are needed!</u> Please contact an officer or Chief Instructor Mike Kohanyi

Bay City Flyers: CLUB INSTRUCTORS

If you are new to our club and need flight instructions, please contact Mike Kohanyi, our Chief Flight Instructor. If you are a current member and would like to become a Flight Instructor please contact Mike Kohanyi.

Bay City Flyers provides a number of ways to introduce individuals into the sport of Radio Control Flying. Never flown before? No Problem. We have a group of members who are designated as "Intro Pilots" by the AMA. An Intro Pilot offers you the opportunity to fly a few times without purchasing equipment and to be covered by the Intro Pilots AMA Insurance. If you are interested in continuing flying you must join AMA and we can provide you with a Club Instructor. If you have a friend or relative who holds a Bay City Flyer Solo Card, he or she may be able to act as your Instructor, but the student must be checked out by Chief Flight Instructor.

Intro Pilot Instructor and check pilot - Jody Lopez 813.843.4011 maxiim76@aol.com

Finally, we have Designated Check Pilots, who will check you out and determine if you can be issued a Bay City Flyers Solo Card:

Mike Kohanyi 813-744-1471 mkohanyi@tampabay.rr.com

A club officer can also be a check pilot if a regular check pilot is no available.

Joe Barzyz is a club Intro Pilot for Civil Air Patrol Students only



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No Meeting in August 2020 at Area 52 Field. Check out our web site: <u>HTTP://WWW.BAYCITYFLYERS.ORG</u>

Review the Bulletin Board and our Website to keep informed of what is happening at the flying fields.

