

May 19, 2016

Hello everyone: We made it to Thursday. The weather man says that tomorrow Friday will be cloudy with rain in the early evening and light winds with 68 degrees. For Saturday will be cloudy, 66 degrees and rain throughout the day with 7 mph winds from the N. Sunday seems to be partly cloudy, 71 degrees and 6 mph winds from the N. So, if the weatherman gets it right, Sunday looks like our best chance.

Reminders:

RAMS JUNE MEETING: RAMS Field at **3:00PM. Sunday June 5, 2016.**

THE ANNUAL RAMS FUNFLY INVITATIONAL: Saturday, June 4, 2016. Start time **9:00AM.** Our RC colleagues from the PILOT Club are joining us to fly and have a nice lunch. **VERY IMPORTANT:** RAMS Pilots are asked to BYOF&D (Bring Your Own Food and drinks with enough to share with guest and spectators). Plan it ahead, separate the date and bring burgers and hot dogs as main fare enough for you and share with friends and visitors. It is also the opportunity to shine with the best Mac & Cheese ever or your signature desert. You decide how to WOW the crowd. Let's welcome with good flying and lots of good food our guests from PILOT as they do for us when we go to their field on the First Flight Of the Year (every Jan 1). It promises to be a fun gathering so let's HAVE AT IT! Come and join us early and be there for lunch. I will have the grill up and running by 11:30AM.

FIRST IN FLIGHT RC JET RALLY: May 25 - 29. Wilson Industrial Air Center, 4545 Airport Drive N.W., Wilson, NC. Go to the RDRC Club Website for more details.

NEW RAMS FIELD SIGNS: Everything is coming together. Materials are ready, the artwork is being worked on and everything will be installed when the signs are made. Check out the first signs ready and installed. These are the rules signs by the fence. Many thanks to Don for getting materials, Gary for construction, painting and installation and Greg for the decals job. In about a month or so you will see new front entrance signs. Also we will replace the old signs on the "Y" at the entrance road as you veer right into the field road. Keep looking, you will see them soon!!

RAMS 2017 OLYMPFREAKS: We are thinking about it. We are looking into the end of August - September or around when is not too hot. This is the signature competition event at RAMS. Why is it called the OLYMPFREAKS? Because this activity is of OLYMPIC magnitude and its FREAKING awesome!!! For those new to the club, this event is an afternoon of competition where 5 events are put together to challenge our pilots in performing tasks that require more luck than skill. This was even the less skilled pilots have a good chance at success. There will be more information coming as we decide on a date.

RAMS POLICY ABOUT GUEST PILOTS: Only Full Members at RAMS have the privilege to bring a guest pilot up to 4 times a year. The guest pilot must be under the supervision of the RAMS Host pilot. The RAMS Host Pilot is responsible for the actions of the guest pilot. The Guest pilot must abide by all RAMS Rules and Safety Code, must have an up to date AMA registration and be observant of our Good Neighbor Policies and Noise restrictions. Any issues to address with a guest pilot will be done through the RAMS Host Pilot. After two visits to the field a guest pilot needs to submit an application for membership. If there are no positions available, the application will be placed on the waiting list.

RAMS WAITING LIST: RAMS has a 50 full members cap. At the present time we do not have open positions. Any pilot wishing to join the RAMS Club can submit the application form without the fee and will be placed in the waiting list in the order the application was received. If a position opens, the applicant will be notified to start the membership probation period of about 8 weeks before going for a vote at the Club Officers Meeting. When notified by e-mail, the applicant must submit the application fee and initiation fee to start the process within 3 days or we will go to the next applicant. During the probation period, the pilot is asked to come with us to the field (weather permitting) and meet with club members and club officers. The pilot may fly at RAMS only under the supervision of a RAMS Full Member during the probation period. The goal is to assess if the applicant and the club are a good

mutual fit. If an applicant is not voted in the club or does not complete the application / probation period, the application fee will be returned in full. Verbal or email requests to be placed on the waiting list will not be honored. Only the submission of the application form gets the applicant a place in the waiting list. The form can be handed to any club officer, mailed to the treasurer who will pass it along to the secretary who is in charge of the membership process. The application form can be downloaded from the RAMS Website (www.ramsrc.com) ; IMP: Being placed on the waiting list does not provide flying privileges at RAMS.

That is all. See you at the field and have safe fun flying!!!

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