

January 19, 2017

Hello everyone: OH YES! The weekend is almost here. Time to start looking at the extended weather forecast for the weekend and see what the weatherman thinks is going to happen. For tomorrow, Friday: Morning rain and then cloudy and foggy, 60 degrees, 5 mph winds SSE. Saturday: Cloudy with afternoon showers 50%, 63 degrees, light winds SSE, thunderstorms moving in late afternoon. Sunday: 63 degrees, 9 mph winds, 80 to 100% chance of rain and thunderstorms throughout the day and evening. OK! If this holds, looks like we are for another wet weekend with some hit and miss chances of a little bit of flying. Those lucky to be able to get some flying today, looks like it will be quite nice.

Other Reminders:

RAMS FEBRUARY MEETING: Sunday February 5, 2017 at Golden Corral US1/Wake Forest. Let us meet at 9:30AM for breakfast and 10:00AM for club meeting. This is a great opportunity to meet, have a great time, do some club business. We would like to have all our new pilots that have started the membership process to come and spend some time with us. Looking forward to seeing everyone.

2017 BARKS SWAP MEET: Saturday, February 25, 2017. Doors open to the public by 8:00AM. Closing by 2:00PM. Mebane Arts & Community Center. 622 Corregidor St. Mebane, NC 27302. If you want to rent a table to sell your rc stuff, contact: Chris Philipps Phone 919-428-1215. cphilipps244@gmail.com You may also go to their website and register to rent tables. Aisle tables \$15.00. Wall tables \$20.00. Admission for over 10 yrs old is \$5.00. There will be raffles. Go to: http://barksrc.com/content.aspx?page_id=22&club_id=490293&module_id=241580

ATTENTION - AMA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL DEADLINES HAVE CHANGED: Please pay attention to your AMA renewal deadline. The AMA changed from everyone renewing by December 31 to different dates based on your new renewal schedule. Now, more than ever, I need everyone to keep track of your AMA renewal date. **YOU CAN'T FLY AT RAMS WITHOUT AN UP TO DATE AMA registration due to liability insurance and as a club rule.**

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2 Members who will expire on Jan 31 2017 12:00AM

2 Members who will expire on Feb 28 2017 12:00AM

RAMS MEMBERSHIP CARDS FOR 2017 WILL BE AVAILABLE SOON: As soon as Sam Goldfarb gets them ready, I will let everyone know. A BIG THANKS to Sam for doing this for us.

RAMS HATS: MANY SOLD ALREADY! WE STILL HAVE SOME!!! The RAMS Hats are very elegant. They are only **\$20.00 per excellent quality hats.** We will have them for sale at the RAMS CLUB MEETINGS so anyone wanting one can get it and so the new pilots can get their hats too. If you see me or JT, check if we have the hats so you can get yours.

IMP: 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 must be present and is responsible for the actions of the guest pilot. The RAMS Host Pilot is responsible to observe the 4 times a year guest visit limit. 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 and can be reflected on the RAMS Pilot membership eligibility.**

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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