

February 9, 2017

Hello everyone: YES! The weekend is almost here. The weatherman says the for the weekend extended forecast, this is how it looks. Friday: Mostly Sunny, 48 degrees, 6-10 mph winds WSW. Saturday: Mostly Sunny, 68 degrees, 8 mph SW. Sunday: Partly Cloudy, 76, 8-10 mph winds. Well! It does not look we will have to deal with rain for the weekend, just a little bit windier conditions than what we like. Nevertheless I am sure we can find some good flying weather late afternoons.

Other Reminders:

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. Admission for over 10 yrs old is \$5.00. Go to:
http://barksrc.com/content.aspx?page_id=22&club_id=490293&module_id=241580

RAMS SPRING FUN FLY INVITATIONAL AND COOKOUT: And here we go again! **Saturday, April 29th.** Our first big official activity for 2017. It is what I call the OFFICIAL RAMS Club excuse to EAT, FLY, EAT, FLY and EAT SOME MORE. We will start by **9:00AM** and fire up the grill to get burgers and hot dogs and everything else ready for 12:00PM lunch. For this event the club will get hamburgers and hot dogs as well as plenty of water, but we need RAMS Club members to help with more burgers, hot dogs, sausages, chicken to grill, chips, dips, soda and deserts. Some of you know how to make a mean Mac & Cheese as well as Super Good Potato Salad. I know a few members that are excellent at deserts. So, **SHOW OFF** your culinary and baking skills for this event. We will invite the members from the PILOT Club to come and join is for the day. The RAMS Waiting list pilots are also welcome to come and fly with us. Let us start the flying season in full force with good spirits and camaraderie. You all need to start getting your gliders ready because we will have one of our famous **RAMS GLIDER COMPETITIONS** where we all takeoff at the same time, climb under power for 20 to 30 seconds and then the last touching ground wins BRAGGING rights and maybe something else if we feel generous enough.

RAMS GLIDER COMPETITION: Saturday, April 29th. Get ready. It will be FUN!!! During the RAMS SPRING FUN FLY INVITATIONAL. More details will follow as we get closer to the event.

RAMS BUILD EVENT 2017: Sunday, June 11. More details will follow about the build them and rules. The Build Event we will also have a **Flite Test Spitfire Foamy Build Event** with formation flying and possibly may end up in a combat sortie (You never know with this RAMS Pilots). **SOUND LIKE IT IS GOING TO BE FUN!** More details will follow soon about this. The Build Events are a collective brain child of our Safety Officer, Joe Schodt - We will see what he comes up with.

THE ONE AND ONLY JOE NALL 2017 EVENT: May 13 to the 20th. As always, RAMS Club Base will be there. More details will follow on this premier RC Flying event in Woodruff, South Carolina at the Triple Tree Aerodrome. .

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. **WE ALL NEED UP TO DATE AMA REGISTRATION TO FLY AT RAMS** due to liability insurance and as an AMA Chartered club.

RAMS MEMBERSHIP CARDS FOR 2017 WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE FIELD THIS SUNDAY: Ask me (Dr. Joey) for yours.

RAMS HATS: WE STILL HAVE SOME!!! They are only **\$20.00 per hats.** I will have hats available at the field this Sunday and at the March Club Meeting.

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

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