



**Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 7th, 6:30 PM, at HobbyTown (Fort Collins)**

## A Letter from the President

Greetings Modeleers

Not a whole lot of flying this month, but what is expected in January? A couple of us did experience a couple of days of ridiculously calm, warm days, so I can't complain. This past Saturday and Sunday Don Vagge, Fred Damm and I did get in some ski flying. I'm getting wimpy and don't like to fly at temperatures below 40 degrees when the "numb thumb" syndrome sets in, but it was calm and almost 50 degrees! Its such a kick to slide in those landings and touch and goes without worrying about running off the runway. I find myself taking off just to make a circuit and land again.

Appended are the January minutes. As evidenced by Dave Dust's copious minutes, we had a lot to cover and I appreciate the business-like response of those of you who were in attendance. We approved a new budget, finalized and approved the new the Modeleers web site, and managed to avoid getting locked into HobbyTown's basement meeting room.

Carl Beisel did a yeoman's job putting together our updated web site, then getting it running. It operates seamlessly under our previous website name modeleers.org. He has added features that make it more professional. Thanks for the good work, enthusiasm and patience Carl!

At the upcoming February meeting we will devote most of our time to the March Swap Meet at the Larimer County fair grounds. We will need volunteers to help with the Swap Meet at the Ranch on March 3. In particular we would like help setting up the tables and taking them down in the end. I would also like to for someone to come up with a sign that we can put along the entrance road directing folks to the building. A sandwich board or steel post and sign should do it.

Our abbreviated February schedule should allow us time for displaying and discussing the winter builds we could not see at our last meeting when we ran out of time.

We will meet on Wednesday, February 7th at 6:30 PM in the basement of HobbyTown at 3500 So. College in The Square Mall.

I hope to see you there.

Jerry Craig President

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## Minutes of the January 2018 Meeting

**Date and Location:** Wednesday, January 3, 2018 at 7:00 PM at HobbyTown (3500 So. College in The Square Mall).

**Call to Order:** President Jerry Craig called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM with 15 members in attendance, including Vice-President Durbin Seidel, Safety Officer Joe Wilson, Treasurer Jim Ferry, and Secretary David Dust.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the November meeting were approved unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Ferry reported the club's current checkbook balance is \$4,739.56 and the savings balance is \$7,629.11. The treasurer's report was approved unanimously.

**Safety Officer's Report:** Safety Officer Joe Wilson praised the Club for having "no big problems" this past year and encouraged the membership to keep up the good work. Safety Officer Wilson also recommended that this is a good time of the year for the membership to re-read the AMA rules and to carefully go over each of your aircraft for general air worthiness.

**Old Business:** President Craig started the discussion of the new webpage and, after some lively discussion, the membership made the following decisions.

- a premium package (at a cost of up to \$14/month) was approved by a majority.
  - The motion to list only Altitude Hobbies and HobbyTown as sponsors/vendors on the webpage was approved unanimously.
2. Secretary Dust described the proposed amendments to the Club's Bylaws and following brief discussions of each item the following three amendments were approved unanimously.
- Article IV - Section 1: amended to reflect that "the annual Club dues for the Executive Committee shall be one-half (1/2) of the dues for an Open Membership".
  - Article VIII - Section 1 - Paragraph A: amended to remove the "at least 5 days" prior stipulation regarding when the monthly newsletter will be provided to each member.
  - Article VIII - Section 1 - Paragraph B: amended to reflect that "the Webmaster has authority to remove any webpage content deemed inappropriate by himself or the Executive Committee".
3. Safety Officer Wilson reported that he has scheduled the Club's "swap-meet" for Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Larimer County fairgrounds for Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> and that he has already posted it on the AMA calendar.

**New Business:** President Craig presented the itemized draft budget. After discussion and some minor adjustments, the Club's annual budget of \$2608 was approved unanimously.

2. President Craig briefly described the cost estimates that he had received for crack-filling and seal-coating the runway and recommended that we hold off for now, except maybe for some self-applied stop-gap measures. The membership agreed with this recommendation.

**Meeting Adjourned** at about 7:45 PM, since HobbyTown closes at 8:00PM!

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be on Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM at **HobbyTown** (3500 So. College in The Square Mall).

Respectfully Submitted,  
David Dust  
Rocky Mountain Modeleers Secretary

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Membership is open to all RC model aircraft enthusiasts who are members of the [Academy of Model Aeronautics \(AMA\)](#). Activities of the club include all phases of RC modeling: instruction, sport flying, club events, and more. A monthly newsletter and yearly membership card is sent to each member. Instruction is offered to new members free of charge. Current AMA membership is required to fly at either club field. Non-club members who are AMA members may fly free two days as a guest of the club.

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