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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE MINIATURE AERO SPORTSTERS

CLUB PRESIDENT- JACK DUNKLE

From the President ...

Hello all and a happy beautiful fall season here in Colorado. There has been a lot of action at the field as the weather has been great for flying. MAS just completed its final club meeting for 2025, and that included the election of Officers and Board members. There were a few other items that were brought up that are on the Oct. Meeting Minutes (attached). Please check it out. Thanks for the large show of members who attended the meeting to support our election process. One item that was brought up was about the problems with our power & solar system. This has been addressed and all is fully functional again. Our field is ready for the winter months. All of our mowing equipment is stored in the Conex (Thank you Bill), the runway is sealed (thank you Dan & Mark for your help), and the clubhouse is cleaned and ready to go for our winter months that include snow flying, our Snowbird fun-fly on Jan. 1, and/or just staying out of the cold! I am still finalizing our venue for our winter meetings starting in Jan. I'm also working on a guest speaker for one of the meetings, and as always show-and-tell with members bringing current or long time projects to share with other members. Please Note: our 2026 Club membership is now open for renewal and new membership till Feb. 28. Hope to see you out during the Holidays and want to wish all the MAS family a Happy Holiday season.

Happy flying, Be Safe.

Jack Dunkle

COMING EVENTS:

NO MEETINGS UNTIL JANUARY 2026

SNOWBIRD FLY-IN - JAN 1, 2026

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CLUB VICE PRESIDENT-SEAN SUTTON

From the Vice President...

No report..

Sean Sutton



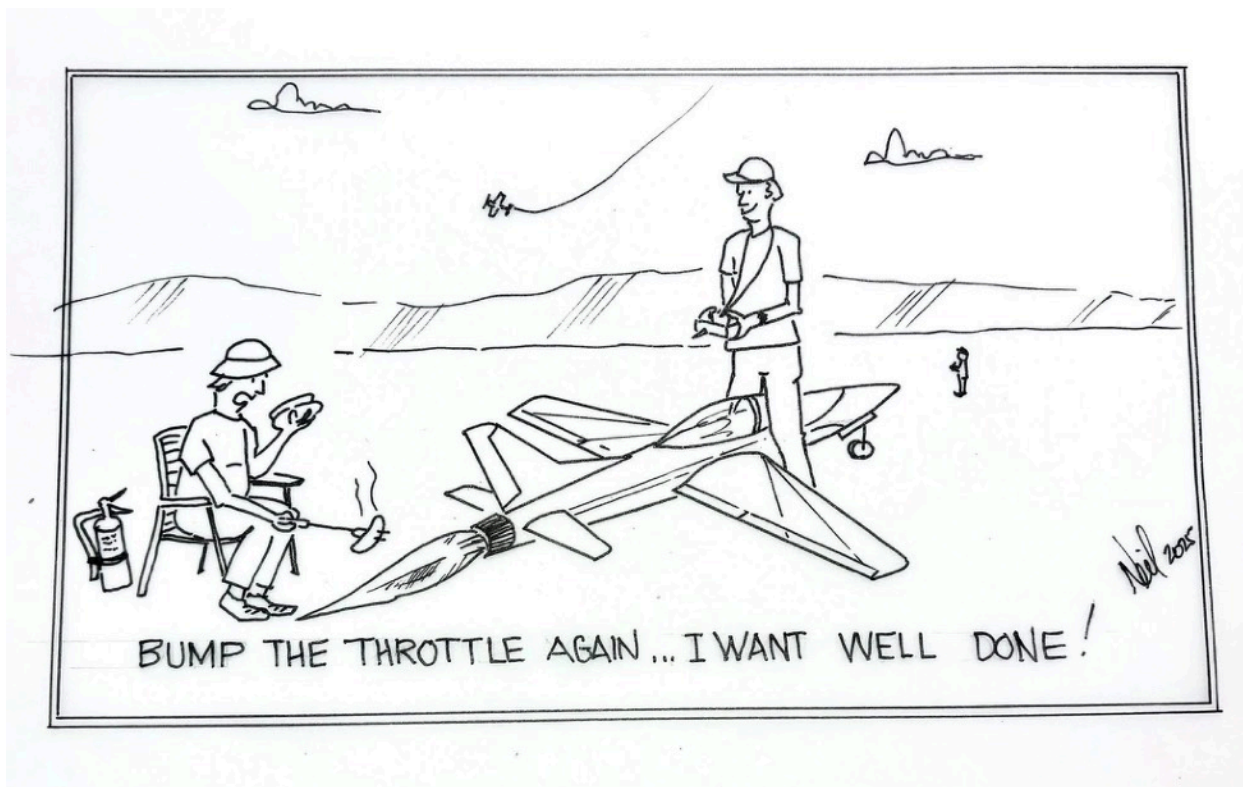
"It'll do loops, wingovers, slow rolls, Immelmans, lazy eights, spins and snap rolls . . . if and when I can get this engine started."

CLUB TREASURER-DAN BRANDENBURGER

From the Treasurer -

Two new members - Roland Banks and Roland Saffy, welcome!
Membership total at 59. Club finances continue to be in good shape all bills paid.

Dan



SAFETY OFFICER-KEN ROBERTS**SAFETY FIRST**

It is the responsibility of every RC pilot to put safety first in everything they do in the hobby. Spinning propellers can easily cause irreparable harm to fingers and other body parts. Model aircraft that can weigh anywhere from 2 to 20 pounds and fly at speeds from 25-75 mph (or faster) require steadfast concentration and often the support of helpers who act as spotters, advising the flyer of other planes or people in the vicinity. The layout of the flying field, designated no-fly areas, taxiing requirements, and fencing all provide additional protection for pilots and spectators alike. Most importantly, **Miniature Aero Sportsters (MAS)** strongly encourages flyers to always act safely and responsibly, creates frequent dialogue among club members to identify safety issues, and continually strives to make the field and its operation as safe as possible.

The Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) has a safety code to which MAS adheres. Additionally, the club has provided clarifications specific to Keffer Field.

A key element of MAS safety plan is the observation of unsafe conditions or behaviors, which are discussed at club meetings to mitigate any risk. These observations have led to recommendations that make specific model aircraft flying safer, maintain sufficient distance between flying aircraft and spectators, and instill prudent practices when starting up engines in the pit area and getting model aircraft to and from the runway.

Everyone is strongly encouraged to notify a club member or send an email to theminiatureaerosportsters@gmail.com should a hazardous condition exist at the field or a person's behavior compromises safety in any way.

Results of Turbine Restriction Survey

Thank you for your valuable response to the Turbine issue survey at MAS.

The Executive Board and Officers have thoroughly reviewed all the survey material and Board member input. This turbine issue presented several important considerations for MAS. The primary concerns for the board were our FAA airspace restrictions and the increased risk of fire that turbines pose at our flying site.

Consequently, the MAS board has unanimously decided to *ban all turbine-powered aircraft from our facility, effective immediately*, October 14, 2025.

**Note : For more detail on this matter, there will be a full copy of the meeting minutes and detailed decision-making process attached.

We appreciate your input and patience in this matter.

Best regards,
Jack Dunkle
President, MAS

To view the Board meeting minutes click here:

<https://miniatureaerosportsters.org/members-only/docs/>

Miniature Aero Sportsters Meeting Minutes / Oct 2025

Meeting was held on October 25, 2025, at the field and called to order at 9:30 am.

Attendees: 16

Club Officers' Present:

- Jack Dunkle (President)
- Dan Brandenburger (Secretary/Treasurer)

Board of Directors Present:

- Bob Salmon
- Mark Nicastle

Club Officers' Absent: Sean Sutton (Vice President)

Safety Officer Ken Roberts present: presented safety briefing.

Treasurer's Report given by Dan: 59 members. New year lease paid.

Old Business:

- Runway crack sealing project– Completed!
- Back-up web-site administrator access still being worked by Mike Feitinger (pending)
- **Turbine Issue – BOD of Directors Meeting completed on this subject. Vote was to ban Turbine flights at MAS. See meeting details posted on website.**
- First aid kit at the field being worked by Jack, coordination with Larry Ott. (pending)
- Club House Painting: Being worked by Jack and Sean. (pending)

New Business:

- Board of Directors / Club Officer nominations were presented and voted on at this meeting. Lee Overholt and Larry Ott were voted onto the BOD for 2026. Bob Salmon and Mark Nicastle remain on BOD. 2025 Club Officers remain for new year. Unanimous approval by members present.
 - Revisions to By Laws needed. Jack will coordinate meeting by the end of the year. Dan will ensure final product is delivered to AMA in the new year.
 - Charging difficulties noted at the field. Jack will coordinate fix. Funds approved for batteries.
- Motion to adjourn at 10:15 am.

*The club financials are not published in the minutes. Members in good standing may request specific information from the club treasurer directly.

The runway is in great shape for winter, the big cracks are filled so this should stop any major damage over the winter. We will do some touch up in the spring but it is currently in great shape. Thanks to Mark and Dan for there help.

Jack



Time to say goodbye...

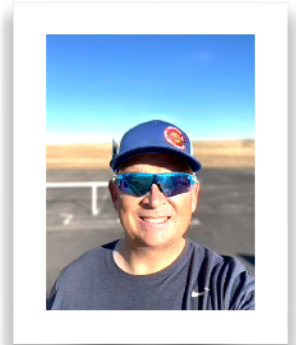
This month marks my official exit from the club, as my family and I have relocated to Middle Tennessee already back in March. I am no longer a club officer and no longer an active member of MAS.

I wanted to officially thank everyone for your support and goodwill during my tenure as Vice President, and President of the club. As we negotiated some interesting issues during that time, overall I feel we made the club a better place in the end. Many good times were had, and I did enjoy putting on the annual Open House event during those years!

I am now getting settled in the first new state I've ever lived in my lifetime, and it certainly is different! New flying clubs, new climate, and new opportunities! And man, there a lot of bugs here!

I wish you all continued good flying ahead and I will always miss the MAS club and airfield!

Thanks Ya'll! -Mike Feitinger



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