

# **Westerville Model Aeronautics Association**

## **Meeting Minutes**

### **April 13, 2026**

The meeting was called to order by club president Gary Smith at the Dinneen Field shelter house. Approximately 25 club members were present.

Minutes from the March 2026 meeting were read and approved.

The club treasury update was provided by the club president as the treasurer was absent. Bills are current, and the club treasury is in good shape with adequate funds in the checking account and CD accounts. At this time we have 83 members paid for 2026 and 3 members in inactive status. Club treasurer Greg Knight has communicated to Gary Smith that he would like to step down as club treasurer due to work time demands.

The club will be participating with the Hilliard Historical Society's America 250 celebration on Saturday April 25 with a static display and question and answer session at the Franklin County Fairgrounds. Club members are encouraged to bring any aircraft they would like to display and represent the club at this community outreach event. Please contact Gary Smith if you are able to participate.

WMAA Field Clean Up Day will be on Saturday May 2, getting started around 830 or so. Planned work includes the usual suspects of bush and tree trimming, mulching and trash pick up along Africa Road, in addition to sealing the set up benches, roolling the runway and an application of weed and feed to the runway and surrounding grass. The club will provide coffee and donuts.

WMAA will be hosting Cub Scout Pack 968 for their annual awards ceremony and rocket launch on Sunday May 17. The field will be closed to general flying from about 500 pm until 730 pm for the rocket launch. We will be doing some brief demo flights around 400 pm. Please contact Dave Dumond if you are interested in helping with the demo flights.

The club will host the 26<sup>th</sup> annual Columbus IMAC Challenge on Saturday May 23, and possibly Sunday May 24. The field will be closed to general flying during the competition. It is expected that some contestants may be at the field for practice on Friday May 22, but the field will be open to general flying that day.

The Spring Swap Meet and Fun Fly will be held on Saturday May 30. The event will officially get under way around 9 am or shortly before, and will follow the format used in the past for these events.

The club will host a Warbirds Fun Fly at Dinneen Field on Saturday September 26. Final details are still to be determined, and more information will be sent up in the near future.

The annual Corks vs WMAA Shoot Out will be hosted by CORKS at their field adjacent to Centerburg International Airport on Sunday August 2. More details will be sent out in the future.

The club has purchased a brick in memory of club member Jim Neal who passed away late last year for the AMA Walk of Fame. Cost of the memorial brick was covered by directed donations and from club general funds. A memorial certificate and letter from AMA was shared with club members and the certificate will be delivered to Ruth Neal.

Dates for 2026 club activities were reviewed

Static Display and possible flying at Franklin County Fairgrounds with Hilliard Historical Society, Saturday April 25, 2026, 10am until 4 pm.

Field Clean Up Day Saturday May 2  
Cub Scout Rocket Launch Sunday May 17  
Columbus IMAC Challenge Saturday May 23  
WMAA Spring Swap Meet and Fun Fly Saturday May 30  
Vintage RC Competition Saturday June 13 and Sunday June 14  
Club Potluck Cook Out Saturday June 27  
WMAA 2026 Library Day Saturday July 18  
CORKS/ WMAA Shoot Out Sunday August 2 CORKS Field  
Columbus Scale Classic Saturday August 15, Sunday August 16  
WMAA Fall Swap and Fun Fly Saturday September 12  
WMAA Fall Pylon Races and Combat Saturday September 19  
WMAA Warbirds Fun Fly Saturday September 26  
An additional spring pylon race and combat session may be added.

Upcoming RC events include the Lancaster Swap Meet April 25

The next meeting will be Monday May 11, 7 pm, at the church in Westerville

There being no further club business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted  
Dave Dumond  
WMAA Secretary