



AMA CHARTER CLUB #502
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**2026
Theme**
Fun, Flying &
Friendship

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2026 Summer Edition

Welcome to Summer 2026!

Welcome club members, we have reached the midway point of 2026! This has not been an ideal year for flying, hopefully the second half of the year will be better. Despite the weather we have made some forward progress with the club so read on to see what has been happening since our last edition of the Corsair Chronicle!



Your 2026 Club Officers

President - John Ashley



Treasurer - Terry Boser



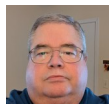
Field Manager - Brett McKay



V. President - Ned Brown



Secretary - Brett Walker



Safety Coord. - Donald Gregg



Trustee - Tony Bistransky
Trustee—Lowell Croskey



Presidents Report - By John Ashley

As I reflect on how we got here and where we go from here:

We exist as a family friendly model flying club to promote and educate the public about our hobby and sport. But more important to us individually our purpose is to provide a safe and secure flying space for our members.

To that end, we rely a lot on volunteers; and that should mean each and every one of us. Since our move to the Jetway Airport we have seen a dramatic improvement to our physical facilities... Mostly achieved by volunteers. But the job doesn't just stop there!

Now we have to maintain those facilities and continue to improve them. For that we need volunteers! ...Volunteer to help with mowing and maintenance... Volunteers to help put up tents and tables for our events,,, Volunteers to clean up and put things away... Volunteers to help with Training Night... Volunteers to serve as officers... You get the idea!

The volunteers doing these tasks, and more, need help and backup. The reward? The satisfaction and pride that goes with being part of a great team.

See a need? Step up! It will be appreciated by all your fellow members.



2027 Club Membership Dues

On October 1st we will start accepting renewal dues for 2027. All renewals will be required to fill out an updated application. You have the option to renew in person or on the club website. If you prefer not to use the online option please reach out to Terry or Brett for an application.

For an application email:

Brett Walker - Secretary
bwalker2251@spectrum.net

Or

Terry Boser - Treasurer
flytlbos@gmail.com



Cox Motor History

I came across this YouTube video while I was working on the new website and thought it was interesting to see the history and how they evolved.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WkuFTJB_SIU



Newsletter Trivia Contest

Cox Engine Trivia Question

A. To what tolerance were the Cox engines made to?

Send your answers to:

bwalker2251@spectrum.net

by Aug 5th.

Rules:

1. Membership dues must be current.
2. Can only win once in a calendar year.
3. Officers are not eligible (Pres, V. Pres, Treasurer, & Secretary).
4. Winner will be drawn from all correct responses at the club meeting.

**Winner will receive a
\$25 Gift Certificate to
Aero Tech Hobbies**



2026 Event Schedule

Our remaining events for 2026

Volunteers are needed, please help where you can.

Aug 22 - National Model Aviation Day

Aug 15 - Float Fly, Nemesilia Reservoir

Sept 12 - Float Fly, Nemesilia Reservoir

Sept 19 - Flying Pig



Safety Officers Report - Donald Gregg

Nothing to report this issue, however I will have a new article for the Fall newsletter, see you then!



Field Managers Report - Brett McKay

Our flying field and facilities are looking fantastic thanks to the hard work and generosity of several members. Here is a quick breakdown of recent improvements around the field and a look at our upcoming summer projects.



Field & Equipment Updates

- **New Plane Stands:** A huge thank you to the Thunderbirds for building **three excellent new plane stands** for the pits.
- **Field Rolling:** The runway has been **rolled twice** recently. One pass was done using **Tim's roller**, which is temporarily stored by the metal shed. Thank you, Tim, for letting us borrow it!
- **New Mower:** Our new mower runs, cuts, and rides great. It allows us to **cut the field much faster** than before.
- **John Deere Mower:** The transmission on the old John Deere is failing, so we will likely be **getting rid of it** soon.
- **Tick Treatment:** **Tick pellets** were applied in late April to help keep the grounds safe and comfortable.

Facility & Safety Improvements

- **Building Clean-up:** The outside of all club buildings has been **washed and cleaned up**.
- **Shed Reorganization:** All of our sheds have been **completely reorganized and cleaned out**.
- **Fire Safety:** We purchased **two new fire extinguishers**. You will find one hanging on a column inside each shelter.

Upcoming Summer Projects

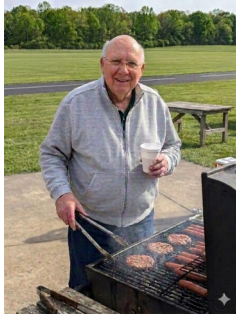
We still have a few maintenance goals to tackle later this season. We will need volunteers at some point this summer to help:

- **Repaint** the runway markings.
- **Repaint** the entry sign frame.

Thank you again to everyone who helps keep our field in top shape. See you out on the flight line!

2026 Club Picnic—Paintball Shoot

We had a great time even though we had to move it to Sunday.



Big thanks to Terry B. for pulling together a crew (Jim H, Hugh P, Amy P & Ned B) to setup the field and for grilling up the burgers & dogs.



Thank you to Hugh for providing and piloting the target aircraft for the paintball shoot.



July Float Fly

We finally got to have our first Float Fly of the year in July, we had nice weather and a great turn out.



Capt. Ned didn't see much activity, but glad we had him there.

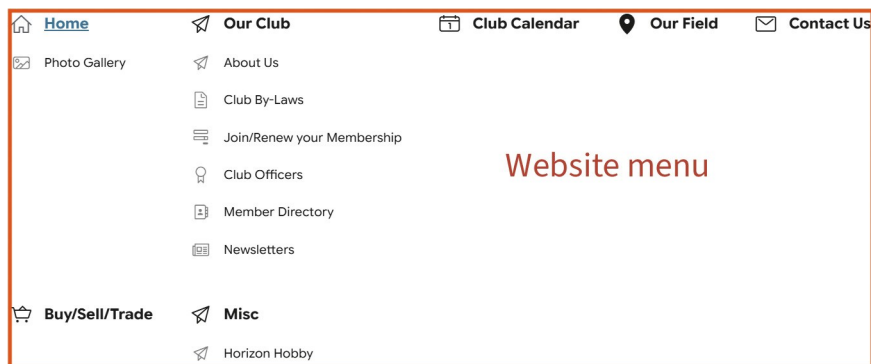


It's Here! The New Corsair Website

So what's NEW? In a word **EVERYTHING!**

Here are some of the highlights

- A more modern look
- Smartphone friendly
- Simple easy navigation
- 1 login 1 password
- Club roster updates automatically and will have historical data going forward
- Buy/Sell/Trade section
- **Renew/Join online** – this is the biggest addition



Secretary Report - By Brett Walker



Welcome everyone to the Summer edition of the Corsair Chronicle. The weather has not been our friend this year but we have managed to get a couple events in. With the lack of good flying weather this year we have had extra time to work on some administrative items. So the club officers met in June to review the club rules, club constitution, website, club events and their need for volunteers. Below is where we are on these topics.

Constitution & Rules – Proposed revisions were presented at the July meeting. The revisions were all agreed on, a formal copy of the revisions will be available for review at the August meeting, then will be voted on at the September meeting. As for the club rules we have to present the revisions to the Thunderbirds so they can review before we can finalize those (maybe @ Sept meeting).

Website – Hopefully you got my email on Saturday and have taken a look. If not please do, as you will see it is a complete overhaul. The email I sent out has the information on how to login, if you have issues logging in let me know and I will be glad to help. The biggest edition is you can now renew online. Above on page 6 is more information about the new website.

Volunteers/Events – To go along with John's article we need more people to step up and help out with the club, mainly events. We understand not everyone has the extra time to be at every event, hold an officers position etc... Events are where we could use the most help, with having 8 planned events a year and having the same 4-6 guys there to help is becoming to overwhelming. So we decided going into 2027 we will need a volunteer to head up each of our events with the exception of the Club Picnic and Flying Pig. If we don't get volunteers to coordinate each of the other events (5 Float Fly's & Model Aviation Day) we will have to forgo those events. If you would like to volunteer for one of the events let us know and we can provide what will be involved.

Volunteers/Officers – Terry has advised us that he will be stepping down at the end of the year as Treasurer, however he will still continue with the mowing crew. With that we have discussed combining the Secretary & Treasurer into 1 position starting in 2027. Based on the size of our club and reviewing other clubs our size that have this as a combined position this looks to be the best option and makes the most sense for us as well, unless someone would really like to be the Treasurer.

We would really like to have a strong club turnout for National Model Aviation Day on Aug 22, hope to see you all there.

Make sure you check out the short video link on the next page to see the history of Cox motors it is very interesting. Also, we had no responses to the trivia question in the Winter Edition newsletter so there was no winner. Make sure to respond for your chance at a \$25 gift card to Aero Tech Hobbies.

Well I better wrap this up for now, hope to see you at the next club meeting or on Thursday evening during our club fly night!



That's all for now!

See you in the next edition of the Corsair Chronicle