



# The Sunbeam

## President's Column by Craig Kreuger

PLEASE NOTE: Due to governmental elections taking place on the same night as our club meeting, our meeting has been re-scheduled to WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, AT 7:00 p.m., Dale Ross Board Room in the Ames Public Library.

At this meeting, we will be having our second discussion on setting dues for 2017. Your input at this meeting will be greatly appreciated. Vote by the membership will take place at our December meeting to set the dues for 2017.

Also, bring your board member nominations for next year. Elections will take place at the club's Holiday party December 13. More information to come.

At last month's meeting, information was given on costs presented to me from Consumers Energy, which services the area where our field is, and discussions followed on having electricity installed at the field. Good points, pro and con, were given by the 9 members present. In the end, vote was taken, with 8 of 9 members voting to table any action until a later date.

Take care,  
Craig

## Club

**NOVEMBER 9, WEDNESDAY 7:30 P.M.** Monthly meeting of the Central Iowa Aeromodelers. Meeting at the AMES PUBLIC LIBRARY, Dale Ross Board Room.. Proceed up stairs, then turn left 3 times!

**Expect discussions on dues and nominations for 2017 Executive Council**



Tom VanBeek shows his P-51 racer to Frank Annett and Wayne Hauber

## **A Note to Former Members**

**by Denny Goodrich**

We know where some of you are now and why you have chosen to go elsewhere. For the rest of you, we wish we knew what happened.

Your former buddies find themselves in a bit of a bind. We have one of the most beautiful flying sights imaginable and it takes a pretty constant annual amount to pay for it. But, of course, as a former member you already know that.

The bind comes now that membership has fallen to 20 or less. It has been estimated that at this level \$105 per person is needed to cover the annual costs. If a person really looked at the cost/benefit ratio of fun per dollar, many would find that to be an OK price to pay. For some reason that does not compute to some folks. Compare our hobby to others, such as golf. Have you ever priced out attending one professional baseball game? Don't even think about getting a season ticket at a NASCAR track (you have to add travel, food and lodging to that)!

So, we really would like to keep our dues as low as possible. We have been at \$70 for over 15 years. I could not find newsletters farther back than that. There are backup discs, but where the heck are they? I know: some backup. Lack of organization is one of my faults. Dedication is not: I have been doing a newsletter for most of the last 30 or more years.

The upshot of all this is that we would like you to start flying again, or return to flying at our field. We miss you. I miss you.

The concept of Greater Good is usually applied to civics and government. In my view, at the club level, dues are used for the Greater Good of the flyers, mainly so we can rent and maintain our really wonderful flying site.

## **November is Nomination Month**

The November meeting is when we make nominations for the Executive Council for next year.

Please bring a name forth for nominations. Members of the current board may not wish to serve again. Most have served for years. Please consider putting your name in nomination.



Two sweet sisters pose with Mark Taylor's P-61.

## The Central Iowa Aeromodelers

<http://centraliowaeromodelers.weebly.com/index.html>

This club has been established to promote all facets of the hobby/sport of model aviation and to provide assistance and fellowship for its members. AMA Charter 2091.

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### 2016 Central Iowa Aeromodelers Membership Form

Annual Dues: Open Member \$70 - Any Open AMA member.  
 Student \$35 - Full time college undergrad/school student of any capability  
 Family Membership \$70 - Includes spouse and all in household 18 & under.  
 Newsletter Subscription \$10 - For non members only.

NO REFUNDS ON DUES PAID

THESE DUES ARE ADDITIONAL TO ACADEMY OF MODEL AERONAUTICS MEMBERSHIP

<https://www.modelaircraft.org/joinrenew.aspx>

All except newsletter subscription require proof of current Academy of Model Aeronautics membership.

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