

MON VALLEY R/C CLUB

NEWSLETTER

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CEDAR CREEK PARK

AMA CHARTER CLUB NO. 546

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President's Corner

Happy New Year Fellow MVRC Members:

I am Mike Eiben and I have the privilege of serving as the president of the Mon Valley Radio Control Model Aviation Club for the 2016 calendar year.

At our first meeting held at the New Year's Day Fun Fly the members attending voted "Unanimously" to approve using the March For Parks funds to buy materials necessary to bring electricity to our field. The county park workers will begin to dig a trench and bury conduit soon. We can finish the project after the March For Parks. If we raise enough money in The March For Parks this year no funds from MVRC treasury will be needed to complete electrical hookup.

I would like to thank John Millard for being our March For Parks team leader this year. Please ask him how you can help!

The FAA has required all pilots of small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS) to register with the FAA by February 19, 2016. This includes all aircraft from .55 pounds to 55 pounds. This includes Drones, Helicopters, and Fixed Wing Aircraft. If you are going to fly a model acquired after December 21, 2015 you must be registered before flight. BE AWARE OF SCAM SITES!

The AMA has suggested that you delay registration until they have fully considered all legal and political remedies surrounding this issue.

The penalties of non-compliance are severe. "Failure to register an unmanned aircraft may result in regulatory and criminal sanctions of up to \$27,500 and criminal penalties of up to \$250,000 and/or imprisonment for up to three years."

Register at www.faa.gov/uas/registration/

Several club members expressed interest in having a Night Fly event where we could fly small (under 5 pounds) electric aircraft with lights for a few hours after dark. I will pursue getting permission with park officials. Events like this will add a new dimension to a constantly growing hobby.

May our days be sunny and calm,

Mike Eiben,
President

Fellow MVRC Members:

This year marks the third time that the Westmoreland County Department of Parks & Recreation has expanded the March For Parks fundraiser to Cedar Creek Park.

Many improvements have been made to our field over the past few years. The parking lot has been extended, trees have been cut down, a permanent restroom has been installed, there has been asphalt and concrete work done, and the low spot in the left-center of the runway has been raised. We have desired to bring electrical service to our field for many years. The time is at hand. The conduit has been ordered and installation will begin when it arrives provided the ground is not frozen.

The quote for bringing electricity to the field is approximately \$11,000. Please keep in mind the Department of Parks and Recreation is providing us with FREE LABOR. I don't want to think of how much this would cost us if we had to pay for labor.

With the county's help and successful fundraising we could be building a new pilots shelter soon.

I am asking that our members please support March For Parks fundraising efforts. It is the key to future field improvements.

Attached are handouts (Package of introduction letter, incentives, and explanation of incentives) to be used for solicitation of donations.

A lot can happen with hard work and money,

Mike Eiben

YOUR VOTE
is needed at the next MVRC Meeting
March 4.

RE: MARCH FOR PARKS DONATION

March For Parks Sponsorship Levels & Incentives

Sponsorship Levels

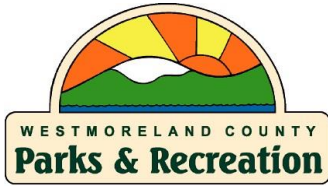
Incentives	Deadline	\$5,000	\$3,000	\$1,000	\$500	\$250
1. T-Shirt Logo (front)	March 1	X				
2. T-Shirt Logo (back)	March 1		X	X		
3. Sign at March (logo)	March 11	X	X	X	X	X
4. Website	Anytime	X	X	X	X	X
5. Table at all Three Marches	March 11	X	X			
6. Table at One March	March 11			X	X	
7. Guidepost (Text Only)	Anytime			X	X	X
8. Guidepost (Logo)	Anytime	X	X			
9. Guidepost (1/4 pg. ad)	March 11	X				
10. Guidepost (1/8 pg. ad)	March 11		X			
11. Flyer Logo	January 15	X	X	X		
12. Brochure Logo	January 15	X	X	X		
13. Mention in all Ads/Releases	March 1	X	X			

Detailed explanation of all sponsor incentives on back

Updated 10/15

Explanation of Sponsor Incentives

- 1. T-Shirt Logo (Front)** - Every Marcher that raises \$25 earns a March For Parks T-Shirt. As a Signature Sponsor, your company logo will appear prominently on the front of the shirt.
- 2. T-Shirt Logo (Back)** - Every Marcher that raises \$25 earns a March For Parks T-Shirt. Your company's logo will appear prominently on the back of the shirt.
- 3. Sign at March** - Your company's logo or name will appear on a sign outlining the event details at each March and will be displayed at various parks after the March for a period of time.
- 4. Website** - We will publicly recognize you as a sponsor on our Westmoreland County Parks and Recreation website: www.co.westmoreland.pa.us/parks
- 5. Table at all 3 Marches** - You are entitled to set up an informational table at all 3 of the Marches (Twin Lakes, Cedar Creek and Murrysville)
- 6. Table at One March** - You are entitled to set up an informational table at the March of your choice.
- 7. Guidepost (Text Only)** - In late April, the County Parks staff publishes the **Guidepost**, a 28-page color guide to the County Parks. Approx. 110,000 distribution via the Tribune-Review. Your company/group will be recognized as a sponsor of the March in a text listing in this issue.
- 8. Guidepost (Logo)** - In late April, the County Parks staff publishes the **Guidepost**, a 28-page color guide to the County Parks. Approx. 110,000 distribution via the Tribune-Review. Your company/group logo will appear as a sponsor of the March in this issue.
- 9. Guidepost (1/4 pg. ad—\$775 value)** - In late April, the County Parks staff publishes the **Guidepost**, a 28-page color guide to the County Parks. Approx. 110,000 distribution via the TribuneReview. Your company/group logo will appear as a sponsor of the March in this issue. As a Signature Sponsor, you will receive a 1/4 pg. ad (approx. 4.5" x 5.5") in this issue.
- 10. Guidepost (1/8 pg. ad—\$430 value)** - In late April, the County Parks staff publishes the **Guidepost**, a 28-page color guide to the County Parks. Approx. 110,000 distribution via the TribuneReview. Your company/group logo will appear as a sponsor of the March in this issue. Also, you will receive a 1/8 pg. ad (approx. 3" x 4") in this issue.
- 11. Flyer Logo** - Your logo will appear on the event flyer.
- 12. Brochure Logo** - Your logo will appear on the March for Parks registration brochure, our main marketing piece.
- 13. Mention in all ads/releases** - You will be recognized as a sponsor of the March in all press releases and advertisements in print and radio.



March for Parks 2016 Sponsor Order Form



Business Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Level of Sponsorship: _____

Please make checks payable to: CAB Growth Fund

OR In-Kind Donation: _____

Valued at: _____

Any special requests? _____

Please email logo to Lauren Jones at ljones@co.westmoreland.pa.us as soon as possible!

If you have any questions, please contact
Marty McGuire, Funding Coordinator at (724) 875-
4334 email: marty1254@comcast.net

Please return this Sponsor Order Form to:

March for Parks Sponsor Contact Form
Attn: Lauren
194 Donohoe Road
Greensburg, PA 15601
Fax: (724) 830-3969
Email: ljones@co.westmoreland.pa.us



COMEDY NIGHT

A Night of Laugh Out Loud Fun!

Proceeds Benefit Westmoreland County
Parks and Trails Projects

FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 2016

6:00PM-9:30PM

Youngwood VFD Hall

Dinner by Leo & Sons Grille 31

Tickets \$30 per person

Ages 21 and up

Tickets must be purchased in advance!

Groups of 10 or more can reserve tables

**Tickets available at the
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Sunday February 21st, 2016

Pleasant Unity Fire Hall

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ALL AGES / CHINESE AUCTION / 50-50

All proceeds benefit "Brian's Brigade" team contributions to the
2016 March for Parks (CAB Growth Fund)

This year's funds are specifically designated to enhance the
Brian T. Rusnock Amphitheater and help
fund the Summer Concert Series.

For more information visit www.facebook.com/BriansBrigadeBandFest or call 724-423-8077

Executive Committee's Report

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

2016

Rick Altomari
James Cannon
Mark Szemanski
Jack Makepeace
Rich Wojnar
Bob Haden

Mon Valley RC January Meeting Minutes.

The meeting was called to order January 1, 2016 at 11.02am with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Officers in attendance were President, Vice president, treasurer and secretary.

Executive committee members in attendance were Bob Haden, Jack Makepeace

Treasurer reported dues was still coming in and the balance to date is financially sound.

Old Business:

Mike Eben presented the members with the opportunity to begin the process of getting electric at the field.

The park needs permission to use the funds we have raised from the march for parks to begin the process.

We have the total cost of the project. Please see Mike for more details.

We have money in MfP funds, separate from of general clubs funds.

The park has committed to paying a portion of the project and needs the club to commit funding as well for the project IF needed. That amount can come from 2016 MfP funds.

A motion was made to move forward with the electric project, to release the MfP funds and to commit additional money if needed to complete the project. Please see Mike for the details.

Mike B re-stated that once this vote was taken that we were committed to the electric project, a minimum monthly fee was discussed. The monthly fee could be charged based on usage.

The need to make a decision on electric was circulated to the membership prior to meeting, 24 members were in attendance.

The motion carried with 24 affirmative votes and none opposed.

New Business:

Al discussed that the Westmorland Land Trust wants to have a RC display in mid-May.

Rick A discussed talks with the park officials about a real possibility of getting a new pavilion built by the park, Executive committee to discuss and task options.

New FAA registrations were discussed, as of now all members must register by Feb. 19, 2016 to obtain a certificate to fly ANY model over 55 pounds: that's a half pound or larger.

John M discussed March fo Parks MfP fundraising opportunities.

Filing an annual flight plan with the Rostraver Airport and/or Westmorland/ Local district FAA was discussed.

Jack Lynskey was voted in new member.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:25am.

FEBRUARY 5 MVRC MEETING



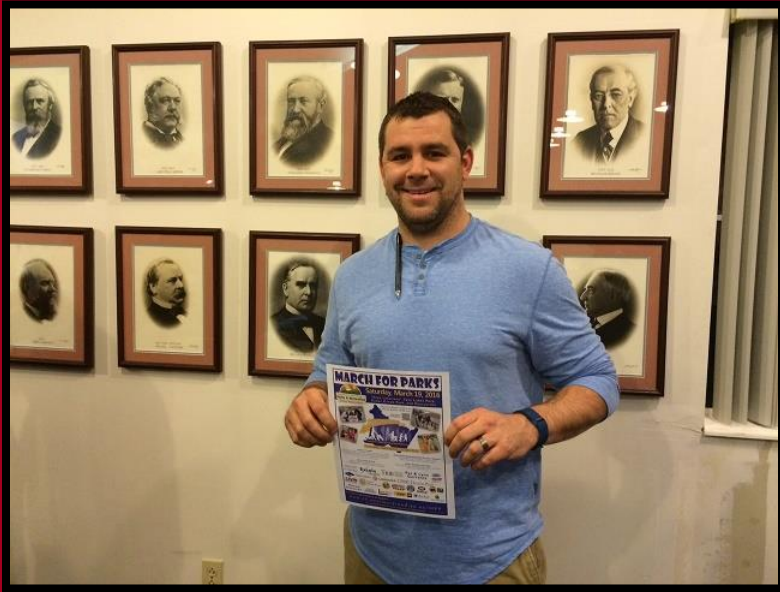
MVRC members focused on meeting hot topic of the moment!!



Show and Tell

Lew Marascalco presented his custom built 455mm multi-rotor based on the popular Immersion RC Vortex 285mm FPV Racer. Frame is made from Basswood with epoxy resin coating, white primer and Krylon Red/Orange final color coat. Flight Controller is Open Pilot CC3D. Motors are 1200kv with 8x4.5 props. Primary purpose will be for fun flying with no on-board camera or FPV setup.

FEBRUARY 5 MVRC MEETING



Brandon Simpson, guest speaker, making presentation about the March for Parks program.



Brandon Simpson, Program Coordinator of the Westmoreland County Department of Parks and Recreation, discussed the March for Parks program. He covered its history, accomplishments and plans. He also distributed brochures for the upcoming March 19 event.

HAPPY VETERANS DAY
A SALUTE TO OUR MON VALLEY RC CLUB MILITARY
MEMBERS
WE SALUTE YOU!!! THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

This page will remain active in all of our newsletters in order to give our veterans enough time to locate photos from the time period when they served in the military. As we receive their photos, we will post them on this page.

To us, Veteran's Day is every day!!

Important Dates:



February

2 – Groundhog Day – Great job, Phil!

5 – MVRC Meeting – If you can find time to attend as many meetings as you can this year, your input will better serve our club. Meetings are held at 7:30 PM at the Rostraver Municipal Building.

14 – Valentine's Day - A special thanks to our families and friends for understanding and accepting how important it is for us to have the time to fly. Your support means so much to us!

15 – President's Day



March

4 – MVRC Meeting – If you can find time to attend as many meetings as you can this year, your input will better serve our club. Meetings are held at 7:30 PM at the Rostraver Municipal Building. Members will be voting on two separate items during this meeting.

13 – Daylight Savings Time Starts (move clocks ahead 1 hour)

27- Happy Easter

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

New members must attend the first meeting after submitting their application to join the club.

All members should have a current copy of the MVRC Club Bylaws. If you would like a copy of the Bylaws, please notify Mike Bunardzya.

From the Editor

Let me begin by wishing everyone and their loved ones the happiest of New Years. Now that we conducted our first meeting on a chilly New Year's Day it is time to get on with our winter projects. Before you know it we will be sitting under our canopies in order to avoid the harsh sun rays.

We have a great deal to look forward to as we enter the new year. We have a great group of folks who are running the club. The field never looked better, airframe technology is on the cutting edge, our membership is increasing, and electricity is on its way. These are just a few of the areas we have to be proud about. Speaking about the folks running the club I would like to congratulate our new club officers: Mike Eiben (President), Al Kozusko (Vice President), and Mike Bunardzyna (Secretary). Ron Doctorick will remain as our Treasurer.

We all have to wish Janet Pogue, our past Secretary, our best wishes. She gave a great deal of her time to our club for over sixteen years.

We also have added two new members to the Executive Committee: Bob Hayden and Rich Wojnar. As many of you are aware of I am the Commander of the American Legion Post 712 in Pleasant Hills. The reason I bring that up is if you read any of the Post's newsletters I really promote the idea of surrounding myself with "can do" people. "Can do" people with positive attitudes "make it happen". Well, we have many "can do" people in our club. Many ideas are exchanged and our club officers are constantly looking out for the betterment of our members as well as for the club.

I am truly honored to be your club newsletter Editor as well as serving on the Executive Committee. My New Year's resolution I promise to devote tireless amounts of my time and energy to do my part to make our club the envy of all clubs. To me, this is an easy resolution as we have the right people to be successful. We have a field that is second to none!

As always, we support our troops,

Rich



Classified Section

Please send the information you would like to post in this section for inclusion in the next newsletter to richardwojnar@yahoo.com by February 26.

You might also desire to attach a photo of your item(s) and your contact information as well.

FOR SALE: 1/4 Scale Balsa USA Piper Cub. The fuselage is built and covered with Cub Yellow Solartex fabric. The wings are built but not yet covered. It includes Robart scale landing gear (\$150.00 value), a scale interior kit, Fiberglass Specialties scale cowl and scale Piper Cub Wheels. I will also include a Saito 120 and extra Solartex covering, scale rib stitching tape and pinking tape.

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NEW YEAR'S 2016 FUN FLY AND MEETING



**THANK YOU
Janet Poague
MVRC SECRETARY 16 YEARS**



**AL KOSZUSKO – FIRST PILOT FOR 2016 – MVRC CLUB
Congratulations, AL!**





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