

# MON VALLEY R/C CLUB

## NEWSLETTER

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# CEDAR CREEK PARK

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## President's Corner

Fellow MVRC Members:

Happy New Year MVRC members. 2015 club planning is already in full swing. MVRC Club meetings (first Friday of each month) will have special presentations. We are planning to have “build an airplane from scratch using foam”, “understanding batteries”, “All about RC electric motors”, “how does an RC jet engine work”, “a panel to answer any RC questions”, and much more to come.

Another key item we are planning is the “March For Parks”. Mike Eiben is the March For Parks TEAM leader for the MonValley RC Club. There is so much discussion about the March For Parks because it is the key event that provides for our airfield improvements. Over the past couple of years we have had a lot of support from the Park. Here is a quick summary of what the Park has provided our airfield: twenty year lease, water, new seating at the shelter, runway extension and major surface build up, tree removal, parking extension, concrete parking bumpers, no charge for rental of the ball parks and shelters during special flying events, night flying for special events, free tents with assembly and disassembly labor, free storage for our lawn mowers, and much more. We are in constant communication with the staff at Westmoreland County Parks. They want to help us but it is up to us to show them how much we need their help. Our participation with the March For Parks is vital for our airfield improvements. Please see Mike Eiben for any questions and how you can provide support.

The next time you see the following people please extend your special thanks for volunteering:

**The Executive Committee (EC) members include:** Rick Altomari, Steve Novacek, Erik Strauser, Mark Szemanski, Jim Cannon and Jack Makepeace.

**The purpose and function of the EC is:**

- a) to meet monthly and work closely with the officers to act as a steering committee in making recommendations on club matters for the good and welfare of the organization,
- b) to verify the regularly-updated club membership roster and ensure availability of same to all club members, and
- c) to serve as a mediation and jurisdiction body on issues such as disputes, transgressions of club bylaws, and membership status.

**The following club officers include:** President Al Kozusko, Vice President Mike Eiben, Secretary Janet Poague, and Treasurer Ron Doctorrick

**Special member posts include:**

Newsletter Editor Richard Wojnar, Field Director Rick Altomari, Webmaster Dave Herrington, Safety Officer Mike Eiben, EAA Representative Lew Marascalco, Giant Scale Contest Director Nick Carrozza.

It was a great turnout for the 2015 January Fun Fly. Although it was cold and windy the sun was shining and some pilots actually flew. We had more than 30 attendees and a great meeting. The next meeting is February 6 at the Rostraver Municipal Building at 7:30 pm.

Keep healthy, be safe, have fun flying!

**Al Kozusko, president**

## Secretary's Report

No report

## Executive Committee's Report

No report



# Young Students (Potential Pilots) and AMA Programs to Benefit MVRC Club

A Must Read by **Leo Rodriguez**

AMA District III AVP



Hope everyone had a great and enjoyable Holidays and Happy New Years. Now that the holidays are over and kids are about ready to get back to school, hopefully everyone can concentrate on getting back to building and finishing up that favorite model you want to get ready for the next flying season. If you get a chance and feel like surfing the Internet during your breaks, check out the site below for some good info on UAV's and public education on recreational users. AMA joins the AUVSI and Small UAV Coalition in launching "Know Before You Fly" Campaign. In an effort to promote safe and responsible flying, the AMA, AUVSI and the Small UAV Coalition in partnership with the FAA, have launched the "Know Before You Fly" Campaign. More information, and the official press release announcing the launch of the campaign can be found on the campaign website, <http://www.knowbeforeyoufly.org>. [\(active link\)](#)

In case you didn't know, I just wanted to let the young students and potential pilots out there to know that (joining) AMA Membership is FREE for youths up to age 19. [Periodicals, such as \(12 Issues\) Model Aviation Magazine is \\$9.95 and Park Pilot Magazine is \\$15.00. Your cost for both magazines is \\$19.95](#) [\(active link\)](#). The same is true for the EAA, also for full scale interests.

In case you didn't know, the AMA has money to give to our club! I want to inform you about two programs. One is the Flying site development program, which I would recommend we submit for to get funds toward club improvements to the flying field and facilities of up to 10% for up to \$4000 total. Money can be used for anything from the pavilion expansion, we were recently talking about doing to more gravel, field improvements, etc. Application deadline is March 1, 2015. I will submit it to the Vice President, Mark Radcliff, for him to submit it to the committee. The other program is called TAG. **Take Off and Grow (TAG)**, a program to help newcomers to the hobby by either inviting the community to fly with buddy boxes on our club trainer, inviting the community to our Giant Scale Flying, having a Mall show, National Model Aviation Day, etc. Funds are available for such events, but the deadline is coming fast – February 1, 2015.

Well, got to get back to building and getting the shop straightened out again. Thanks and looking forward to a great and safe flying season for all in 2015!

Leo Rodriguez

AMA Dist. III AVP

[AMA District III Website](#) [\(active link\)](#)

# 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!!



## Our U.S. Army Veteran

E-5 (Sgt.) Joe Falana

157<sup>th</sup>. Mechanized Infantry Division

MOS- 12F Tank and Heavy Equipment  
Operator (active link)

1986-1992



*Gulf War Veteran*

## Our U.S. Army/ U.S. Air Force Veteran

MSgt. Rich Wojnar  
Six years Army Security Agency  
Specialist Fifth Class  
Signal Intelligence

Battlefield Deception  
Staff Sergeant

Seventeen years U. S. Air Force  
32nd Aerial Port Squadron  
C-130 Rigger  
Master Sergeant



## Our U.S. Navy Veteran

LCDR Linda Wojnar  
Navy Nurse Corp.  
1990-2005 (6 yrs. IRR)

Gulf War Era



Military Hat Website for Hats in Photos - <http://www.priorservice.com>



# In Memory of Charles “Butch” Kaboly

Please Remember “Butch” Our Fallen Pilot,  
Charles “Butch” Kaboly, When Flying in  
2015.

**MVRC Field Photo – Remembering Our Pilot and the Field  
Where He Loved to Fly!**

# CHRISTMAS PARTY – December 14





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# NEW YEAR'S DAY 2015 – FUN FLY



The sun shines bright on our Rostraver home.



I think I spotted Big Foot!



Gather around to keep the plane warm!



Nothing can stop our monthly meetings!



Ron gives the Treasure's Report.



Everyone came dressed for the occasion.



# NEW YEAR'S DAY 2015 – FUN FLY



Leo goes through his pre-check!



Nothing will stop these avid flyers!



I think it will start this time!



Too windy today for all plane types!



Wind or not it's ready to go!



Freezing weather but a full house!



# NEW YEAR'S DAY 2015 – FUN FLY



I think my pants are on fire!



Even the youngest pilot braved the cold.



Looks like a warm sunny day, but looks can be deceiving!



Pete, I think the engine fell out!



I don't think the wind will stop this jet.



## Important Dates:

### January



**19 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**

**31 – Executive Meeting – Rostraver Airport – 9:30 am.**

### February



**2 – Groundhog Day – Good Luck, Phil!**

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

**14 – Valentine's Day** - A special thanks to our family 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!

**16 – President's Day**

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

*No New Members Reported*

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

## From the Editor

As we begin another great flying season, Linda and I want to wish everyone the happiest of New Years. We ended 2014 with an excellent Christmas dinner at the Cedarbrook Golf Club. We began 2015 with a very successful Fun Fly!

My resolution for the New Year is to make every newsletter better than the previous one. A few of the housekeeping issues ahead are to kick off certain sections of the newsletter (not in any special order).

The **Classified Section** is just getting started this month. We need your input to keep this section moving forward. Many of you have or want specific items. If you have any items you do not plan to use, please consider sending information to me to put into the Classified Section. Before making a store purchase, check out this section to see if any of the items posted meet your wants and needs. Sending in photos of the items you would like to sell will also add clarity and value to this section.

I am also interested in asking members to post your feelings about your purchases. Maybe you read something about a product in a magazine or journal which caused you to purchase a certain item. Did your purchase exceed your expectations or cause you to become disappointed in the purchase? If so, sharing your thoughts with other members of the MVRC Club are an important contribution to everyone's knowledge. This information would be posted in the **Product Review Section**.

As a veteran myself, I realize it is difficult to write about yourself. Your contribution to the **Veterans Section** of the newsletter is very important. We have received a lot of positive feedback from readers within our club and also from folks outside our club regarding this addition to the newsletter. We are trying to obtain an accurate account of all veterans in the club. Please take an additional moment to look for photographs or to write something about yourself regarding your military service. My goal is to list all of the veterans in our club by Veterans Day. Can you help us, please?

As we look out our doors and windows, we are consciously made aware of the weather elements that are limiting our flying this month and that we look to alternative flying hobbies to keep us involved in our passion of flying. Winter is the time for repairing and building. The newsletter is the ideal place to share your projects, giving us a preview of what we may see when the weather improves. Your projects also create sparks to keep our own ideas flowing, stimulating our creative thinking for projects we may not have considered on our own. Keep in mind there are many new flyers in the club. What you have learned through experience through trial-and-error or by someone share knowledge with you is important. Sharing knowledge is the KEY to keeping this hobby alive! We'd love to start a **Winter Project ...In The Wings Section**.

OK, enough of the small talk! Let's get back to building and working on our projects!

Stay warm and as always, we support our troops!

Rich

## Education Section: Test and Expand Your RC Knowledge

### You-Tube Video/ Internet Link Sections:

Do you have any online videos or Internet links that you found to be interesting and helpful to you – ones you would like to share? Please send your videos to the newsletter editor for publication in the next newsletter.

Note: If you click on a link and the link does not take you directly to the website, hold the CTRL Key (Control Key) on your computer with your left index finger while simultaneously clicking the highlighted link with your mouse.



<a href="#">TAG</a>	TAG (Take Off and Grow) as per Leo Rodriguez's Article
<a href="#">President's Day – Holidays – History Channel</a>	Articles and Videos re: President's Day Do you know the origin of President's Day?
<a href="#">Martin Luther King – History Channel</a>	What you may not know about Martin Luther King, Jr.
<a href="#">Beginner Series – Choosing a Plane</a>	Flite Test
<a href="#">RC Planes for Beginners – Launching and Landing</a>	Flite Test - You-Tube Video
<a href="#">RC Planes for Beginners – Power System</a>	Flite Test – You-Tube Video

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### **Club Trivia Question**

*Who was the first member of the MVRC Club to fly the first flight in 2015?*



*Answer is on the last page of the newsletter – Page 22.*

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Rich's Kitchen  
New Year's Day - Cooking...  
Lobster Tails and Special Garlic Butter Recipes

This photo displays two typical lobster tails that are ready to be prepared for broiling. If you purchase frozen tails, which works well for me, let them thaw out in cool water until they are defrosted.



While using lobster shears, although your kitchen shears will work just as well, place one scissor edge between the meat and the hard shell. Then, carefully cut to the rear of the tail. Repeat the same process on the other side of the tail. Once the cutting on both sides are complete, carefully trim off the hard shell.



Gently separate the lobster meat from the tail.



Carefully trim the meat from the shell and separate the meat from the shell as shown in the photo.



Soak the tails in lightly salted salt water in order for them to have a fresh scent.



Flip the lobster meat over. Using a knife or cleaver, make a cut halfway through the meat lengthwise. Do not cut all the way through the lobster!



Now make three cuts along the sides of the meat while not cutting all the way through. These cuts will keep the lobster meat from curling up in the broiler.



This is what the end result should look like.





Now, wrap the lobster shells in foil in order that they do not burn under the broiler. Broil the tails until the peaks of the meat is browned. I then turn them over and repeat the process on the second side. On each side, and halfway through the process, baste the tails with butter using a basting brush.



This is my finished product. Lobster tail stuffed with crab meat. Side dish includes a baked potato with butter and sour cream topped with chives and bacon bits.



### *Butter Sauce Recipe:*

I usually do not measure many ingredients on the recipes I make frequently. I rely on taste and looks. However, when baking I do measure all ingredients. In a small sauce pan add one stick butter. To the butter add approximately one quarter cup of half and half. You can use milk, but half and half will make the sauce creamier. To this mixture add a dash of garlic salt, a dash of white pepper, and I use a dash of Accent. You can also use regular salt instead of garlic salt, but you will need to add garlic powder. You can also make a garlic paste using garlic cloves and we will address this method in a future recipe. Add parsley to taste and stir constantly while not allowing the butter to “break”. Constantly taste while stirring and be careful not to add too much salt. If you prefer Drawn Butter then add one stick of butter in the top of a double broiler. Simmer approximately 7 minutes then set aside to cool. The milk solids will rise to the top and the whey will collect at the bottom. Skim off the milk solids with a spoon and pour out the drawn butter while being careful not to include the watery liquid at the bottom. Bon Appetite!

*Comments:* I worked at the very high end Redwood Restaurant in Donora for four and a half years under the tutelage of the extraordinary Leon Rongaus. This man was years ahead of his time and began my love for fine cooking. Lee passed away at 4am March 21, 2011 at the age of 93. *Thank you, Lee!*

*In February's Newsletter,* you can look forward to my special meatball recipe.

When you try my recipes, please send feedback to me.



## Classified Section

Please send the information you would like to post in this section for inclusion in the next newsletter to [richardwojnar@yahoo.com](mailto:richardwojnar@yahoo.com) by February 5.

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



I have a like new DLE 30 with the bowman ring and carb work done. I also have the RC excel ignition and a Xoar Prop which I believe is a 19 inch. I am asking \$200.00 or obo.

Nate can be reached at [fordman213@gmail.com](mailto:fordman213@gmail.com) or at 724-562-8088.



Center of Gravity Stands constructed, painted, and cemented to your specifications. Standard stands are 18 ½ inches long, 11 ½ inches wide, and 12 inches high. The center of gravity posts are 11 inches apart and can be swung out to 22 inches apart. The stands are constructed using ¾ inch pvc pipe, painted to your specifications, and then cemented. The paint I use is Rustoleum High Intensity plastic paint. The stands are priced at \$25.00 per stand. I can be reached at [richardwojnar@yahoo.com](mailto:richardwojnar@yahoo.com) or 412-657-8420.

Aircraft stands are constructed, painted, and cemented to your specifications. Standard stands are 33 inches long, 17 inches high, and 11 inches wide. Stands are constructed using ¾ inch pvc pipe, and painted to your specifications while using Rustoleum High Intensity plastic paint. The cost for the standard stand is \$55.00 per unit. I can be reached at [richardwojnar@yahoo.com](mailto:richardwojnar@yahoo.com) or 412-657-8420.





Up for sale is my untouched, rarely used Hyperion EOS 0720i Super Duo3 Charger. Comes with an additional 4 Hyperion battery temp. sensors; Two (2) Progressive R/C parallel balance boards; and a Very Nice quiet 33 amp Progressive R/C Power Supply PS-350 that's Over \$100 by itself!

The 0720i Super Duo provides a wide feature set, including a 20 amp charge rate and 500 Watts of power per side – with 1000 Watts available in Sync mode... making this one of the most powerful chargers available! 7S batteries can be charged effortlessly, but when Sync mode is enabled you have the power to charge batteries up to 14S at your fingertips, with proven Hyperion reliability!

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- Firmware Upgradeable
- TCS System
- Sync Mode for Li-Poly & LiFe
- Includes two (2) PQ/HP and two (2) JST XH Adapter Boards



**Note:**

A 24V, 1300W power source is required to supply 1000 Watt output.

Asking \$350 for Everything.

Contact: Leo Rodriguez at [lrodriguez@verizon.net](mailto:lrodriguez@verizon.net)



Ron is busy this winter season building his Hurricane Jet. The photo to your right is the air line installation.



This photo depicts the power packs and turbine wiring harness.



This photo depicts Ron working on the fuel system which includes its three tanks, the fuel pump, the ECU, and all the wiring. This is going to be a great project to monitor in future newsletters!





## J & C Hobbies Website



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(EXCEPT R/C CARS)  
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*Did you know the answer to the club trivia question?*

*Ron Doctorick* was the first MVRC Club Member to fly the first flight in 2015.



*If you have a club trivia question, please send the question and the answer to the editor.*

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