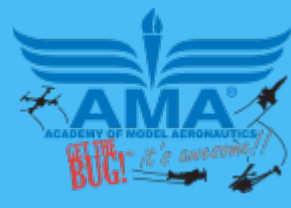


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Harmful Provisions on Model Aircraft Remain in Senate

With your assistance the Senate incorporated many of our suggestions into the FAA reauthorization bill, but today we learned that the Senate did not pass all of our amendments. One of the provisions would still require hobbyists to who build their own models at home to meet FAA design and production standards. The new legislation also potentially jeopardizes hundreds of flying sites within five miles of an airport. While this is disappointing, we still have other opportunities to shape the final legislation. We ask our members to continue to regularly monitor your email, our website, and the AMA blogs because we may need your help again in the near future. Learn more about the bill by clicking the link below.

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US to host 2018 FAI F1D World Championship

The Academy of Model Aeronautics is pleased to announce that during the FAI/CIAM Plenary meeting in Lausanne, Switzerland, the US was selected to host the 2018 FAI F1D World Championship for Indoor Model Aircraft competition. The contest will be held March 18-23, 2018, at the West Baden Springs Hotel, in West Baden, IN. The atrium of the West Baden Springs Hotel has been the site of numerous national and international Indoor Duration contests, including the 1980 F1D Indoor World Championship.

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"Fostering an Active Flying Club in the Modern Era"

As the founder and chief flight instructor at 1st U.S. R/C Flight School, Dave Scott has visited countless flying fields in his career. In the May issue of *Model Aviation*, Dave shares what successful clubs have in common and provides aspects that struggling clubs can focus on to improve.

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Club Officers: Is your club ready for the flying season?

No matter the circumstance, we can help your club reestablish its charter if your club is running behind on renewing for 2016. Please submit your renewal forms as soon as possible so that we can take the necessary steps to update your club's charter and, if applicable, issue a certificate of insurance for your flying site's owner. If your club has disbanded, please send us a short note to add to our files.

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Digital coverage of the Weak Signals Toledo Show

2016 marked an incredible 62 years of The Toledo Show: R/C Model Expo, held in Toledo, OH. The self-proclaimed "Greatest RC Show" didn't disappoint this year with vendors from across the country showing off their latest products, and guests from around the world looking for something to take home with them.

If you were unable to attend this year's show, check out some of the more than 25 video interviews conducted by *Model Aviation* Editor-in-Chief, Jay Smith, to find out what you missed.

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AMA Foundation collection sale a hit at Toledo

The AMA Foundation would like to thank everyone who visited the multicollection sale held during The Toledo Show: R/C Model Expo. Through your support, the AMA Foundation raised nearly \$5,000 for AMA programs. We would like to thank the families of Carl Goldberg, Don Tichenor, and Joseph Elgin for donating items from their loved ones' estates, as well as Edward Sweeney for donating part of his model collection for the sale.

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Registration is open for the 2016 Indoor and Outdoor Nats

Celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Nats by registering to compete. When you complete your application this year, invite someone who hasn't experienced the Nats. Give him or her an application and say, "Bring it," to the greatest celebration of aeromodeling!

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AMA now accepting nominations for the 2016 election

Nominations for the office of AMA president and vice presidents in Districts I, V, and IX are due at AMA Headquarters by June 19, 2016. Any AMA Adult member may submit a nomination. To be eligible to discharge the duties of AMA vice president, a nominee must be a Leader Member of the AMA and must reside in the district. To be eligible to discharge the duties of AMA president, a nominee must be a Leader Member of the AMA and must previously have served as a member of the Executive Council, as an Associate Vice President, or as a Contest Board member for at least one year.

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Stay organized at the club field with an AMA pad-folio

AMA's stylish zippered padfolio is now on sale. The organizer and note pad is embossed with the AMA logo on the front, with a slot pocket. Its stitched interior and exterior DuraHyde make the padfolio durable and lasting. The interior has multiple pockets including a secure zippered pocket for business cards, IDs, or a small calculator, and a full gusseted file pocket on the inside provides ample room for thicker documents. A pen loop ensures you have your pen ready, and the full zippered closure tucks it all away. This organizer includes an 8.5-inch x 11-inch writing pad, and is available in black. It measures 13.5 inches high x 1.5 inches wide x 10 inches long. **The padfolio is on sale for a limited time for only \$19.99.**

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