

# Charlotte Sport Modelers Society

February 2023 Newsletter

## CSMS February Club Meeting 9:00 am Saturday, February 4, 2023

### President Report

It's been brought to my attention that we still have a few club members that have not paid their dues yet. Club dues are due now. Our club dues what keep our club going and running for this year and years after. The dead line for paying your dues is February 15. At that time all combinations to the gates will be changed.

If you have been out at our airfield, you have seen our new club house. There has been some hard work and lots of money put in to this new club house to make it bigger and better than what we had before. And do not forget our new runway. I did not say it last month so I'm doing this month. I would like to thank everyone that has donated their time, hard work and money to our new club house. It is not finished yet as there is still more work to do.

I would like to thank Carol, Eddie and Lee for their hard work trying to get things done for our upcoming air show.

The air show is planned for March 8-12, 2023. It is open to the public Friday and Saturday. I hope everyone can make it out and help support our new club house and runway. We are hoping for a big turn out! Let's get it done!

President - David Grantham

### Vice-President Report:

Hi fellow flyers! I hope everyone continues to recover well from IAN; as you see our airport is almost back to baseline, and even better and bigger still! Phase I of the clubhouse is complete except for the charging station bench, which will be installed this week. We will continue with the next phase as soon as we have funds available to do so. Hopefully the upcoming FUNDRAISING Air Show will generate enough to continue the project. Again, I would like to thank all that helped build our clubhouse, and in particular would like to thank Eddie and Carol who put their heart and soul into the project from the beginning, starting with the cleanup! Make sure you ALL come to the meeting on Saturday (2/4/23) to find out how you can help make this event a very successful fundraiser. The board has been working very hard to develop the details. See you at the field!

Happy Flying,

Vice President - Lee Ramsdell

### Safety Officer Report

Gentlemen this will be a little longer than I like to make these reports but some things have to be revisited. I know we have a lot of new members and this will be old hat to the present members. When entering the field if you are the first please mix the combination on the lock up after you open it, after entering please close the gate and dummy lock (not lock) the gate unless you are the last out then lock it please. The speed limit on the road is 15 MPH per Swiftmud instructions. So please don't get us kicked out. There is to be no taxiing behind the white fence. All planes should be started and operated within the white fence and runway. Please call all taxiing, take offs and landings AND out of control planes! Do not fly over the runway unless you are landing and no touch and goes when multiple pilots are flying. When the new building is complete your AMA card needs to be in the box

supplied and you need the clothes pin from that slot to fly. All of these things if violated will result in being grounded for the day or more if continually ignored. Please don't make me have to enforce this because we all want to have a good time out here. You won't find a better bunch of men and women than in this club so let's protect that image. There is talk that instead of the old AMA card and clothes pin that we clip our AMA cards to our hat, shirt, or belt. More on that later. I have been seeing a lot of the above rules being violated so this is fair warning. So far our safety record here is impeccable and you should all be proud just as I am. Let's keep it that way. The field has been very busy lately so if there are 3 or more flyers the person making up the third party should bring a spotter as per club rules. Come out and fly and enjoy this fabulous club and friendly members. If you need help ASK I am sure someone will jump to help you. If you feel like you need some help flying we have an instructor that will have you flying in no time. With all that said let's get out and have some fun. I guarantee you will.

P.S.

Eddie, Carol, and Lee and many of the members have worked very hard on the new building and runways so take the time to thank them for the tremendous job they are doing. Thank you all.

Chief Safety Officer - Dave Leifheit



The New CSMS Club House