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The Next Meeting Will Be On Tuesday,  
**July 7, 2009**  
At Floyd Mathews House  
in Rosamond at 6:00 pm.  
**See You There!**

## TIPS AND TRICKS

### Balsa Dents

When you accidentally dent a piece of balsa during construction of a model, try this old cabinet-maker's trick. Put a few drops of white vinegar on it instead of using filler. The vinegar will pull 99% of the dent out. Works best overnight.

Try it; it really works!

**Muroc Model Masters**  
*Flying Field is STILL*  
**Open for Business**  
(Unless it rains or the wind blows)

## 2009 Membership Cards

For 2009, please remember to get your AMA insurance renewed before you renew your MMM membership. In order to have a 2009 MMM card issued, you need to provide a copy of your 2009 AMA card and driver's license or military ID and an **updated application**. The application is on line at <http://www.murocmodelmasters.org/>. Click on "About Our Club".

Club applications may be mailed to Muroc Model Masters, **Post Office Box 2194, Rosamond, CA 93560-2194**. Checks can be made payable to Muroc Model Masters. Membership dues are still just \$25 for the whole year. If applying in person, please see Charlie Threewit, Treasurer, at the field or meetings.

## >> *From the desk of Joe Breda* <<

WOW! It finally happened, all the stars got aligned and, SHAZAM!... the wind finally quit a blowing on a week end! The weekend of June 27 turned out grand, calm was upon us at the MMM flying field. It was such a good day! My fellow news editor John Sturgeon even showed up. John had a couple of electrics with him and had some issues. The first flight one went nuts, (I wasn't there to witness it) but heard the plane really went whacko. At first I thought I may have brought some bad luck, but I arrived after the fact. I was told I still brought the bad luck, because I was en-route when it happened! I'm not buying that one, but had to take the heat any way, cause I was out numbered. There was also another incident. Bob Smith wanted me to try out one of his new planes. It's a pattern sort of a configuration, so I took the sticks and got used to them, then asked if I could put it through its paces? I was given the go-ahead by Bob, so there I went. I started with a few rolls, and then looped it. As I came out of the loop and was starting to fly horizontal again, WHAM! It happened. The ailerons went into FULL FLUTTER! Luckily it didn't rip the wings apart, but it DID toast BOTH aileron servos. So there I was, flying a plane with absolutely NO ailerons! NOT GOOD! Fortunately I had enough altitude to realize there was no aileron control and the plane was reasonably level. It then struck me to use the rudder, and fortunately it had enough rudder authority to control the thing. After about a real long minute, I had it on the ground safely, and after that ordeal, needed to change my



pants! But this once again shows we have the best field around. If this happened anywhere else, I doubt I would have been able to hit a runway since being so focused on the plane. Well at least being at our runway took hitting a runway out of play allowing me to focus 100% on the plane. It was a hair razing experience for me to say the least, and BOB still has his plane! The back of my pants, well....? Bob's luck finally changed, and he fired up his giant cub that has a twin 4cycle in it, and man does that thing sound great. I also happened to have my cub with me and we managed to do a little graceful formation flying. Man those two looked good together in the air at the same time. BTW Bobs Cub is painted in the military bird dog colors, and mine is the generic Cub yellow, the two contrasting color configurations looked great together.



Team Antwan and Rob were also out flying; well at least Rob was there in spirit. Rob is still in Iraq and Rob, we all still wish you well, and you were spoken about again with utmost respect. We are looking forward to your return. Stay Safe Brother! Antwan, continued to, as always, work with a fellow new guy and he and Wes 1. spent some time helping him. He did try to talk me into believing he had a .25 in his Decathlon though, I didn't buy it!

Wes 1, and Wes 2 were also there, Wes 1 is Wes Parmeter our past Prez, and Wes 2 is the elder statesman and I don't remember his last name (e.n. Weathers). Wes 1 was busy all day and even got in some helo driving, along with helping out others, as usually he does. Wes also took the sticks over on my little hot jet. He seemed to enjoy that but got a little surprise when he set up to land. You see Wes 1 is very accomplished and always uses a lot of rudder when approaching, well the surprise was, this little jet doesn't have any rudders, just a dual set of verticals! So needless to say, it was interesting on the 1<sup>st</sup> attempted. That didn't happen again, and he finally got a good handle on that little



speedster and greased it in. Wes 2, our elder statesmen, has gotten a new lease on life. He recently got his eye sight back and is now able to enjoy one of his loves of life, flying RC! Man that was good to hear, and was good to see Wes 2 flying again. I felt so good for him! Man-O-Man he was grinning from ear to ear to be able to continue to fly! I will end with that good news, and y'all take care!

**CHEERS All!**

JoeB ✈



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## MMM Meeting Minutes

## 02 June 2009

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The Muroc Model Masters meeting was called to order at 6:10 PM by club President Ron Scaggs. The meeting was held at the Rosamond Skypark home of Floyd Mathews. There were eight members and a new member in attendance. The May minutes were read by President Ron Scaggs, and moved they be accepted as read by Steve Wells and seconded by Floyd Mathews. There was no treasurer's report. The treasurer was absent from the meeting.

### OLD BUSINESS:

Ron Scaggs has the letter for Hummel Hall for Friday December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009 from 6:00PM until 10:00 pm. The county wants \$375.00 as a deposit, which may be waved. Bob Smiths wife is making the gifts for our wives and girl friends for the Christmas party.

### NEW BUSINESS:

We as a group discussed painting the runway, a control line circle, and a rocketry area.

Congrats to our newest member, Don Kissack for joining our flying family.

It was moved the meeting be closed at 6:35 by Joe Breda and seconded by Lou Figueroa.

Attendance for the June 2009 MMM meeting is as follows:

Ron Scaggs; Jerry V. Rice; Joe Breda; Steve Wells; Floyd Mathews; Bob Smith; Lou Figueroa; Antwain Mallory; and our new member Don Kissack.

These minutes were written and recorded by Secretary, Jerry V. Rice on 11 May 2009.

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