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## THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN!

LARRY HANSEN

2006 is upon all of us! If you're like me, you can't quite figure out where 2005 went. So many things to accomplish, and most of them slipped by me! I am often frustrated by how I let things slip away from me and I'm sure I have a lot of fellow club members who feel the same way at times.

These feelings came to me as I was pondering my "New Years Resolutions". Remembering broken resolutions of the past, I was thinking of all those I had made and how many of them I had abandoned. Sure every year I vow to "quit smoking", but those of you who know me understand the fact that I've never really kept that promise to myself. Most of vow to quit doing something or other that never really seems to take root and grow. It was then that I really thought about what would make my life better in 2006. Like a bolt of lightning, it dawned on me that to quit something or swearing to stop doing something is not what is best for me, or for that matter most of you. I remember my grandfather, as he had gotten on in years, giving me a piece of wisdom as we were drowning worms by his favorite fishing spot. He was trying to tell me how one should really live life. Grandpa looked at

me and said, "You know Larry, when you get to my age you'll look back on life, and you'll never complain much about all the things you've done over the years. You may even do some things you're not to proud of, but when the smoke clears away all you will regret are the things you didn't do." At the time, the words he was saying didn't really sink in like they should have. Perhaps it's because I am older now and have a lot more to look back on than I have to look forward to but it finally made sense in a big way. That's when I began to re-think my new year's resolutions.

Sure, I should quit smoking, clean up my language and lose some weight, all the things we always tell ourselves we should do but they are all plans to "not do something". I am making my new years resolutions on a more active basis this year. I am resolving to "do something"! That's right, there are a lot of things I haven't yet done and I need to start right this minute to accomplish them. I haven't flown electric airplanes enough, I haven't flown gliders enough, I haven't tried 3-D flying and I've never used a high start. Sure there are other things I haven't done but most of you can relate to these items that I need to get under my belt.

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## FROM THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

Hi everyone. My address was a little messed up in the last newsletter, so I wanted to give it to you again. Please mail your club renewals to this address:

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Remember to be able to fly at our field in 2006 you **Must** have your 2006 AMA (Academy of Model Aeronautics) card. If you haven't renewed your Arvada Associated Modelers membership and therefore don't have your 2006 frequency cards then display your 2006 AMA card on the frequency board using a guest magnetic pin. The guest pins can be found in the tan cabinet in the frequency control shack. This procedure will show everybody that you are current with AMA and have insurance to protect the club incase of accident. Arvada Associated Modelers memberships are due at the first of the year but aren't considered delinquent until March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006. As always, if you have questions please call me.

**Thanks, Brad**  
**Merry Christmas & Happy New Year**

## 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL AMA DISTRICT IX SPECIAL EVENTS MEETING

LARRY HANSEN

The **Metro Denver Modeling Council**, will be sponsoring the meeting to be held February 4<sup>th</sup>, at the Holiday Inn, located at Colfax and I-70. This meeting will kick off at 7:00 P.M., which is an hour after the Jefco Auction closes down for the day. AMA President Dave Brown, District IX Vice President Mark Smith, along with Colorado's two Associate Vice Presidents, Mike Harrington and our own Travis McGinnis will be in attendance. The topic for the get together will be **The State of the AMA**. There will be lots of time for questions and answers, door prizes will be given away, light refreshments will be served and special AMA awards shall be handed out.

All of us who belong to Arvada Associated Modelers should try to attend this event and bring your spouses along with you. It's a chance to meet people from other area clubs, discuss flying with your buddies and meet some of the people who can really help our club out. It'll be a lot of fun for everyone and an evening you will be glad you spent. Put it on your calendar now and plan to attend.

# MALL SHOW TIME!

**Get Ready!!! Clean up those planes!!! Finish those flying works of art!!!**

The Annual AAM Mall Show runs from Thursday January 19, through Sunday, January 22, 2006 at the Westminster Mall. Once again, we are assigned the prime location outside Sears.

The Annual AAM Mall Show is an event that allows us to show off our planes to each other and the public. We create a static display of all types of models, from float planes, to helicopters, to biplanes, to P-38s. From first planes to planes that we're too nervous to fly. From scale models to scratch built to ARFs. Enter as many models as you like. Entry is free for all AAM members.

Come spend time working the show, anytime between Thursday, January 19 and 6pm Sunday, January 22, 2006. (Everyone who spends time at the show has such a good time, that even carrying tables doesn't seem like work.)

Please call **Betty Shuster (422-8514)** or **Terry Steinborn (469-5625)** or **Rosa Smith (428-0060)** with any questions, comments or offers of help.

**Let's make this the biggest, best display in Mall Show history!!!!**

*See the Mall Show Rules on Page 4*

## I BUILT IT, CONTEST

HOWARD SIEBENROCK

To encourage the building of model aircraft by the members of the Arvada Associated Modelers, the Westminster Mall Show will feature a contest to be held at the January 3, 2006 club meeting. The entries will then be on display at the Westminster Mall Show on January 19 thru 22, 2006, with first, second and third awards being presented there.

The rules are simple. As the name implies, you must have built it, either from scratch, a kit or a very bad crash. How bad? Very bad! You must not have won any contest with it before.

Judging will be done from 10 to 15 feet by non club members. The judges can have someone else rotate or hold up the model so they can see all sides of it. Cockpit and cabin details will not be considered.

This will not be Scale Judging. Any model is

eligible and if well built can win.

Judging will be based on craftsmanship (60 percent), how well was it built, is it straight, is it complete. And on appearance (40 percent), finish, color, and how does it look.

In line with AMA static judging, no points will be deducted for engine or muffler showing, or for any receiver antenna type, or prop type.

At the meeting I will have a registration form for you to fill out and a post-it note, with a number on it, to put with your model. That will make it easy for the judges to identify each model.

So come early, set your model up in the back of the meeting room, fill in the registration form and give it one last spit shine. Good luck!

## MALL SHOW RULES

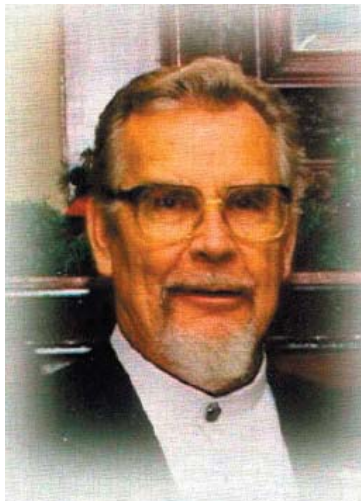
1. All models must be owned by AAM club members.
2. All models must be registered immediately upon arrival on the premises of the Mall.
3. No transmitters allowed in the Mall without written permission from the AAM Mall Show Coordinators.
4. No models will be started on Mall property.
5. No actual or implied obscenities will be allowed. The decision of the AAM Mall Show Coordinators will be final.
6. No advertisements. Commercial logos may be accepted for authenticity on scale models, at the discretion of the AAM Mall Show Coordinators.
7. All models must remain in the show until the official ending time. Occasional exceptions for special circumstances may be made with permission from the AAM Mall Show Coordinators. Members who remove models prior to the official end of the Mall Show without permission from the Mall Show Coordinators will be suspended from entering exhibits in the AAM Mall Show for one year.
8. The AAM Mall Show Coordinators have the authority to make decisions to deal with situations not clearly covered by these rules. The AAM Mall Show Coordinators decisions shall be final.

## WE LOST ONE OF OUR OWN

LARRY HANSEN

Tuesday, November 22, 2005, Marinus "Rine" Otte passed away. Rine had a heart attack at our flying field doing what he enjoyed. None of us is really ever ready to leave this Earth, but on a beautiful clear day, with little or no breeze flying your favorite model is not the worst way to go. Rine had been so excited that day that he was running around telling everyone, "I landed nine times today, and never even chipped a prop!" Shortly after that he had a fatal heart attack.

For those of you who didn't know Rine that well, he was born in The Hague, The Netherlands, on March 30, 1931. He immigrated to this country in 1959. He lived in many spots



around the country in those early days but after having seen Colorado earlier on in his career, he knew this was the place for him. He moved back and never left.

Rine didn't get into R/C flying until later in life, but, like most of us, fell in love with the hobby. He was a well-read and very inquisitive kind of guy. He always wanted to know everything there was to know about the glow engines he used and the airframes he built. Rine never ceased asking questions of everyone he could talk to about how to do things better. It never bothered him to spend hours building a new plane, and then bringing it home in pieces after just one or two flights. He had the spirit that those of us who grew up with the hobby when "stick-building" was the only way to get in the air and loved every minute of both building and flying. He was the kind of modeler we all aspire to be!

He will be sorely missed!



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## AAM EVENTS SCHEDULE FOR 2005 - DON SIKKEMA

Date	Time	Event	CD/Contact	Location
January 1	9:00 AM	Frozen Finger Fun Fly	Pete Weller	AAM East Field
January 19	6:00 PM	Mall Show Setup	Terry Steinborn	Westminster Mall
January 20-22		AAM Mall Show	Terry Steinborn	Westminster Mall
February 4-5		Jefco Auction		Jefco Fairgrounds
February 4	7:00 PM	AMA District IX Special Events Meeting	Larry Hansen	Holiday Inn, Golden
March 18	9:00 AM	Spring Fling Fun Fly		AAM East Field
April 6	5:00 PM	Flight Training Begins	Ron Evans	AAM East Field
May 20	9:00 AM	Sweetheart Fun Fly		AAM East Field
July 22	9:00 AM	Summer Daze Fun Fly		AAM East Field
August 26-27	9:00 AM	Vintage RC Society Fun Fly	Travis McGinnis	AAM East Field
September 9		Harvest Festival Parade & Air Show	Don Sikkema	Arvada & AAM Fields
November 7	7:30 PM	AAM Election of Officers for 2006	Wes Dalesio	Regular AAM Meeting Place
November 18	9:00 AM	Turkey Fun Fly		AAM East Field

## AAM MEETING MINUTES, DECEMBER 6, 2005

MARV WHITE

**President:** Jim Wallen opened the meeting and introduced new members and guests. Jim discussed the memorial plaque. Travis McGinnis told of the plans for the 2006 Vintage Fun Fly event. Jim noted the mall show dates of Jan 19 to 21. Howard Siebenrock said we will show the airplanes built for the annual mall show contest at our January meeting. Jim went to an area club's general meeting and they plan to have four meetings a year. There will be a better job of publicizing other club's events. The junior program was also discussed.

**Secretary:** Marv White noted he still has Gold Leader pins for \$3.00/ea, newsletter discs for \$5.00 and Plane ID stickers for free.

**Events Coordinator:** Pat Vachon will have a Frozen Finger Fun Fly on Jan 1<sup>st</sup>. at 9 AM for any type of airplane.

**Field Marshal:** Dave will continue to establish a new west field runway installation of chain link fence and grass.

**Safety Officer:** Pat Vachon said the safety issues for 2006 will be a team effort.

**Treasurer:** Jerry Johnson noted we have \$18554 in the bank.

**Vice President:** Larry Hansen said there will be an AMA open house with Dave Brown, etc. on Feb 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday night. He held the show and tell and drawing for prizes.

Meeting adjourned.

## AAM BOARD MEETING MINUTES, DECEMBER 6, 2005

MARV WHITE

**Attendees:** Larry Hansen, Jerry Johnson, Marv White, Jim Wallen, Dave Doty, Pat Vachon, Travis McGinnis

Jim called the meeting to order. Travis asked for an up front budget item in amount of \$700.00 for the Vintage Fun Fly and a motion was made and passed for same. The appointees for the other board members was made and approved. Don Sikkema-Events Coordinator, Dave Doty-Field Marshall, Brad Carter-Membership Coordinator, Pat Vachon-Safety Officer, Ron Evans-Chief Flight Instructor, Don McGraw-Newsletter Editor.

The 2006 Budget (\$26000) was reviewed, a motion was made to approve it and was passed.

Meeting Adjourned.

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Then I began to ponder our clubs activities. Being on the Board gave me pause to ponder some of the things we have not done and how so many of us just want to stop doing some of the things we are doing. Sure, we always need to monitor ourselves so we don't go crazy but lets be *pro-active* as a club. Let's quit talking about all the things that won't work to get grass on the West Field. Let's quit worrying about where we can place a high-start to get gliders in the sky. Let's cease this endless wrangle about "I don't really know if that will work or not" and get something positive going. Let's try some new things! If there are problems, we can iron those wrinkles out when they show up. While visiting with a fellow club member in December, he told me he has a high-start that will easily pull up a two-meter plane. Another fellow flyer near by said "Wow, how great would that be, I've got three gliders in the rafters of my garage I haven't flown in six or seven years. I'd sure like to get them out and go after it." Here's my thought....YES, let's try it. If it hampers landings for other aircraft we can adjust and fix those problems when we really get them identified but let's not build those obstacles till they rear their ugly heads. We need a bulletin board at the field. We keep waiting for someone

to volunteer to build it to save \$200, mean while there is no way to inform members at the field of new and exciting items the club has going on. Let's just get it built and in place even if we have to pay a little labor because no one seems to have time to do it. \$200 is a low cost when you think of the good this item can produce for fellow club members. We need a storage shed at the west field. It's getting more use now, and it's a long way to go all the way to the shed at the East Field to something needed at the West Field. Let's just put one up.

Yes, my new years resolutions are more positive this year than last and maybe I'll get more of them done. If I don't, that's my fault. If I do I'll be a happier guy because of it. But in either case, I won't have to lament the fact that I don't have things to look back on with pride. When I take my grandsons fishing and offer them some of life's philosophical wisdom, perhaps they will listen closer to me than I did to my grandfather and they will be doers instead of complainers. Perhaps they will accomplish greatness, (perhaps the club will too) but in any case, doing something is better than doing nothing or complaining about how it may be too difficult to attempt.

With that, I only have one thing to say, have a HAPPY NEW YEAR! and KEEP



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