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AMA keeps the Special Rule for Model Aircraft intact

We are happy to announce big news related to FAA authorization. Both the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives have passed a 14-month FAA extension, and the president has signed the bill into law. This extension recognizes the importance of AMA and our strong commitment to safety.

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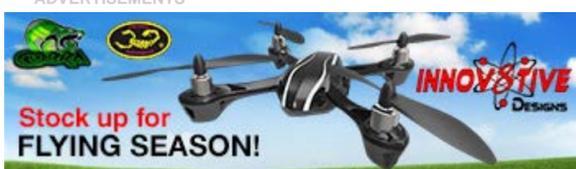


AMA member featured for his work test flying UASs

Bic Green, an AMA member and a full-scale pilot, was recently showcased on WHNT television station in Alabama for his work test-flying the Shadow, one of the Army's best unmanned aircraft systems. Soldiers and Marines are flying approximately 400 of them worldwide. Bic has been part of Shadow's testing since the program's beginning. He is the external pilot for Shadow tests at Redstone Arsenal. Bic has also helped recruit several pilots from the RC community to help with these efforts.

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Control Line volunteers celebrate 20 years at AirVenture

More than 20 AMA members and Control Line enthusiasts from at least 14 states and France will travel to Oshkosh, WI, to share their model flying passion with thousands of attendees visiting KidVenture at EAA AirVenture July 25-31. It's a special anniversary year for this group of tireless volunteers because they will be celebrating 20 years of bringing hands-on Control Line flying to the event.

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E-flite's newest warbird is right on target

Don't miss *Model Aviation's* review of this well-optioned Corsair. Digital edition subscribers will find a flight video on the first page of the product review. Print subscribers can get a sneak peek at www.ModelAviation.com and will find the full review in the August 2016 issue!

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Nats competitions continue at AMA Headquarters

Congratulations to the many competitors who have taken home top honors from their respective competitions during the 90th AMA Nats at AMA Headquarters in Muncie, IN. You can learn more about each event and see how your favorite pilots finished by subscribing to our free newsletter, *NatsNews!* Read past issues at www.modelaircraft.org/natsnews and subscribe today so you don't miss a single issue!

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Check out a video of DC-3 Clipper Tabitha May, appearing at AirVenture

Take a look at this beautiful 71-year-old DC-3 Clipper Tabitha May, dressed in Pan American Airways livery that will be at AirVenture July 25-31. Be sure to see it and meet AMA and EAA member Scott Huff who is the first officer of this historic airplane.

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F3A team chosen for the 2017 World Championship

The finals for the 2017 F3A team selection were held during the 90th Nats, at the International Aeromodeling Center. Congratulations to the following pilots for making the team: Andrew Jesky (first-place finisher), Jason Shulman (second place), Brett Wickizer (third place), Joseph Szczur (Junior), and Mark Atwood (team manager).



Last chance to help us celebrate National Model Aviation Day

We are less than a month away from this year's National Model Aviation Day celebration. There is still time to register and to find a participating club near you. This is an exciting year for the AMA. We are celebrating 80 years of fun and safe flying. Thank you to our Platinum sponsors, [Ready Made RC](#), [Horizon Hobby](#), [HobbyKing](#), and [Hobbico](#), for assisting us with our efforts to promote the hobby and encourage the public to discover flight.

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2016 Nats apparel now for sale

The 2016 Outdoor Nats have begun at AMA Headquarters in Muncie, IN. Now is a great time to purchase your official 2016 Nats apparel and memorabilia in the Cloud 9 Museum Store or online. Pick up the perfect souvenir to commemorate this year's 90th competition. Items start at \$2.99.

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