Proposed Changes to MAPS Regulations

The following changes have been proposed to the MAPS Code of Regulations. These proposed changes will be voted on in an upcoming Members Meeting, and will run in at least 1 more Briefing newsletter.

Section 4.01. Authority and Qualifications. Except where by law or where the Articles or Regulations provide, all authority and governance of the Corporation shall be vested in and exercised by its Directors except for the duties delegated by them. A Director must be a Member in good standing for at least one full year.

Section 4.02.02. Duties of the Chairperson. The Chairperson shall preside over the Board of Directors meeting. Before a candidate can be considered for Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson of the Board, He/She must have served at least one year as a member of the Board.

Section 4.05. Election of Directors. The Directors shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting on the last Wednesday in June at 7:00 P.M. The Board is composed of members elected by the membership, who in turn elect their own officers from the members of the Board.

Section 4.05.01 Any member in good standing for one full year may be placed on the ballot for the election of Director by nomination from the floor with a Second at the nominations meeting.

Section 4.14. Removal of Director. A Director shall be removed from office, for due cause, if a majority of members at a membership meeting that meets the quorum requirements herein votes to remove said Director. The vote on the motion to remove a Director will take place at the following general membership meeting.

July 3rd/4th - 20th Anniversary Event

At the February Members Meeting, members voted unanimously to continue planning to hold the MAPS 20th Anniversary Celebration / Founders Day Weekend event on Saturday July 3rd and Sunday July 4th. Given that Monday, July 5th is the observed Holiday, it was discussed that holding an event during daylight hours on those days would not greatly impact on holiday celebrations.

One of the main reasons for holding the event that weekend is that the weekends preceding July 3rd/4th, and the weekends following July 3rd/4th, there are significant airshows to the East and West of us. One of our hopes is to be able to have transient aircraft ‘hold over’ at MAPS during the weekend of our Anniversary Celebration, thus getting us some new aircraft to display that weekend for no cost.

Other events discussed for the weekend include a 50s/60s/70s Dance on Saturday night, and a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday morning. Initial contacts have already been made with the appropriate groups that have helped us with such events in the past.

While final prices have not been set, the current proposal is to charge $10.00 per day, which gets you admission for the entire day (including the Saturday dance or the Sunday Pancake Breakfast).

Overall, this is a very low-risk plan, both in terms of time and money, and the hopes are that we’ll be able to market effectively and draw new faces to MAPS that weekend, and make a little profit to boot.

As further details are arranged, they will be shared in upcoming Briefing newsletters. If you have any questions, please see one of the Directors - if they aren’t able to answer your question, they will at least be able to direct you to one of the Anniversary Event committee members.
Allen Swain Voted Onto Board

At the February Member’s Meeting, Allen Swain was voted onto the Board of Directors in a Special Election. This now brings our number of Directors to 7. Allen fills the Director’s position vacated by Jim Keller last fall, and will serve on the MAPS Board of Directors until July 2011. Thank you to Jerry Ramey and everyone else who helped with the Special Election.

Congressman Boccieri Visit

On February 8th, MAPS was proud to welcome Congressman John Boccieri during his visit to MAPS. Boccieri represents the 16th District of Ohio, covering Stark, Wayne, and portions of Ashland and Medina Counties. This seat was long-held by Ralph Regula, who did much for MAPS until his retirement from office in late 2008.

Congressman Boccieri was named to both the U.S. House of Representatives Committees on Agriculture and Transportation and Infrastructure. It’s on the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee where he serves on the Highway and Transit and Aviation subcommittees.

If he looks comfortable sitting in our Mig-17, it’s because Congressman Boccieri is currently a Major in the U.S. Air Force Reserve. As an aircraft commander aboard the C-130 Hercules, Boccieri deployed in four rotations to Iraq and Afghanistan in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom.

Before moving to Washington D.C., Representative Boccieri served eight years in the Ohio Legislature, including one term as the assistant minority whip, the 4th ranking Democrat in the Ohio House. In the legislature, Boccieri advocated for Ohio’s veterans, working families, and the jobs and industries that have built our state.

Navy Crew Cleans MAPS Hangar

On January 28th, a large crew of Navy personnel from NE Ohio Recruiting Offices descended on MAPS to spend the day cleaning the large Hangar and dusting the aircraft and displays.

Many thanks to all those involved for not only helping MAPS, but more importantly for serving our country.
News and Notes - Misc Items Worth Mention

Safety Officer Information Listed  This issue of the Briefing newsletter includes contact information for MAPS’ Safety Officer, Ken White. If you have any questions or concerns regarding any safety issues, please feel free to contact Ken White @ 330.867.8605.

Speaking Program Resurrected  Dick Pashley, with the help of others, has undertaken to resurrect the MAPS Speaking Program, where Dick will visit schools and other groups and give presentation on MAPS and what it has to offer the community. If you know of a group that could benefit from having Dick give a presentation, please contact him to set something up.

Handy Randy Show Visited MAPS  Randy Lipscomb of the Handy Randy Autocare TV show, shown on local cable providers, visited MAPS in January to collect information and film for a 1 hour show. While much of the film could not be used (it was too dark in the large hangar) many photos and information on MAPS was collected and then used during the broadcast in late January. Thanks to member Kevin McDonald for setting this up.

Safety Glasses / Face Shields Available  If you need safety glasses or face shields, please see Ken White. He’s got a limited number of safety glasses for $1.50 or face shields for $2.50. Ken is selling these for cost. Watch your eyes out there!

F-16 Falcon Update  At the February members meeting, Kent Kleinknecht gave an update on the possible F-16 acquisition. Kent has made contact with Pima Air Museum about having them help with the disassembly and prep for shipping, should the Air Force put the F-16 airframe on loan to MAPS. For those members that don’t know, we’ve worked with Pima in the past; some of the MARC (David Tallichet) owned aircraft that left MAPS (notably, the SBD #2 and the P-40 fuselage) went to Pima when they left MAPS.

Helicopter Fly-In  If you are free during the day on Tuesdays, stop by MAPS to check out our weekly (RC) helicopter fly-in. A group of members has taken to flying micro-RC helicopters at the Museum on Tuesdays.

Updated Tour Coordinator Phone Number  The contact list now has an updated phone number for Dennis Dickey, our Tour Coordinator. If you are contacted by anyone about a Group Tour of MAPS, please take their information, and pass it on to Dennis Dickey @ 330.896.1306.

Membership Dues Price Increase  This is a reminder that effective April 1st, the price of all Member levels will be increasing by $5.00 per person, or $50.00 for a lifetime membership. If you’d like to renew early, you can renew your membership for the current rates.

MAPS’ Buy-One, Get-One (BOGO) Program

In January MAPS distributed the first of the Buy-One, Get-One (BOGO) coupons at the 2010 Canton Car Show, and as promised last month, here are more details on this program, what it’s intended to do, and what limitations it has.

The BOGO coupons are designed to be handed out at special events, speaking events, or other engagements where there are a number of attendees that probably haven’t heard of, or visited, MAPS. We are either color-coding, or labeling the BOGO coupons so we may be able to track our return and see what event(s) and groups garner the best return.

As you can see, the coupons are restricted so that they may not be used for Pancake Breakfasts or other Special Events, and they will all feature an expiration date. There is also verbiage on the coupon that limits the number of free admissions to 1 per coupon (other coupons have been labeled such that it allows 1 free admission for each paid admission.

As stated last month, this is a trial program that will hopefully bring new faces to MAPS. If it generates little return, we’ll discontinue it. If you will be attending an event and would like to get some BOGO coupons to pass out, please see one of the Directors, or Jim Kohan, for more information.

BUY ONE GET ONE
1 free admission to visit MAPS Air Museum when accompanied by a paid admission.

Limit 1 free admission per coupon. Good thru May 31 2010. Offer not valid for Pancake Breakfast or other Special Events.

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Random Photos from January / February 2010

Kevin McDonald working on the F-86D Sabre. Excellent progress has been made polishing up the aircraft this month.

Carl Strahler working on the PT-19 airframe in the Resto Bldg. Carl is always willing to pitch in wherever needed.

Jim Kohan at his usual post, stuck behind the computer doing Membership or Newsletter duties. He swears he’ll get to work on an aircraft restoration project again some day!

Inaugural MAPS Cruise-In is scheduled to be held Sunday, June 13th. Much, if not all, of our advertising and other costs are being covered by outside groups and sponsors!

Thanks to Carl Bergsneider for repairing the broken engine hoist - one of the wheel mounts had been broken and left for repair, and Carl kindly took on that responsibility.
Random Photos from January / February 2010

Lunchtime @ MAPS on a Saturday. If you haven’t been to MAPS on a Saturday around lunchtime, you probably do not know that a very nice lunch is laid up every weekend. While I’m not sure who started this, I’m betting Mary Ann Cameron and Carol Swain were deeply involved! For just a small donation there’s usually hot dogs, some type of soup/stew/chili, and desert, plus some great company and great conversation!

Rick Willaman working on a computer for the Gift Shop staff. When he’s not busy tinkering with electronics, representing MAPS at other functions, or helping out with a myriad of projects, Rick is also the defacto photographer for MAPS, and most of the photos you see here, and on the Website, are Rick’s work. Many thanks to Rick for doing this, as it certainly makes the job of doing the newsletter and website much, much easier when you have a steady stream of fresh photos and content that you can use.

Steve Satchell working on a T-37 aileron. Years of moisture from sitting outside left the lower skin on the control surfaces corroded beyond repair, so the Tweet’s getting some new ‘feathers’ as part of her restoration.

Left: Fred Lindsay working on the new bathroom installation. While there are many who help, Fred must be given extra mention for all the work he’s done toward MAPS’ new construction projects over the years.

Right: Dave Pawski working on new B-26 assemblies. The Marauder has been a 15 year labor of love for the B-26 crew, and the work by the entire restoration crew has been nothing short of exceptional!
Spring Pancake Breakfast, Sunday April 25th

This Spring 2010 Pancake Breakfast at MAPS will be held Sunday, April 25th from 8:00am to 1:00pm. Price for breakfast is $8.00 for adults (members voted at the February 2010 meeting to raise the adult prices) and $5.00 for children. This includes you all the pancakes you can eat, 2 links of sausage, and drinks PLUS admission to the Restoration Building and Hangar. Extra sausage is available for .50 cents.

If you are interested in volunteering for the Spring Pancake Breakfast event, please add your name to one of the signup sheets. If you can’t volunteer, please try to bring the family out to MAPS for a good breakfast and help support our cause!

Several classic car groups, and some of the car owners we met at the 2010 Canton Custom and Hot Rod show (including a beautiful hand-built aluminum bodied roadster) have expressed interest in attending, so we might have some additional items to look at!

As always, all proceeds will directly benefit MAPS Air Museum’s Operating and Restoration efforts.