

# MAC News

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## Regular Meeting

Saturday, July 6, is the next regular meeting. Mansfield Aviation Club meets in the Conference Room of the Mansfield Lahm Terminal Building. Regular meetings are held at 0900 on the first Saturday of each month. The December meeting is the annual meeting. The Christmas Party Dinner is to be held this year at the Sons of Herman annex. Monthly meetings are always open to members, guests, and anyone with an interest in aviation. Coffee and donuts are available.

After the **August 3**, (not July 6), meeting, you are invited to attend the Kelleys Island Flyout at Dan and Gayle Freeman's home on Kelleys Island. See the article describing the flyout later in this MACNews.



## Pancake Day

It's almost here! The annual MAC Pancake Breakfast will kick off the Fourth of July celebration at the Mansfield Freedom Festival. The Fourth of July will be held this year on the Fourth of July. (Seriously ...several years ago the Freedom Festival was moved to another day to make it fall on a weekend) We are asking all members to make a special effort to insure the success of the event this year. As most of you know, the picnic pavilion where we have held the breakfast for many years has been demolished as part of the Air Guard expansion project. We will have a more difficult time this year because we will be starting from scratch, building a temporary restaurant in an open area by the tower. We think we have discussed most of the issues involved, but there are sure

to be some unanticipated problems. Setup starts at 6:00PM on July 3. The 179<sup>th</sup> is setting up several mess tents for us and also providing a portable power plant to supply our electrical needs. We just need lots of folks around to deal with unexpected quirks. If you have a pickup or other utility vehicle it would be great if you could bring it on the evening of the third. We may need help to move materials around the airport or even to run errands for parts and materials we might find are required.

The breakfast itself opens at 07:00 on the fourth. It usually continues till a little after eleven. Because customers arrive right up till closing time, we shut down in stages. Most of the grills and equipment are turned off to begin cleanup at eleven, but we keep enough running to handle the late customers. If we have plenty of help, we can get everything cleaned up and put away by noon. "Many hands make light work" definitely applies here. We want everyone done early to leave in plenty of time for family fun at the Freedom Festival.

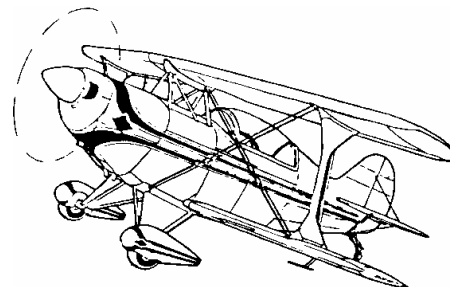


## DTN Weather System Upgraded

Stop by the pilots lounge in the terminal building and familiarize yourself with the new upgrades to the DTN weather terminal. DTN has recently provided new hardware and features on the Aviation Weather System. It's easy to get the big weather picture on DTN, but it really helps to take a few minutes to get comfortable with the system before you need to use it for flight planning.



## Air Events



### JULY

**4 Pancake Day at the Freedom Festival**

### AUGUST

**3 Kelleys Island Flyout**  
**4\* Kelleys Island Flyout**

**31 Labor Day Party (Gorman Hangar)**

### DECEMBER

**6 Christmas Party**

MAC Events shown in boldface

\* Indicates a rain date. If you know of an event that should be included on our calendar please let us know at the meeting or call Jerry at 522-4936.



## Kelleys Island Flyout

The Kelleys Island Fly-out is on Saturday August 3rd this year. Thanks to Dan and Gayle Freeman for inviting us to share their lakeside paradise again this year. If the weather doesn't cooperate, a rain date is scheduled for Sunday. There will be no poker run preceding the picnic this year. We didn't have enough

members participate last year to justify the time involved in operating it. Even more important, this year's picnic falls on a MAC meeting Saturday, so it would be difficult to attend the meeting, the poker run and the picnic all in the same day.

Plan to leave your home airport in time to meet at Kelleys Island around 1:00PM on Saturday (or Sunday if Saturday's weather was bad). Pack a picnic lunch. We never know in advance how many will be able to attend, so we set this one up as a picnic instead of a potluck. You can still swap and share with the folks that attend as you like. Guests are always welcome at MAC events. It would be hard to picture a more pleasant way to introduce a friend or neighbor to flying.

Plenty of aircraft parking is available on either side of 9-27. The north-south runway remains closed. Don't bother going to the airport office to pay the landing fee at Kelleys. MAC will pay the fees, and Gayle will simply take a count and give them the fee for all of us when the picnic is over. Just taxi to one of the parking areas shown in the diagram and relax! If you have any questions about parking, try 122.75.

If you plan to attend, and have an extra seat or two, call Jerry Calhoun at 419-522-4936. If you would like to participate and don't have a ride to the island, call the same number and tell Jerry how many seats you need. With a little luck

we can match things up for you. In case of questionable weather, you can call the same number on Saturday morning to find out if we have rescheduled to the rain day.



## Mike's Computer Corner

*Mike Broderick, our Webmaster, returns this month with more good stuff for computer owner pilots.*

In past articles we discussed some of the ways that you could use your computer for aviation related purposes. In this article we're going to toot our horn a little by discussing our own MAC website. Some of the items on our web site are:

- The Calendar of Events
- Member Submitted Photos
- Description of MAC
- "Join MAC" application
- Officers' Contact Information
- Back Issues of our Newsletter
- Links to other aviation sites
- Our sponsors
- Current events
- Members Section (password protected)
  - Member information listing
  - MAC Lounge combination
  - For Sale postings

For anyone that has not visited our web

site, here's how to get to it. Bring up your web browser (Internet Explorer or Netscape Navigator) and key in the following into the address field:

<http://www.mfd-aero.org:8081>

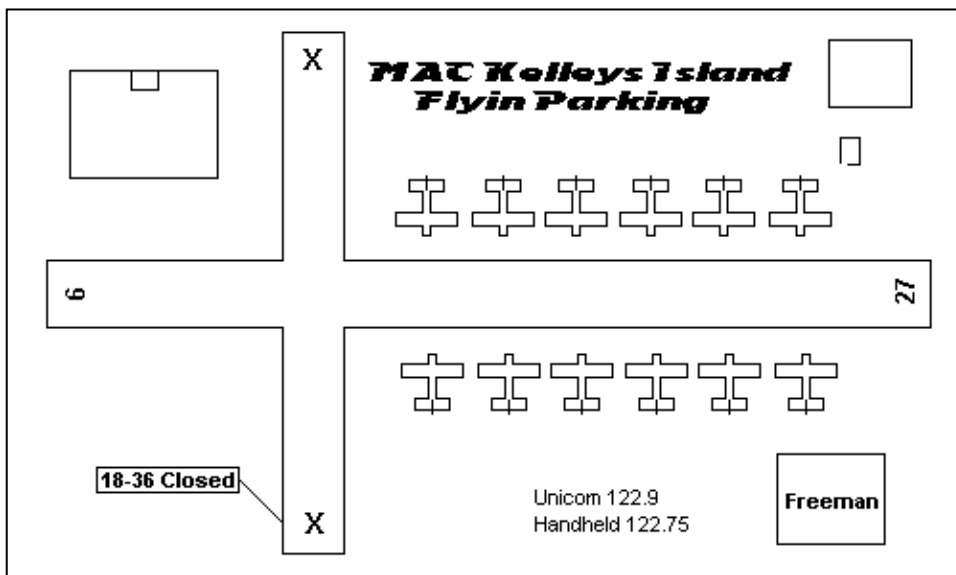
This will bring up our web site's Home Page. From this page you can access all of our site's features. Most of the features here are self-explanatory; feel free to select any one of them. I will discuss a few of the selections that have more to offer than first meets the eye.

To the right of the page is our "what's new" area, containing current event information. Right now there is a picture of the MAC members that took part in the Fall Young Eagles Day. If you click on the picture it will take you to a page showing pictures of the event. This area changes as new issues come up.

Click on the "Display our newsletter in Adobe PDF" link. An electronic copy of our newsletter appears. If you have a problem displaying the newsletter, it may be because you don't have Acrobat Reader installed on your computer. The whole world uses Acrobat Reader; if you don't have it, get it. To do so, click the yellowish-orangeish icon that says "Get Acrobat Reader". This will take you to Adobe's Acrobat site and you can download Acrobat Reader from here. Please note that **you want "Acrobat Reader"** (FREE), not *Acrobat* (costs about \$250).

You need a user id and password to access the Club Member's Section. Since this newsletter is published on the web, we cannot put the user id and password in this article. You need to contact one of us to get them. In this section there is a list of all MAC members (that didn't explicitly ask us to exclude them). You can click on the name to see their address, phone, e-mail, etc. I use this feature a lot. Imagine needing to call one of us airport bums to give you a ride back from your maintenance facility.

Another useful feature in the Club Member section is the for sale facility. This is not an E-Bay type bulletin board that prospects can search. It is a place we



can post information for you that you want other people to retrieve. For example we can post pictures of your airplane and a spec sheet. We will place your stuff into a directory on the web site and you give that directory to your prospects. For example, give them this address:

<http://www.mfd-aero.org:8081/forsale/>

They can download the pictures and other files. You don't have to send expensive pictures to every tire kicker on the west coast that asks you.

The last thing I want to mention about the member section is the ability to put a

picture of your airplane (up to 3) on your member page. Please send me your pictures via e-mail or snail mail so I can put them out there. My address is ... It's on our web site!

In this article we discussed our MAC website. Use it! It's yours. In the next few articles we will discuss organizing your favorites pages on your web browser and making the MAC web page your home page, i.e. the page that shows when you start up.




## Christmas Party

Watch for more information in the August edition of MACNews about our Christmas Party. John Carr, President of NATCA will be speaking after dinner. Plan to get your tickets early. As in previous years, ticket sales will close about a week before the dinner so that we can order only the dinners required for those attending. No dinner tickets will be available at the door. Walk-ins for the program are welcome.

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