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2. On July 23rd , the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) expanded its Low Altitude Authorization and Capability (LAANC) system to include recreational drone flyers. [Click here](#) to see more information.
3. You got bit by what..... Now we all know there are bugs in the world let alone at our field. **BE SURE TO USE BUG REPELLENT.** Something with DEET works the best. We heard a recent story of a fellow flyer that didn't use any repellent and even though he didn't notice any bugs nor did he go hiking in the tall grass around our field. He came home with a couple dozen new bites. You have been warned and reminded. I'm just sayin.....
4. Remember you don't have to be a board member to be a club ambassador. When you see people at the field you don't recognize, say hi and chat them up for a minute or two. If they have a plane, ask if they are a club member, have an AMA card and an FAA registration number. If they ask why they need that, the simple answer is that this club is sanctioned by the AMA which means we follow their rules in order to insure we stay sanctioned by the AMA. No need to go more in depth but you can always point them to the board with ALL the rules on it. Last weekend we met a few very nice folks that way, they are now looking to becoming new club members. It was a good way to end the flying day.

**Lastly** — The Friends of Banshee Reeks is a non-profit, volunteer-led, 501(c)(3) charitable organization that supports and advocates for the Banshee Reeks Nature Preserve in Loudoun County, Virginia. They support many interesting activities, provide volunteers for projects, and help provide financial support to Banshee Reeks park. We encourage you to check out this wonderful organization that helps support the park that hosts our flying field. Check out their website at <https://bansheereeksnp.org/> and consider becoming a member. They post a lot of interesting topics on their Facebook page, so please like and follow them at <https://www.facebook.com/bansheereeksnp/>. It's a great way to find out about some of the great events going on in the park!



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