

2017 - 2018 Archives Committee Report:

The committee continues to have a large membership of one... me. Fortunately, from time to time volunteers assist with the work. Namely Glenn Nigh.

The cataloguing of the magazines and books continues and is nearing completion. The reports of these magazines and books will be posted on-line and are available for reference by our membership. Updating of these reports will continue as further assets are obtained.

We now have 364 magazine titles and a total of 17,947 copies of these magazines. Not bad!

A large number of duplicate magazines were made available to our membership, to AMA as well as to a group in England. The report originally listed 3835 copies available. A total of 1696 or 45% of the spare copies were taken thus I consider the program a huge success.

As of this report, we also have catalogued 849 book titles of which 346 relate to model aircraft only while 503 titles are related to full size aircraft activities.

We continue to solicit for your collections should you no longer require them. These will be used to fill the remaining gaps in our present collection.

Contact with the archive personnel at the Academy of Model Aeronautics at Muncie, Indiana continues. With excess magazines from our collection, which they require, being forwarded to them and the flow will also be from them to us. This is a great deal. I have approached them to determine the procedures followed with model plans so as to remain within the copyright laws. Copyright laws are tricky thus great care must be taken. Most of all, we do not want to tread on others creativity.

The work continues...

Respectfully,

Fred Messacar
Archive Chairman