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The Monthly Newsletter of The New Hampshire Flying Tigers Radio Control Club. Send all correspondence to: The NH Flying Tigers RC Club, P.O. Box 99, Derry, NH, 03038-0099

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What's Happening

**This month's meeting will be held on
Wednesday, November 28th 7pm
at the
Marion Gerrish Community Center**

**Happy Holidays!
Election of officers this month
Annual Christmas party next month**

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Oct 2001 Minutes.

Meeting began at 7:00pm with 24 members present.

Treasurers report was read and accepted.

We talked about the Toys for Tots fly in at Merrimack.

A discussion was held regarding the unauthorized use of the field by non members.

Nominations for officers were held and are as follows:

President: Glen Bolser
Vice President: Paul Pazolt
Treasurer: Dan Wilder
Secretary: Dave Annicelli

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I would like to thank the membership for another successful season of flying and I hope I have served the club to the best of my ability. I may have made a mistake or maybe even two along the way, but I have honestly tried to represent everyone's opinions, and let anyone that wished to be heard have the floor and speak their mind, and I will continue to do so. I'm always open to suggestions, and I am ready to listen. The first thing on the agenda for next year is "All Locks" for the gate and the storage trailer will be changed. The reason for this is that we have used the same keys for several years and we have simply lost track of how many keys are still out there, and more importantly, who has one. If you wish to obtain a new key at the cost of \$1.00, and you have renewed your membership for 2002 we should have keys available at the November meeting, or you may contact an officer.

We also need to continue our search for another flying site in the event that our current site is sold or developed. There are a few people working at finding new locations and we will pursue any possible leads in our quest, so if you know of some available land or see an area that's looks promising, please let us know.

Also on the agenda for 2002 is membership participation. There have been several occasions in the past year where a few of us would be at the field on a beautiful afternoon and we couldn't help but ask ourselves, "where is everybody?" I would like some input or suggestions on what we could do as a club to get members down to field a little more often, whether it be a club only event or something bigger. Lets get out and have some good old fashion fun. Share any ideas you may have at a meeting or send me an e-mail or call me. I'll listen to all ideas, O.K?

The last major item on my agenda would be appointed positions, we will need volunteers for appointed positions, and please if you are considering volunteering for a position think it through, because we as a club count on these positions to complete the task of running this club, we need people to follow through on items that fall into their category, and no one will have to work alone, we as officers will certainly do

our part, but we need people to see their respective tasks through, and follow up on things that need more attention, and by all means participate in club meetings or contact officers with questions or requests. The job is so much easier when there is communication.

I would just like to mention one final item of my agenda for next year. Over the past year I have gotten a few phone calls and e-mails informing me that there was a problem at the field due to vandalism. I appreciate the fact that I have been informed of these acts but please remember I live in Bedford and I am at least 20 minutes away from the field. If anyone sees a problem at the field that requires immediate attention, whether it be graffiti on the trailer or cables being cut at the entrance, take it upon yourselves to take care of the problem if you see one. If you have to purchase supplies, get a receipt and turn it in at the next meeting and you will be reimbursed for your expenses. I don't get to the field as often as I would like and just don't see everything. We all have a responsibility as members, it is not just the administration's job. O.K. Thanks, Glen



SEASONS GREETINGS

On behalf of my wife Debbie, our kids Ian, Paige and Shannon, I would just like to take this opportunity to wish all members and their families a Happy and Joyous Holiday Season and may you be surrounded by family and friends throughout the year. With the Holidays fast approaching that also means that it's time to elect club officers and give your approval or denial on whether the current officers met their obligations to their respective positions. There is also a proposal from Dave Sigillo and his wife to hold an open house Holiday Party for the club and family at their home. This is a very gracious offer on behalf of the Sigillo's and I will leave it up to the club decide if members would prefer a little change for the holiday party or if you would prefer our usual pizza and soda party at the community center. No matter where we decide to hold our party we will once again have the Yankee Swap and in the interest of fairness to all members who attend "gag gifts" are fun but as the infamous DARREL THE GREAT once said, "purchase a gift that you wouldn't mind taking home yourself." The rules will remain the same as in years past a minimum of \$10 and a maximum of \$20. Please try and be a little creative and keep it hobby related and remember tools usually go over real big! Have a great holiday season and we hope to see you soon. *Glen*



VP Nomination for 2002

I'd like to thank Dave Annicelli for nominating me for the VP slot in 2002. The nomination process was funny this year. Jerry Lavoie was ready to nominate me but Dave beat him to the punch. In any case I've been asked to run for positions over the years and ready to become more active with what I feel is a great flying club. The rest is up to the club members and I ask for your blessing.

A little bit about me. After a summer vacation in 1998 my son Mike continued to express interest in R/C flying. During a web search we found the NHFT. After a prompt reply from club president John Lavery, we began visiting the field. Ken Boucher and Jim Gabour gave us a great overview of the hobby and put on a flying demonstration. During another visit Roger Gagnon and John Clark brought Mike to a flight station and had him turning a glider down field in minutes. We met the likes of Charlie Barbeau and Jerry Lavoie who were also a big help in answering questions and making us feel at home. By January 1999 we were voted in and ready to go with a great used set up offered by Dave Annicelli. Dave probably offers some of the best deals in town and he has since offered Mike and me deals we simply

can't refuse! During the winter months the club had an online message board called Delphi. I again received valuable information from club members and by training season Mike was ready to fly. He soloed in July 1999 and I soloed the following year. Although this is the most nerve racking thing I've ever tried, it's also great fun. Mike speaks for himself at the field today, now 14yrs old and a fine pilot.

My reasons for running for an officer position are quite simple. I want to pay back this club for your time and assistance by devoting my time and assistance. I have learned over the years that running a club and making it successful is impossible without club leadership and participation by the membership. My plan is to oversee a flying site committee and establish a format this club can use to secure flying sites for years to come. Secondly, I would like to coordinate and participate in the annual picnic that club members look forward to each year. Third, I want to help our club officers in any way possible.

Running a club is no easy task and it's easy to reach the burn out stage. Aside from these goals I want to fly and help with the training program. Flight training is important to our non proficient members and the reason why they choose our club.

Thanks NHFT for a great three years.

Paul Pazolt

Holiday Party !!!!!

Dave and Jane Sigillo would like to host this years holiday party at our home in Methuen, MA. Ideally, a Saturday or Sunday prior to Christmas would be best for us but we're open to suggestions and dates. Wives, spouses, significant others are encouraged to attend. Let's discuss this at the next meeting.

Dave

Club Calendar for 2001

November Meeting - Election of Club Officers.

December - Annual Christmas Party.

From the Editor

Any comments or suggestions will be greatly appreciated, and if anyone has anything to contribute please mail to:

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Deadline for submissions: December 17th