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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, September 26th 7pm
at the
Marion Gerrish Community Center

Toys For Tots Fly-in Sunday Oct 14th

The Southern NH Flying Eagles and the town of Merrimack invite you to a Toys

for tots fly-in to be held at the Drobysh Patterson RC flying field off Griffin St, Merrimack NH. 10am to 5pm. Registration starts at 9am. Landing fee for AMA RC pilots is an unwrapped \$10 toy. Raffle prizes will also be awarded

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

August 2001 Minutes.

Meeting began at 7:00 p.m. with 17 members and one guest.

Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

Discussed Ed Burie's proposal for a frequency scanner. Motion was tabled until more information was gathered.

Glen Bolsers motion for the Handbook and Flight boundary updates. Was tabled until a later date.

We discussed the new possible flying site at the Hidden Valley RV/Golf Park.

Dave Sigillo will send a letter to the Robert Frost farm requesting a meeting for a possible flying site.

Dave Annicelli proposed to move the October meeting to the 24th due to the regular meeting falling on Halloween.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I would like to dedicate this newsletter to the memory of all those who were killed on Tuesday September 11th, and to all the families affected by this tragedy. Although this country suffered greatly, may this event only serve to make us stronger. God Bless America.

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Hi Everybody.

I hope all of you that were able to attend the Club Picnic enjoyed your day and the good food. Hopefully you made a new friend or two and also got to meet other family members who are normally not at the field. I must admit that I was a little nervous at the beginning of the day, due to a tricky wind that seemed to catch a few people off guard. If I gave some people the wrong impression, or rubbed them the wrong way, I apologize, but please keep in mind that there were several visitors at the field some of them young children and I did not want to see anyone get hurt.

Although we had managed to make it through the summer with only minor vandalism, the local "trash" has once again become bored with their other activities and decided to come pay us a visit. They have constantly knocked over the porta-potti, (which has since been removed for the season), and in their last tantrum of boredom, they have once again destroyed the impound area, so we will again have to rely on the old "stand by method" of frequency clips, and the "T" bar for frequency control at the field. We will address the impound board in the spring as we did this past spring. If you are unfamiliar with the requirements of a frequency clip, there is an example of one in your club handbooks. If you cannot find the example, just ask someone at the field what you need.

It's once again Fall, which means a few things to us. The training season will shortly be coming to an end, our club meetings will be held indoors at the Marion Gerrish Community Center, and it gets darker a heck of a lot sooner. It also means we will

need volunteers to run for club officers, as well as appointed positions. Nominations for club officers will take place at the October club meeting, so if you wish to run for office or volunteer for an appointed position be sure to make your intentions known. I may or may not be at the September meeting, depending on babysitting arrangements. If I am unable to attend, the meeting will be in the capable hands of the V.P. Dave Annicelli. Thank You, Glen

TOYS FOR TOTS

I know in the recent weeks we as Americans have showed our support for our Country, and those that are in need, and may we never forget September 11th, 2001 for a very long time to come. There is another noble cause for which I would appreciate the Club's support. On October 14th, the Flying Eagles Club in Merrimack is having a fly-in event to help out the less fortunate children of our great country through the "TOYS FOR TOTS" program, what I would like to see is a great turnout from our club, but if for whatever reason you are unable to attend, here is an alternative way to help out. The criteria for a donation to the Toys for Tots is a minimum of \$10 unwrapped toy, so if you would like to help out, please bring a toy to the September meeting and I will deliver the donated toys to Flying Eagles event. If you do not have time to get out and purchase a toy, or are unsure what to purchase then I will ask for money donations at this month's meeting and purchase toys with the money collected at the meeting, and I would appreciate whatever donations you can afford. Let's do our part to help out the kids so that they may have an enjoyable holiday season, especially in these trying times. There are few greater joys in life than watching a child's expression when opening a gift on Christmas morning. Thank you, Glen

PROP SAFETY!

I would just like to remind all members why we have rules regarding where you should position yourself while running our compact but yet very powerful R/C engines. I was at the field a few weeks ago, on a Sunday afternoon. There were a few other members at the field and a visitor with his young son who were enjoying the day and viewing some of the aircraft that were there. I was getting ready to start up my Ultimate with a Saito 1.20 when I noticed the young boy off to my left in the direct line of my prop, so I stopped what I was doing and kindly asked him, and his dad to take a few steps back for safeties sake, and boy am I glad I did. After starting my engine and tuning it, I was running it up one last time and I had just reached full RPM, and then with no warning, the engine came to a violent and abrupt stop which sent the various prop components rocketing away from my aircraft. The parts traveled forward and to the right due to the rotation of the engine. I was sure glad that I had asked those folks to move away, and certainly glad that I was behind the plane when this event occurred. The reason the engine had come to such a violent stop was due to the exhaust valve failure which had broken and stopped the piston. So please remember that rules are in place for a reason, and try not to get too complacent and lose respect for the aircraft we fly, because that may be the time when it will reach out and bite you. Fly safely and have fun, Glen

FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT

I would like to propose that the October meeting be changed to Oct. 24 due to the fact that the regular meeting falls on Halloween. There are some members that will not be able to attend due to family commitments. Seeing that this is the meeting for nominations, I feel that this will give all members a chance to attend and submit their nominations. Dave

FLYING SITE UPDATE

A flying site committee was discussed and approved at the August meeting. The committee includes Mike Hayes, Dave Sigillo, and Paul Pazolt. It is our goal to continue where last year's committee left off and attempt to locate a new home for the Flying Tigers. If you are interested in assisting with this effort please contact me at paulpaz@mediaone.net or by telephone.

As a recap, a committee was formed in 2000 after learning our site went up for sale by land development owners. The committee focused on the Derry landfill and other sites without success. Unfortunately the state EPA requires that the landfill be reworked to bring methane gas measurements within acceptable tolerances for what would be considered safe public use. Due to the costs involved the town council voted against the expenditure last September and does not anticipate changing their decision.

Mike Hayes got the ball rolling again by identifying a possible flying site in East Derry, not too far from the Derry rotary. The owners received a proposal from the committee and interested in the idea of RC flying. The land owner has two sites available. The committee will meet with the land owner for more discussions and a site study to determine specific dimensions. As a comparison we'll use dimensions of our current site and the AMA's recommended flying site specifications. Should the site in East Derry prove feasible the committee would then outline agreements and costs with the land owners, concluding with input from club members and a vote to proceed (or not).

In parallel Brian Greenfield identified a key contact involved with the Robert Frost Farm in Derry. Dave Sigillo shared a letter written on behalf of the club at the August meeting and has since mailed it to contacts who manage this historic site. Dave will continue investigating this property as a possible flying site. Thanks Mike and Dave for your efforts.

If anyone has flying site possibilities please contact me, or one of the committee members. We'll update the membership each month to keep you informed of our activities.

Thanks, Paul



FOR SALE

Midwest Citabria 80" span with OS Max FSR 60 2 cycle. Very low time on engine. Includes 5 Hitech S300 servos and one Futaba S148. Hitech servos are practically new. Monokote covered in red, white and blue. Cow1 needs to be finished. No receiver no battery. Has been test flown, flies at half throttle. \$350.00. Contact John at 603-432-8940 or rc.addict@verizon.net

Club Calendar for 2001

October Meeting, Nominations for Club Officers.
Late Fall (proposed club auction)

Upcoming Events

October 6th and 7th, no rain date
Granite State IMAC Challenge 2001
Hosted by the CAGS RC Club – Hopkinton <http://www.angelfire.com/nh/gsimac/>
for the latest details and sponsor information
Open to non-IMAC pilots is BASIC class.
See John Marien (jmarien@pumatech.com)
or Dan Wilder for info.
This is an AMA sanctioned event.

Oct 13-14 Nashua, NH (603) 598-8943
3rd Annual Fly Market EEA 336

Oct13 -14 N Hampton, NH (603) 964-6749
EAA Pumpkin Patch Breakfast



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: Depending on which
Wednesday the meeting is scheduled for, October 15th
or October 22nd