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The Monthly Newsletter of The New Hampshire Flying Tigers Radio Control Club

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**This Month's meeting will be on
Wednesday, June 26th, 7:00 pm at the
Field, Derry, NH**

What's Happening

**A couple of email messages have been sent to
all members over the last month. If you did
not receive any, please advise the editor if
your email on the enclosed roster is incorrect.**

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Meeting began at 7:05 with 24 members present.
Treasurer's report was read and accepted.
John Stevens gave an update on the training program.
John Lavery reminded everyone of the safety procedures.
It was announced that the newsletters are now on line.
Ed Burie offered server space for the clubs web site.
Volunteers are needed for the July fun fly. See Ed
or John L.
Ed Burie proposed \$300 for the fun fly.

Meeting closed at 7:25

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello to all of you. Well, we are into full swing on the flying front and I hope most of you have had a chance to fly between the rain and the wind. I know there haven't been too many good days. I have managed to make it to the field at least once a week to fly and take care of a few items that needed attention. While I have been at the field I watch people and their habits in the pits and while they fly. I can't help it, it's my job and I must admit there are some things that I just do not like, so I will start with those items.

The frequency control board is there for a reason and MUST be used to secure your frequency. This should be the first thing you do, no matter how many members are at the field. Yes, even if you are alone at the field, you never know when someone else may show up to fly. Also, under no circumstances are you allowed to taxi your aircraft back to the pit area after a flight, shut it off once you have reached the taxi way and walk it back to the pits, there are reasons for these rules, and simply stated if any individuals cannot follow these rules they will no longer be welcomed at the field. I know this may sound a little harsh, but I am tired of people who think the rules don't apply to them or that because they are the only one at the field, why should they have to follow them. Every member is responsible and liable for the behavior of your aircraft. The club rules and guidelines help you carry out that responsibility, and part of being a club member is knowing both the club rules as well as the AMA rules. Accidents do happen, but you don't have a leg to stand on if you didn't follow the rules.

Most hobbies and sports have rules to ensure the safety of others and yourself. Even in golf, you're supposed to yell "Fore", before driving the ball if someone is near the fairway.

Now that flying season is in full swing we need members to help out with a couple of items. First would be cutting the grass which should be done at least twice a week, and remember the reason we cut the grass as short as we do is for the benefit of the trainees whose aircraft usually have a hard time building up speed when the grass is too tall, I have cut the grass several times since April as well as repairing the picnic tables, and taking care of anything else that needed attention, but now it's time for the membership to step up and help out, and take a little pride in the club and the field conditions. We also need instructors to help out with training whenever possible. We have a good group of students and Tues and Thurs remain very busy evenings. If you could help out it would be greatly appreciated.

Glen

Rich Bono submitted the following. Some of you may have heard about this already:

Hobbyist killed by his radio-controlled plane
Associated Press
May 20, 2002 12:00:00

TUCSON - A man died after the radio-controlled plane he was operating crashed into his chest, authorities said.

It appeared sunlight caused Roger Wallace of Tucson to lose sight of his six-pound airplane, said Jerry Knebel, president of the Southern Arizona Modelers, a radio-controlled airplane club.

Wallace, 60, was operating the plane with other club members Saturday near the Pima County Fairgrounds. He was pronounced dead at the scene, authorities said.

"This was just the freakiest of freak accidents that could possibly happen," Knebel said.

From the VP

During the May meeting the membership asked club officers to decide how we manage our website. As Rich Bono explained our current site location was being discontinued. Two options existed for our website. One was to move our homepages to another free website. Another option was to use a free server on a T3 line offered at no charge by Ed Burie. The officers discussed options available and decided to try Ed's server. During some test runs the site was found to load very quickly and

is available 24/7 with back up in case of power failures. There is ample disk space to move our pages over, with plenty of space for pictures, video, etc. Newsletters will be uploaded and available in PDF format, with a pointer to a free PDF reader if you need it. There are no banners and our data will be backed up on a regular basis. Should we have to move this site in the future, Rich Bono has found free space on angelfire.com that could also be utilized. Mike Hayes and others expressed interest in helping to keep the website updated. We can discuss this more at the June meeting. The site move will be invisible to visitors and our domain name will remain as is.

A special thanks to Ed Burie, Rich Bono, and Mike Hayes for your inputs over the past month.

Paul

Handbook Proposal

The good news is our club handbooks are available and being issued at monthly meetings. Please see me or Dave Annicelli if you need an updated handbook. The bad news is I gave John Marien the wrong version site map, showing the AT&T access road as no entry. This is incorrect, we can use that entrance. I propose that we eliminate the text. We can vote on this at the June meeting. I apologize if this caused any confusion.

Paul

Upcoming Events

Southern NH Radio Control Club Weight Lifting Challenge, July 28th, at Wagner Field, Hudson, NH. Contact Darrell Wagner at (603)882-8598 for details, or visit www.snhrc.org.

From The Editor

Any comments or suggestions will be greatly appreciated. If anyone has anything to contribute please mail to:

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Deadline for submissions: July 22nd
Web Newsletter: The club newsletter is available on the web at: www.nhflyingtigers.com