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GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday
November 16th
7: 30 PM

Derick Veliz Aerial
Photography.

Find out what's new in the field of aerial photography. Derick has been teaching and taking pictures for over five years.

Elections for 2006 will be held at this meeting. Your vote makes a difference.

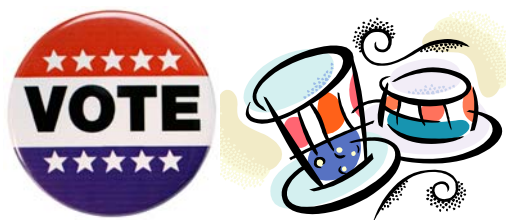


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NOVEMBER RAFFLE

First Prize

Bench top drill press



Second Prize

Transmitter Case



and
WON
a
COOL TOOL
for
Show-n-Tell

President's Letter

It's always best when I can use my President's Letter to talk about flying my latest plane or some great event. It is even fun for me to talk about an occasional crash. That part is easier when someone else is on the sticks.

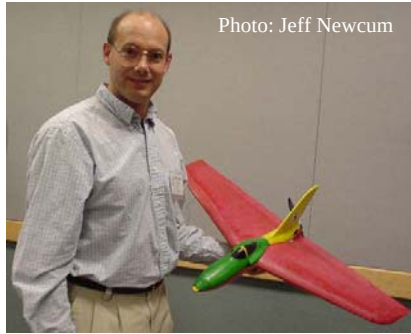


Photo: Jeff Newcum

Well this month I don't have too much of that stuff to talk about. I did put together a Pico Stick F to fly indoors or in my back yard. I had it finished for three weeks before it was calm enough for a test flight. It is nice to hang out on the front steps and fly it around the circle in front of the house (not quite as fun as a 300 watt Zagi).

I think the best real use of the November Letter is to thank some of the volunteers who helped lead the club this year. I want to highlight a couple of the many people that have helped out – I don't have room and I don't think I could even remember all the people that played a part.

I think we can all agree that David Spielman has done a great job putting together these Newsletters (even putting up with my late entries). Someone who I don't think gets near enough credit is Joel Foner. Joel is taking our web site to new levels. The media site is a great addition and there are many areas where he is putting in more time than most of us realize.

Many of the officers have taken on multiple roles like Tracy CD'ing the RES contest and Ken managing the auction along with supplying food at a number of planned and unplanned events.

I have more people to thank and if I don't get to fly too much next month, I will do that in my last letter. As for now if I write much more I will surprise David and mess up his layout.

Safe flying (or boating if the weather keeps up) and many happy landings,

-Andrew Johnsen

Treasurers Report

TREASURER'S REPORT

Report Date 10/31/2005

Starting Balance 09/30/05	
Checking	\$3,544.90
Savings	\$921.20
Cash Box	\$25.00
PayPal Acct	\$365.97
CD Accounts	\$4,528.94
Total Starting	\$9,386.01
Income	
Raffle income, Aug.	\$59.00
Raffle income, Sept.	\$57.00
Interest: Savings	\$0.47
Total Income	\$116.47
Expenses	
Natick VFW, Auction '05 hall & bartender, #1450	\$150.00
Ken Antonellis, Oct. raffle/auction '05 prize, #1451	\$250.47
Tracy Clark, Newsletter expenses, #1452	\$109.19
Account fee -Savings	\$5.00
Total Expenses	\$514.66
Ending Balances	
Checking	\$3,151.24
Savings	\$916.67
Cash Box	\$25.00
PayPal Acct	\$404.51
CD Accounts	\$4,528.94
Grand Total Ending 10/31/05	\$9,026.36

-Scott Anderson



OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING NOTES

Secretary's Report: October 2005 General Meeting

Andrew Johnsen opened the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

The Secretary's Report and the Treasurer's Report were both approved as written in the September 2005 newsletter.

Field Reports:

Davis Field – is in good shape, football lights are still up. As of Nov. 6, games are over for the season.

Medfield – Because of recent heavy rains, road to field was flooded, but the field is ok.

Millis Field – Field is also in good shape.

Old Business

Membership: John Nilsson Reports:

- We have 141 renew members
- New members 21
- Total 162
- Fritz Bien volunteered to attend the next BOD meeting at the Sudbury Library.
- Thanks to Tom Bauer for running the Electric Fun Fly on October 1, a good time was had by all.

New Business

- The fall auction site is the VFW hall in Natick. CRRC has reserved November 13 as the date.
- Fritz Bien has printed new membership cards for 2006.

Raffle

- First prize went to Jack Buckley FMA M-5 receiver, two Hitec HS-81 servos.
- Second prize, A gallon of fuel.
- Show & Tell prize went to Tomer Jackman – A cool tool.

New Pilots

None

Guests

- Joe Zacame, a long time member (since 1965) from Clinton, Ma. Joe is a friend of John Nilsson.
- Bo Qin from West Roxbury.

Show & Tell

-John Weigel – Curtis Wright Robin scratch built 7.6 oz. pull-pull rudder, sewn hinges, a beautiful job.

-Tomer Jackman – Top Flite Corsair, K & B 60 size engine. Looking to sell it for a friend.



Top Flite Corsair.

-Joe Zacame – Great Planes – Sea Wind Sea Plane. From Tower Hobbies, 71" wingspan, .70-.91 4 stroke, 7 servos.



Joe Macame Float Plane ARF

-Tony Davids – Steven Aero G-Ride, Laser cut 13.5 oz. E Tech 1200, Phoenix 25, HS-55 servos.

A multi tester from You Can Do It Electronics.

A mini Funtana Christian.



Tony Davids' recent acquisitions

-Howard Hager – Park Zone Typhoon, electric, complete with transmitter \$200.00.



Howard Hager's Typhoon RTF

Entertainment of the Night

Jack and Mitch Buckley gave us an exciting talk about their experience at Top Gun, the Nationals, and Mint Julip. Jack with his beautiful Tiger Moth finished 9th at Top Gun in the expert category. His son Mitch with his Thunderbolt finished 12th. Ruanne Crommet entered his first Top Gun competition and did very well. He finished 9th overall in the Pro Amateur Class.

Note of Get Well Wishes

Dave Walter reported at the October meeting that Rick Halet of Maine is recovering in the hospital. We wish Rick a speedy recovery.

Meeting ended at 7:55 p.m.

FEATURED PROJECT

With each meeting, I look forward to seeing the marvelous work that other club members do. October's meeting had some genuinely superb models.

Small and simple planes can make some super projects. Take John Weigle's scratch built semi scale Curtis Robin for instance. It is a stick build, indoor flyer. Its powered by a brushless motor, LiPo battery and painted with dope on tissue.



Semi scale Curtis Robin

Check out the sewn hinges. John says they are simple to make and match the covering. Wow, do they look pretty. It's hard to believe that John did this with a needle and thread.



Sewn elevator hinge

You may have noticed that the grill has quite a bit of detail. It's covered with tissue and clear dope. John noted that the shrinking strength of the dope and tissue

was a bit more than he expected. This put some distortion in the frame that John will later take out.



View of the Grill and motor.

After a few photo ops, John will be flying this and other models at the indoor flying sessions.

-David Spielman

INDOOR FLYING

Indoor flying will be held November 12th 6-10pm, Dec 10th and Jan. 7th, from 9:00 to midnight. The location will be at Teamworks.



The cost is approximately \$10 per night for flyers. You will have to qualify by flying three circles and three figure eights with your plane before being given permission to fly.

From Boston/East:

Mass Pike (I 90) to I 495 North. Take I 495 to Route 9 West to Westborough/Shrewsbury. Stay on Route 9 for approximately 5 miles. Turn right onto Otis Street at Fountainhead Apartments, TEAMWORKS - 200 yards on right.

-Bruce Schneider



UPCOMMING EVENTS



CRRC CLUB ELECTIONS

Elections for 2006 will be held at the November club meeting. Your vote makes a difference.



CRRC holds open elections for all club officers. If you are interested in volunteering for a position in the club, drop a line to one of the board members then show up and volunteer.

GREAT WEATHER!

The seemingly endless rains have ended and we are due for some great fall flying. YES!!

Davis field is free until the spring soccer season starts. Bill Martin field is drying out nicely with no damage to the field.

Free up those weekend schedules and we'll see you at the field.

FROZEN FINGER FUN FLY

The annual FFFF will be held January 1, 2006 at the Bill Martin Field in Medfield. This event is open to all club members and friends. Refreshments and food is served.



Jean-Pierre Riu gets his 2000 Cougar ready for flight at the 2005 FFFF

THE WRAM SHOW FEBRUARY 24, 25 & 26, 2006



Westchester Radio Aero Modelers show information found at www.wram.org.

SCALE AIRCRAFT

Mitch and Jack Buckley entertained us with some pretty exciting stories at the last meeting. Events such as Top Gun don't seem impossible after hearing about Ruane's first time competing. Congratulations Ruane!

Here are some photos of Jack's scale competition Tiger Moth and Mitch's captured Thunderbolt.



Jack received four awards for craftsmanship and scale flying with this Tiger Moth Biplane.

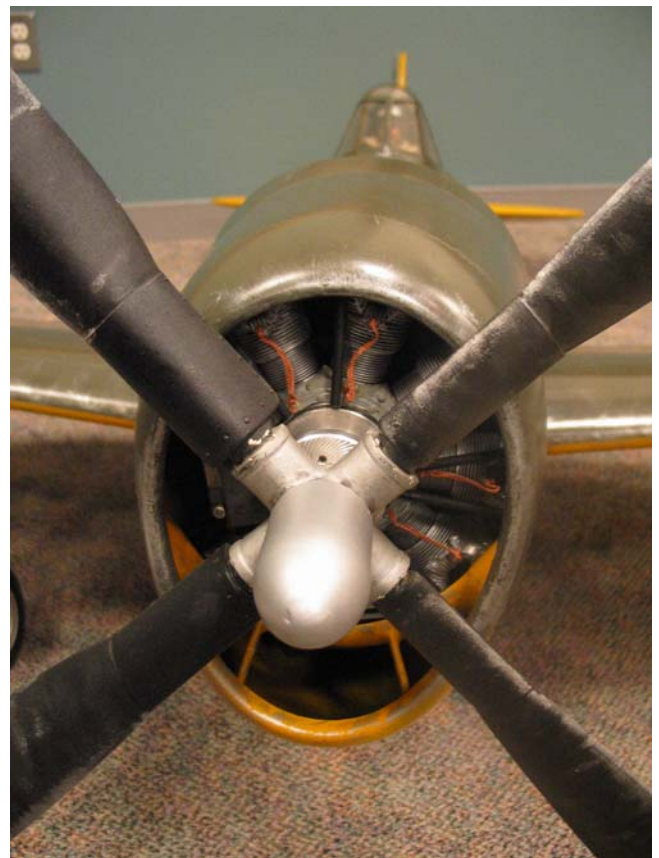
Jack's scale entry has been on the building table for about 3 years now. It's been in two competitions and is almost finished. AMA rules limit the aircraft to 3 seasons before the color scheme of aircraft must be changed.



A close up view shows the pilot and rigging details.



Mitch flew this Thunderbolt at Top Gun. It received high scores for flying, but lost a bit one appearance.



A close up of the cowl shows some of the mock radial engine detail. The wear from many flights shows on the prop and leading edges.

The Buckley's urge you to compete in competitions such as Top Gun to hone your flying skills. There is nothing like this type of competition to bring out the best in your flying ability.

-David Spielman

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R/C HOBBY AUCTION

**12:00 noon, Sunday
November 13, 2005
VFW Hall, Natick, MA**

**Set up and viewing noon to 1:00PM.
Auction 1:00PM to 3:30PM.**

Directions: From Rt.9 and Mass Pike, exit at Speen Street south then east on to rte 135. VFW Hall is on the left about 400 yards along Rt 135.

All modeling items auctioned

Come buy and sell:

**Engines, radios, models, kits, tools
\$1.00 entrance fee includes raffle ticket
for new radio, type to be determined**

(Additional raffle tickets \$1.00 or 3 for \$2.00)
CRRC receives 10% of proceeds from all sales.
Cash only PLEASE! No private sales.

Please see our website for further details:

<http://www.charlesriverrc.org>

CRRC BUILDING AND FLIGHT INSTRUCTORS

This is our list of qualified and willing instructors. Power planes are flown only at the Bill Martin Flying Field in Medfield. Sailplanes and Electrics can be flown at the Davis Farm Field on Rte. 117 in Sudbury. See <http://www.charlesriverrc.org> for directions to the flying fields. If you have any questions about the construction of your airplane, or want to have an experienced pilot pre-flight check your airplane before heading to the flying field, then call any of the building instructors.

INSTRUCTOR TOWN TELEPHONE

POWER:

Chief Instructor:
Ruane Crummett
(Wayland 508-655-2234)

Bob Scott	Norwell	781-982-0268
Pete Young	Watertown	617 923-4184
Ken Antonellis	Natick	508-653-4513
Jon Leehey	Wayland	508 358 5721
Dave Walter	Hudson	508-562-5400
Fritz Bien	Concord	978-369-1720
Neil Kaufman	Sudbury	508-443-9647

SOARING:

Dick Williamson	Sudbury	978 443-8549
Dave Walter	Hudson	978-562-5400
Bruce Schneider	Hudson	978-562-9900
Fritz Bien	Concord	978-369-1720
John Nilsson	Clinton	508-368-7136
Pete Young	Watertown	617 923-4184
Lincoln Ross	Waltham	781-891-0332

ELECTRICS:

Bruce Schneider	Hudson	978-562-9900
Fritz Bien	Concord	978-369-1720
Dave Walter	Hudson	978-562-5400
Derrick Veliz	Acton	978-266-1739
Pete Young	Watertown	617 923-4184
Lincoln Ross	Waltham	781-891-0332

HELICOPTERS:

— None Available at present—

BUILDING:

Ruane Crummett	Wayland	508-655-2234
Fritz Bien	Concord	978-369-1720
Joel Foner	Natick	508-653-3560
John Weigel	Natick	508-653-3560
Pete Young	Watertown	617 923-4184
Derrick Veliz	Acton	978-266-1739

TREE CLIMBERS & MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

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KEY INSTRUCTIONS

The best way to get a Key to Bill Martin Field in Medfield is to email Jean-Pierre Riu or Ken Antonellis. They will send out instructions as soon as they hear from you. Ken Antonellis is the keymaster. Try kxa@verizon.net. Alex of Alex's RC

in Belmont also has keys (have to show him a club badge to get the key). If neither of these pan out then they should be available at the next club meeting.

MEMBERSHIP

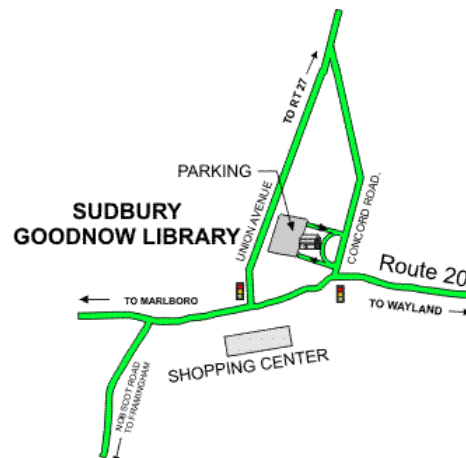
Here are the updated CRRC membership figures as of August 4th. The table summarizes the membership status, and compares recent years.

Year	Renewals	New Members	Peak Totals
1999			135
2000	112	62	174
2001	124	50	174
2002	138	58	196
2003	156	40	196
2004	153	42	195
2005	141	22	163

—John Nilsson

NOVEMBER DIRECTORS MEETING

The next directors meeting will be, Tuesday, November 22nd at 7:30 PM, at the Sudbury Goodnow Library. All club members are invited to attend.





THE CHARLES RIVER RADIO CONTROLLERS, INC

2006 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

AMA Charter 339

THIS FORM EXPIRES ON MARCH 1ST 2006!

Name _____ AMA No. _____

Street _____ Birth Date (AMA req'd) _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____ Tel. () _____ - _____

E-mail _____

To receive membership card and field pass, bring this application to a club meeting, or mail to the membership secretary (address below). You can pay by check or use PayPal. (PayPal to membership@charlesriverrc.org)

This completed form may be emailed to membership@charlesriverrc.org following your paypal payment.

John Nilsson /Secretary CRRC
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Clinton, MA 01510
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E-mail: photoguy205@comcast.net

MEMBERSHIP CATAGORY	Rates starting March 1st
☐ OPEN Member	\$40.00
☐ JUNIOR member, (under 19 before 7-1)	\$1.00
☐ SENIOR member, (if age 60 before 7-1)	\$30.00
☐ SENIOR member, (if age 75 before 7-1)	Free if AMA member
☐ Full time STUDENT	\$25.00
☐ Family member additional to OPEN membership	\$25.00

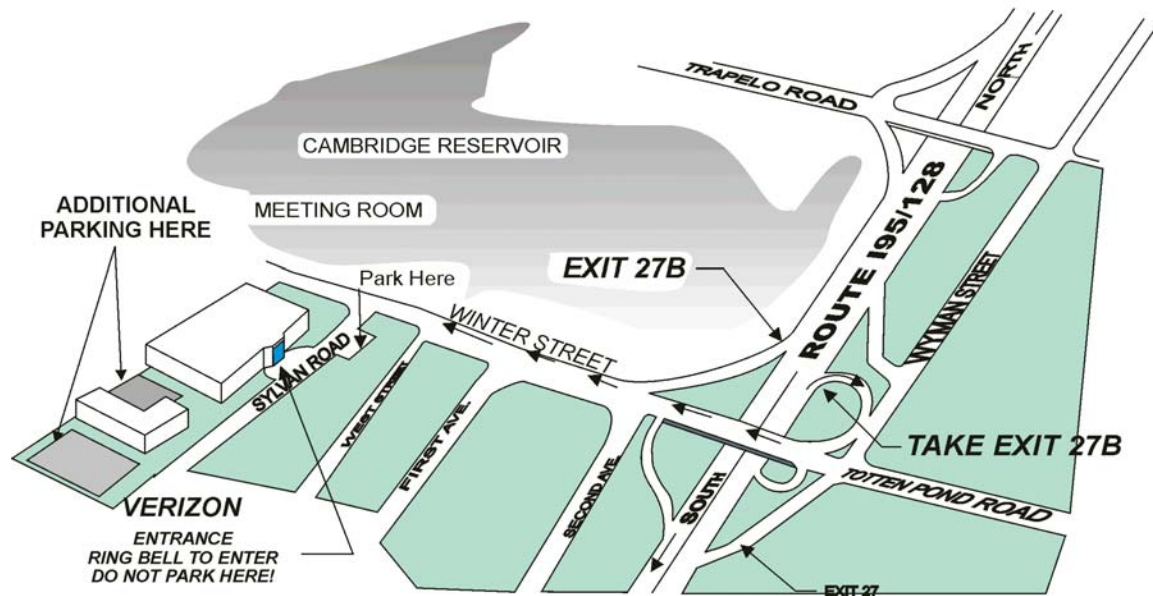
- ☐ I DO NOT want my address to appear in the club phone book

You must be an AMA member in order to receive your CRRC membership card.

To receive your newsletter by us mail, please contact Tracy Clark, newsletter circulation at the next meeting. See the newsletter cover sheet for additional contact information.

Help reduce operating costs by receiving your newsletter on line. CRRC pays roughly \$10 per year for each mailed newsletter subscription.

LOCATION OF MONTHLY MEETING
FOR THE CHARLES RIVER RADIO CONTROLLERS
at VERIZON LABS



CRRC CREATIVE KIDS



Tomer and Roy work together to disassemble a Corsair following the meeting.



David Spielman / Editor