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GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday
July 20th
6:30 PM

The July Club Meeting will be held at **Davis Field** in **Sudbury, MA.** Bring a friend or just come alone. See directions on the last page.

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Upcoming CRRC Events

CRRC 4th of July RC Model Airplane Demonstration
July 4th Davis Field
9:00 AM to noon

CRRC and ESL Hand Launched Glider Classic
July 9-10th Davis Field

CRRC RES and 2-m Sailplane Contest
Sat July 30th Davis Field



CRRC 4th of July Radio-Controlled Model Airplane Demonstrations



Davis Field, Sudbury, MA
Monday, July 4th, 2011
9:00 am to noon



Start your July 4th celebration with a mini RC Air-show
Learn all about this interesting hobby
See expert glider pilots perform precision landings
See hand-launch glider being tossed 100 ft in the air
See helicopters do rolls and fly inverted
See miniature jets perform high speed passes
See airplanes hover in the air and perform 3-D maneuvers
Learn how RC planes are used for aerial videos and pictures

- Pilots: CRRC Members and guests
  For an invitation please contact CRRC
- Must have valid AMA membership
- Electric powered and Gliders only
- Pilots meeting at 8:30 a.m.

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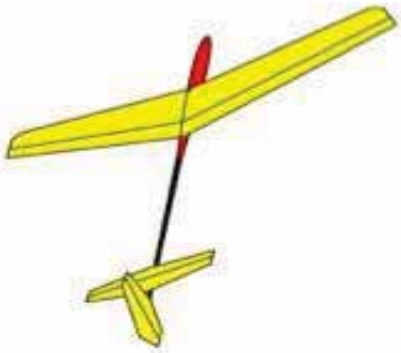
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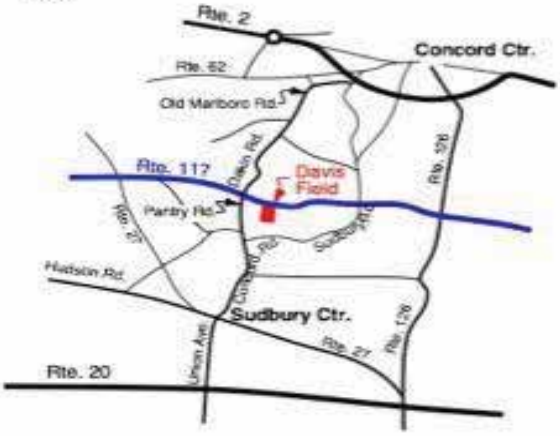
Charles River Radio Controllers and Eastern Soaring League Hand Launch Classic

July 9-10, 2011

Sportsman and Expert Categories
Awards: 1st-3rd place each day
Weekend champion

Davis Field, Route 117
Sudbury, MA





Entry fee: $17 per day, $30 both days
Lunch provided on the field

Advance registration at http://www.flyesl.com/

Check in: 8:00 - 8:45 am
Pilot's meeting: 9:00 am
First round starts: 9:15 am

Rudder-Elevator-Spoiler and 2-m Sailplane Contest

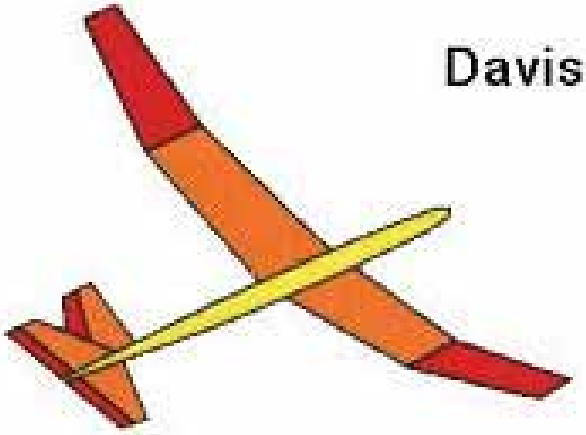
2-meter class will include any built-up or foam plane with a span < 2m

Unlimited class will be RES

Saturday, July 30, 2011

Davis Field, Rte. 117

Sudbury, MA

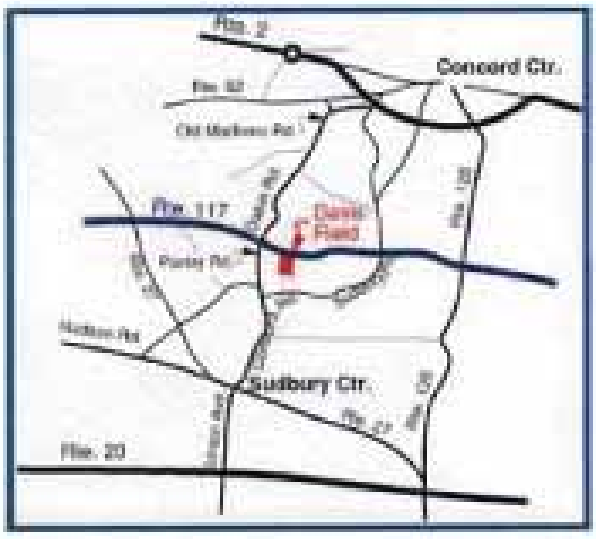


Entry Fee: $15
(includes lunch)
or $20 for both classes

12 V winches/retrievers

Registration at the field: 8-9 am
Pilots meeting: 9:05 am

For more information, contact:
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President's Letter



Collings Foundation Open House

Even though the weather forecast for Father's Day weekend was iffy, it turned out to be great weather for both days of the event in Stow. It was dry on both days. Our guest pilot Cody Wojcik put on another great show with his 150cc and 50cc PAU Extras, as well as his 57" 3DHobbyshop's Extra 330 SC. Several Millis Club members showed up with their warbirds.

Thank you Tony for a great job in organizing the event (and mowing the runway).

Bill Martin Field Incident

An unfortunate incident occurred at the Bill Martin field last week. The Millis club had an event scheduled, but it was cancelled before the event due to rain. During the day some members came out to fly (presumably during breaks in the rain), and the family of one of Millis club members came out to watch the member fly. At some point the pilot lost control of the model and crashed. I do not have any official investigation results as to the cause, but the grandfather (not a member of the club) of the pilot drowned in the Charles River while attempting to retrieve the model from the river. Once an official report is available, I will post it on the Yahoo groups.

Safety on the Ground

It is important to remember to operate model aircraft in a safe manner. It is also important to use caution when retrieving a model after a crash. The woods and swamps around Bill Martin Field can be quite difficult and hazardous to navigate. Retrieving a plane from a tree should be left up to the pros who are experienced at climbing trees. I urge everyone to use extreme caution and common sense when searching for or retrieving a crashed plane. A model airplane, regardless of cost, is not worth serious injury or loss of life.

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– John Eppling
CRRC President

Treasurer's Report

June Activity Report Date 06/30/11

Starting Balance 06/01/11	
Checking	$4,062.00
Cash Box	$25.00
PayPal Acct	$834.96
CD Accounts	$6,861.73
Total Starting	**$11,783.69**
Income - CDs	
Interest June (Not yet posted)	$0.00
Income - Checking	
Membership	$135.00
Alt. Lmt ckts	$340.00
Float Fly Net	$244.00
Total Income	**$719.00**
PayPal Activity (membership income)	**$77.07**
Expenses - Checking	
Medfield field maintenance #1882	$183.16
Total Expenses	**$183.16**
Ending Balances	
Checking	$4,597.84
Cash Box	$25.00
PayPal Acct	$912.03
CD Accounts	$6,861.73
Grand Total Ending 06/30/11	**$12,396.60**

– ***Richard Roy, Treasurer***

June Meeting Davis Field

Business Meeting

President John Eppling opened the business meeting at 6:07 PM at Davis Field, Sudbury, MA. This was our first meeting "on the field" for summer 2011.





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New Business

John E. discussed details about the Collings Foundation event scheduled for the upcoming Father's Day weekend. John has also submitted the 4th of July sanction request to AMA.

Ru reported on a successful Float Fly, held May 21 & 22 at Wayland Town Beach. There were a total of 21 pilots over both days. Proceeds from the event were $396 income, $222 expenses, and $174 net profit.

It was good to see Dick Williamson on the field with crutches. Dick is making good progress following a bicycle accident last month. Dick W. was joined by Dick Roy, also making good progress from his mishap this past winter. Dick R. is down to using an occasional cane.

The business meeting closed at 6:30 PM. The business meeting started early and closed early so all could get down to the real business of flying! Attendance was very good with well over a dozen active CRRC'ers. Jon and Tony did some excellent flying with their big electric helis despite a nice breeze. Flying was slow at first due to the breeze but as the evening progressed and the winds died down, the skies filled with fixed wing flying machines!

New Wings

No new wings.

















Photos courtesy of
Dick Roy and Larry Wetmore

Guest Speaker.

No guest speaker this month. However John Eppling received the following correspondence from previous guest speaker Gordon Johnson.

John,
Nice to see you at the Medfield flying field this evening. Thought you'd appreciate these pictures of the Pitts that was still in the planning stage when I spoke at the CRRC meeting earlier this year. It has ailerons and flies very nicely indoors. Span is 14 inches and weight with Parkzone 4Site equipment and a micro BL motor is 32g. If you wanted to put this in your newsletter as a followup for interested people, the Pitts will soon be available as a kit (I make no profit) from BSDmicroRC.com. So, finally other people will be able to buy a kit of a skeletonized foam plane.







A few weeks ago someone in Roselindale contacted me through my contact info from the Boston Micronauts, looking for a flying field. I pointed him to CRRC. Hopefully it results in a new member.

Regards,
Gordon

Collings Foundation June Open House

Shown below are some photos taken from the Collings Foundation Open House by John Eppling.



















Photos courtesy of John Eppling

A Beautiful Spring Day at Davis Field

Lincoln Ross took a few photos on a recent day at Davis Field.



Fritz launching. Would have glider if not for shutter delay



Find Fritz' glider (it's in there)



That's my s.o., Lila Feingold on left. Bruce Schneider facing away, and I think Miner Crary behind Bruce.



See no evil: Welcome Bender
Speak no evil: Dick WIlliamson
Hear no evil: Helmut Lelke



Miner with his dlg



Dick Roy and Miner's brother



Flightline with three monkeys. Guy in white shirt is Al Marshall

Photos courtesy of Lincoln Ross

CRRC BUILDING AND FLIGHT INSTRUCTORS

To start your flight instruction; please call our chief instructor:

Richard (Dick) Williamson
978-618-5475

Dick will match you with one club instructors. Our instructors are qualified and willing AMA pilots and fellow club members.

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 Brian or any of the building instructors.

Name	Town	Phone	Building	Glider	Electric	Fuel	Helicopter
Dick Williamson	Sudbury	978 618-5475	Yes	Yes	Yes		
Fritz Bien	Concord	978 369-1720	Yes	Yes	Yes		
Tom Bauer	Wellesley	781 235-7344	Yes	Yes	Yes		
Brian Rickman	Marlborough	774 249-2494	Yes		Yes		
Derick Veliz	Acton	978 337-7867	Yes		Yes		
John Weigel	Natick	508 655-2138	Yes				
Richard Gammon	West Boylston	508 835-2049	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Ken Antonellis	Natick	508 653-8369		Yes	Yes	Yes	
Bruce Schneider	Hudson	978 460-0305		Yes	Yes		
Lincoln Ross	Maynard	978 800-0608		Yes	Yes		
John Nilsson	Clinton	978 368-7136		Yes			
Dave Walter	Hudson	978 562-5400		Yes			
Jon Leehey	Wayland	508 358-5721				Yes	
Tony Davids	Stow	978 568-9598					Yes

TREE CLIMBERS, KEYS, MEMBERSHIP & BOARD MEETING

TREE CLIMBERS

Lloyd Keyes: *[Wayland]*
508-358-9197 or 508-341-0110

Paul Harrington *[Medfield]*
508-376-2573

Monkey Man *[Marlboro]*
508-215-4290

Scott: *508-203-3845 [Sudbury]*

Tony Morais
A1 Tree Services [Framingham]
508-626-0088 or 800-657-7788

Stephen Canessa
The tree guy
978-460-1000

Editors Note: If you know of any tree climbers or tree services, please send contact information to the Newsletter Editor

Keys to the Bill Martin Field

To get a Key for Bill Martin Field in Medfield please email Ken Antonellis at kxa@verizon.net. Ken is the key-master. The key for the 2010 season is key #15. Ken will have exchange keys at the meeting. A $5 deposit is required the first time you receive a key. Keys are also available at Hobbytown in Ashland, MA (Valid CRRC membership required)

MEMBERSHIP

Here are the updated CRRC membership figures. The table summarizes the membership status from 2003 through 2010.

Year	Renewals	New Members	Peak Totals
2005	144	20	164
2006	124	26	150
2007	132	32	164
2008	100	23	123
2009	90	28	118
2010	74	22	96
2011			

-Ray Harlan
Membership Secretary

DIRECTOR'S MEETING

The next directors meeting will be, Tuesday May 24th at 7:30 PM., at the Sudbury Goodnow Library. It will be a Skype telephone meeting.

THE CHARLES RIVER RADIO CONTROLLERS, INC

2011 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

AMA Charter 339

Name_____AMA No._____

Street_____Birth Date (AMA req'd)_____

Town_____State___Zip _____Tel. ( )_____-_____

E-mail _____

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

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)

Please make check payable to:

Charles River RC

Ray Harlan
Membership Secretary CRRC
15 Happy Hollow Road
Wayland, MA 01778
508-358-4013

E-mail: membership@charlesriverrc.org

SAVE $5 - EARLY BIRD DUES RATES ARE LISTED

	MEMBERSHIP CATAGORY	On or before Mar 1, 2011	After Mar 1, 2011
☐	OPEN Member	$40.00	$45.00
☐	JUNIOR member, (Under 19 before Jul. 1)	$10.00	$10.00
☐	SENIOR member, (If age 60 before Jul. 1)	$30.00	$35.00
☐	SENIOR member, (If age 75 before Jul. 1)	Free if AMA member	Free if AMA member
☐	Full time STUDENT	$20.00	$25.00
☐	Family member additional to OPEN membership	$20.00	$25.00

Please choose from the options below:

☐ DO NOT include my personal contact information in the club phone book

Help reduce operating costs by downloading the newsletter from the CRRC website.

NOTICE: THIS MONTH CRRC CLUB MEETING
Guests are welcome!

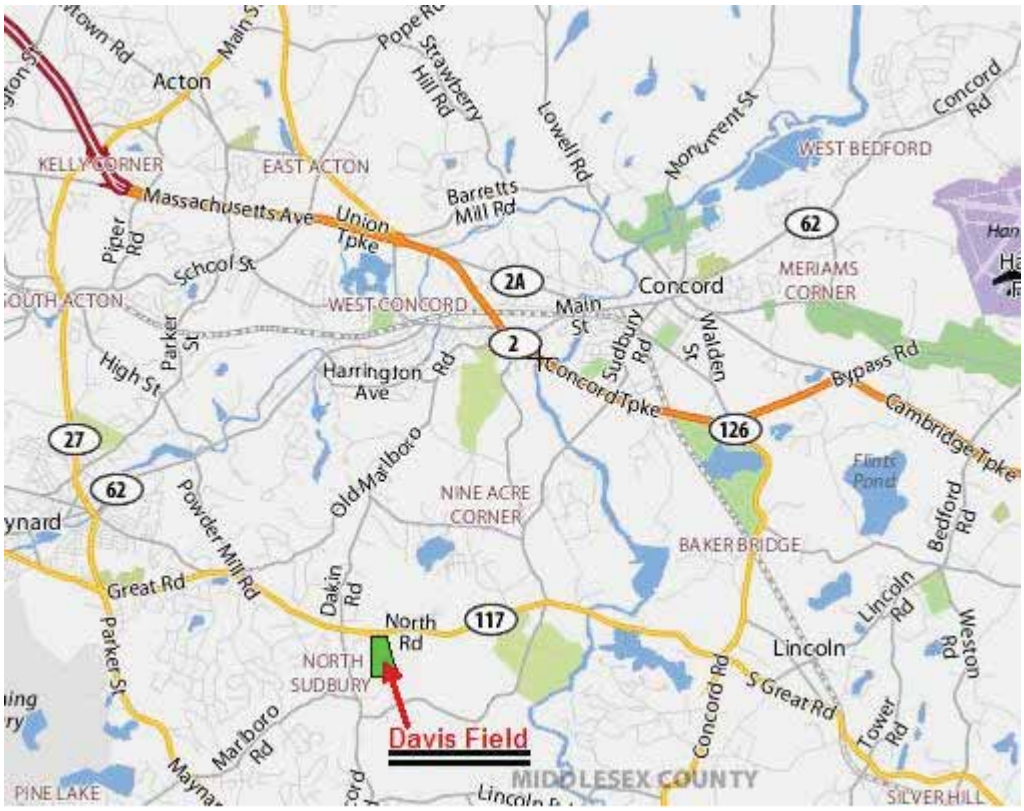
When: ***Wednesday July 20th, 2011 (3nd Wednesday)***
Note: Check for the meeting announcement in our monthly Newsletter.

Time: ***6:30 p.m. (Summer only)***

Where: ***Davis Field, Sudbury, MA – (June, July, August meeting only)***
Note: Starting in September, meetings will be held again at the Sudbury Library

Directions: ***From the West***
Take the Massachusetts Turnpike to Rt. 495 North. Take Exit 27 "Bolton and Stow" off of Rt. 495 and turn east toward Stow. You just stay on Rt. 117 all the way. The field is almost exactly 11 miles from Rt. 495. You will pass the following landmarks:

From the East:
From Rt. 128 (I95), take Rt. 2 west. At second set of lights turn left to stay on Rt. 2 (Mobil station will be on your right after the turn). Turn left at 4th set of lights onto Sudbury Rd (it's the next set of lights after you cross Rt. 126). Follow Sudbury Rd. south to intersection with Rt. 117 (Rossini's Restaurant is on the right at intersection). Turn right onto Rt. 117 going west, follow it for 1.5 miles. Field is on the left.



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