CRRC Flight-Log

November 2013

http://www.charlesriverrc.org

AMA Charter 339

Next General Meeting

Wed Nov. 20, 2013 7:30PM at Goodnow

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CRRC General Meeting Minutes for October 23, 2013

Business Meeting: Dave Spielman opened the business meeting at 7:30 PM at Goodnow Library in Sudbury, MA.

Meeting minutes and treasurer's report from last month's meeting were approved as written in the September newsletter.



Dan Sullivan gave a short report on the recent electric streamer combat contest. Details and photos are in last month's newsletter. We had 5 contestants and managed more mid-air collisions than streamer cuts. The contest was a lot of fun and we will likely have another one next year.

The Annual CRRC Auction will be held on December 1, 2013. Volunteers are still needed to help.

The Board of Directors meeting will be held (Skype conference call) on November 26 at 7:30 PM.

The next CRRC general meeting will be on November 20, at Goodnow library. Plans for future meetings are for a "build night" to demonstrate building techniques (possibly for February) and winter projects night (tentatively scheduled for March).

Field Reports:
Medfield: Field is reported to be in good condition.

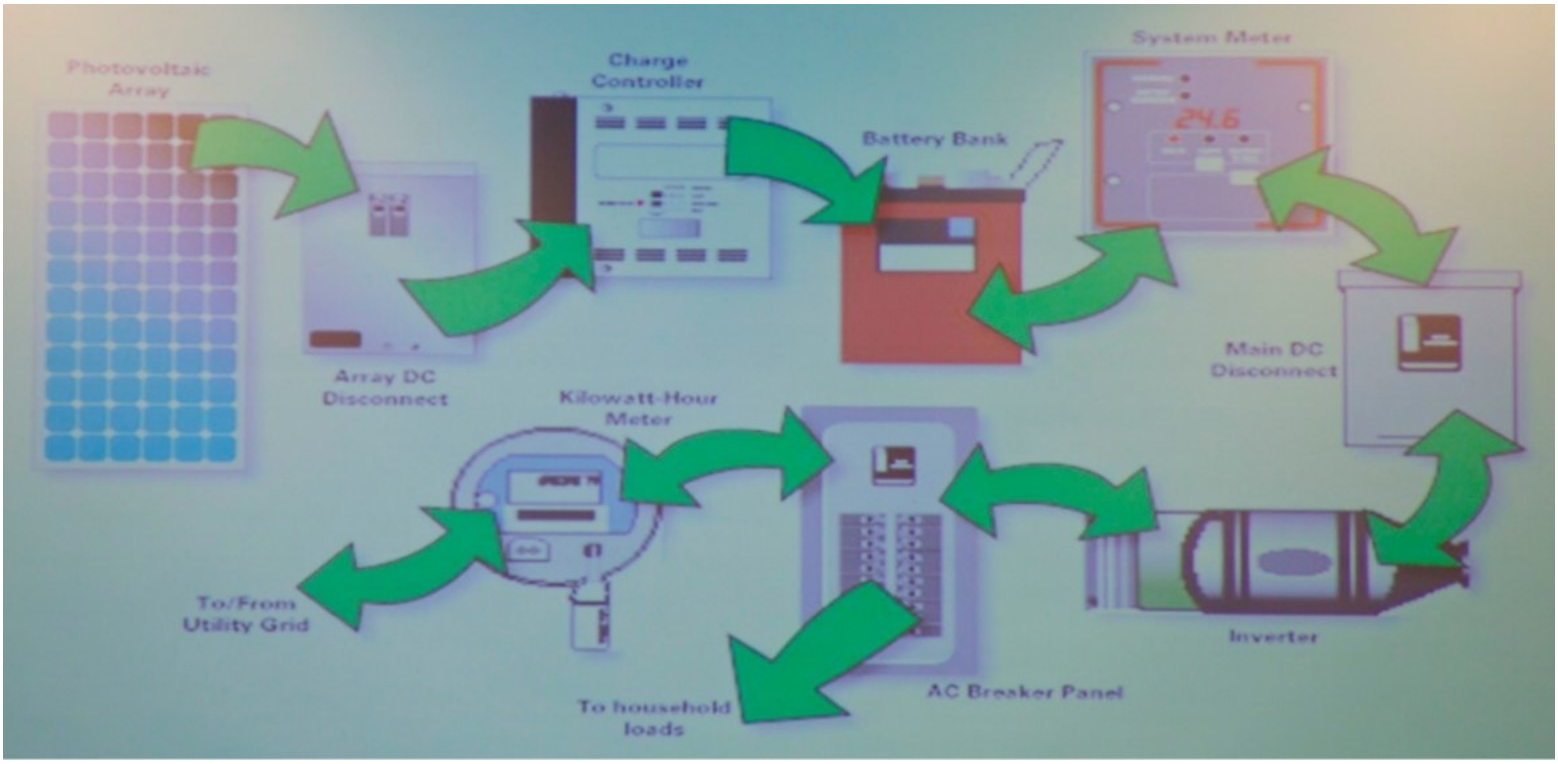
Davis: Davis field is excellent condition. There are kids soccer activities on both Saturdays and Sundays in the fall from 11:30 AM to 3:00 PM. A detailed schedule can be found at www.sudburysoccer.org.

The Business Meeting was closed at 7:50PM

Speaker



Tyler Alcock of Absolute Green Energy discussed his company's activities in installing residential and commercial solar electric systems.





Show and Tell

Paul Daigle had a very impressive and large (8 feet wingspan and 28 lb flying weight) A-1 Skyraider. He has been making it for several years from a Ziroli kit. The plane is complete and ready for its maiden flight.







Al Marshall showed his Horizon Hobby 350 QX quadcopter. This machine has a GPS system and altimeter allowing several different autopilot modes and can also carry a GoPro camera for aerial photography and videos.

Ray Harlan showed a 4-port battery charger Vista Power Quadplay Q6320AC. The charger is capable of charging four batteries of almost any type at one time and can operate on AC wall current or 12 volt DC power.



Raffle Winners



Al Marshall: Turnigy 9x Radio Transmitter



Millan Kupcevc: GWS Pico J3F Micro-sized Piper



Evan Haddington: Flite Test T-Shirt



Flite Test T-Shirt



Charles River Radio Controllers is an advocate for a multiuser field that serves all demographics. Our members range in age from teens to people in their 90's. At times we have grade school members, but like all good things, they age. People with limited mobility have as much fun on Davis Field at those in their teens. And yes, with a little help, Davis Field is handicap accessible.

So what else is up? Have we got things to do before Christmas... How would you like to come to our auction. This is personally one of my favorite events. You never know what you'll find at the auction. There is one thing you'll always find, a bargain. Be quick though or it may be gone.

Presidents letter November 2013

Occasionally we have to speak up and argue for field use. This happens to be our time. Late October, the Sudbury park and recreation department asked us to attend their November 12th meeting and let them know about or position for the development of Davis Field. Sudbury's plans to construct a baseball field on Davis field would have a detrimental effect on flying as well as other on field activities.

Rallying by Bruce Schneider has brought the dog walkers, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, lacrosse, ultimate frisbee and model plane fliers together for a single cause. Save Davis Field! If you showed up at Davis field this past Saturday, you had an opportunity to sign the Girl Scout petition to keep Davis Field an open recreational space. In fact if you showed up at any sporting event over the weekend, the Girl Scouts were there with petitions in hand. The desire of these groups is to preserve this field as a multiuser field for all demographics.

Other development areas will most likely be worked on prior to Davis Field. Ti Sales has space for a large softball field at a much lower cost than Davis Field. Additionally, conversion of one of the Featherland ball fields to a 90 foot baseball field would further supplement the need for full size ball fields. This pushes out the development of Davis Field to at least 2015, but does not guarantee it will be a multiuser field.

When is it? December 1st, well before the football game. Setup starts at 10:00 and the selling starts at noon. Bring your hobby related items, especially RC related. Make up a label ahead of time with your name, description and starting bid. If you forget, there will be cards to attach to your items. Now the important part, be there when your item is up for sale. If you don't like the price, bid to keep your item. The commission is only paid if the merchandise changes hands.

Each year we say no private sales. The same goes this year, but if you do decide to ignore this rule and make a private sale, pay the commission. It's 10% up to a maximum of $10. There are also $20 and under tables that are private sales only with commission. We also have a raffle with a fabulous prize, a model airplane flight simulator with controller. The most important thing at this event is, have fun.

What else is going on? At the November meeting there will be a bunch of good things happening. We'll start with elections. All the incumbents are running for their positions, except for our VP who needs a little break. We won't force you to run for this open position, so please come, vote and enjoy the speaker. Who's the speaker? That would be Neil Kaufman. He will be showing you how to size an electric motor for your winter project. This is something I could definitely use. Lastly, John has some great little raffle prizes.

Fly safely, David Spielman CRRC president

From John Eppling
The November raffle prizes are:

First prize will be the Spitfire MkIa N3162 from Micro Aces.
http://www.microaces.com/product-details.php?id=6#



Second and third prizes will be Turnigy Plush 25 amp speed controllers.
http://hobbyking.com/hobbyking/store/uh_viewItem.asp?idProduct=36903



I'll be bring in some other stuff donated by Sky Andrews over the next several meetings.
Some will be raffled and others will be given away.

Charles River Radio Controllers, Inc.

RC Hobby Auction

12:00 Noon, Sunday
December 1, 2013
VFW, RTE 135, Natick, MA

Set up and viewing: 11:00AM to Noon.
Auction: Noon to 3:30PM.

The Natick VFW is on RTE 135, 400 yards East of Speen Street intersection

All modeling items auctioned
Come buy and sell:
engines, radios, models, kits, & tools.

Tables available for small items which can be sold without an auctioneer.
$2.00 entrance fee
Hot dogs, chips, and drinks for sale!

(additional raffle tickets $1.00 or 3/$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

A recent exchange of emails regarding Davis Field

Hi Bruce, It is likely that the commission will be meeting on December 9th to have an open discussion about what to do with Davis Field. They would at having a few folks from each group come in and have open discussion on what we can do. Not pack the room as that won't be productive to getting the work done. Keep your eyes open on the town website for the agenda about this. the meetings usually start at 6:30pm and unless something changes I would anticipate this happening. Thanks -Nancy

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Nancy,
Thank you and the commission for hearing us all out on the plans for Davis.
I realize it was a crowd, but it is only a small percent of people who love Davis as an open recreation area.
I was impressed by the Girl Scouts who really were not prompted by us to make a petition or even come to the meeting.
Out final thought is that the commission should consider keeping Davis open to all of us and not come up with plans that will interfere with all of the joy, recreation, and learning that takes place at Davis right now every hour of the day. Even backstops would matter where they are placed and could prevent us from safely landing our planes depending on the wind direction.

There will continue to be a concerted effort to get our point across to the park and recreation commission on how passionate you are about Davis Field as an open recreation space.

Some of us from all the groups and neighbors from last night will be at next meeting to reinforce our stand.
Thanks, Bruce Schneider

Hello Nancy,

Thank you for the opportunity to discuss our concerns regarding the preservation of Davis Field at Tuesday night's meeting. You have a great group of people on the committee who seem eager to listen and understand the needs of all the users groups.

You may have noticed that the members of Charles River RC are quite passionate about their hobby. They are also some of the most friendly, supportive and out going people I have known. About a third of our club were there on Tuesday evening to support Bruce and myself present our position regarding Davis Field. You heard from some long time members and some newer members who were there to help you understand the importance of this very unique open space. Among the members present were doctors, engineers, educators, scientists, editors, carpenters, investors and other professionals. These are people who learned about model aviation at all periods of their lives. Davis Field is a place that they come to relax, socialize, recharge and learn and for this reason among others they want to preserve the field.

I've seen your email regarding the December 9th meeting. Bruce and I will contact a few of our members from Sudbury who can help with field plans. In preparation, we'll come up with a map of how we use the field now and areas we are able to change without adversely affecting our ability to do glider and electric plane flying.

It was a pleasure meeting you and look forward to working the the Sudbury Park and Recreation department in the future.

Sincerely,
David Spielman
Charles River Radio Controllers President

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Treasurers Report
October Activity

2013 Activity Report	October
Starting Balance	
Checking	$6,408.81
Cash Box	$25.00
PayPal Acct	$504.19
CD Accounts	$6,914.83
Total Starting	**$13,852.83**
Income - CDs	
Interest	$1.22
Total Interest	**$1.22**
Income - Checking	
Membership	$225.00
Raffle	$60.00
Altitude Limiter Modules	$80.00
Float Fly	$70.00
Total Income	**$435.00**
PayPal Activity	
Membership	
less PayPal fee	
RES Contest	
Transfer To Checking	
Total activity	**$0.00**
Expenses - Checking	
Hand launch - Dick Williamson	-$92.15
Neil Kaufman - Speaker Expenses	$30.00
Total Expenses	**-$62.15**
Ending Balances	
Checking	$6,905.96
Cash Box	$25.00
PayPal Acct	$504.19
CD Accounts	$6,916.05
Grand Total Ending	**$14,351.20**

Dave Marshall
Treasurer

Calendar

November 20, 2013
General Meeting at Goodnow

December 1, 2013
Auction at VFW Hall, Natick
12:00PM to 4:00PM

December 18, 2013
General Meeting at Goodnow

January 1, 2014
Frozen Fingers Fun Fly
at Davis Field

January 15, 2014
General Meeting at Goodnow

February 19, 2014
General Meeting at Goodnow
Work method demonstrations

March 19, 2014
General Meeting at
Springhouse Pond Clubhouse
Winter Projects Night

April 16, 2014
General Meeting at Goodnow

May 21, 2014
General Meeting at Goodnow

June, 2014
General Meeting at Davis

July, 2014
General Meeting at Davis

August, 2014
General Meeting at Davis

General Information

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 2013 season is key #7. Ken may have keys at the meeting. A $5 deposit is required the first time you receive a key.

New Wings

Flying Sites

Go to the CRRC Website and select the Flying Sites tab to see the various sites. The site page will give current weather and site information.

Building and Flight Instructors

To start your your instruction please call the Chief Instructor, Dick Williamson. You will be match with one of the Instructors.
All Instructors are qualified AMA pilots and willing to give assistance to fellow club members.

Types of instruction - B = Building, G = Glider, E = Electric, F = Fuel, H = Helicopter

Dick Willamson - B, G, E
978-618-5475 - Sudbury

Fritz Bien - B,G, E
978-369-1720 - Concord

Tom Bauer - B,G, E
781-235-7344 - Wellesley

Brian Rickman - B, E
774-249-2494 - Marlborough

Derick Veliz - B, E
978-337-7867 - Acton

John Weigel - B
508-655-2138 - Natick

Richard Gammon - B, G, E, F
508-835-2049 - West Boylston

Ken Antonellis - G, E, F
508-653-8369 - Natick

Bruce Schneider - G, E
978-460-0305 - Hudson

Lincoln Ross - G, E
781-891-0332 - Waltham

Dave Walter - G
978-562-5400 - Hudson

Jon Leehey - F
508-358-5721 - Wayland

Tony Davids - H
978-568-9598 - Stow

Tree Climbers

LloydKeyes(Wayland)
508-358-9197 or
508-341-0110

Michael Lynch
(Wayland/Sudbury)

Paul Harrington (Medfield)
508-376-2573

Monkey Man (Marlboro)
508-215-4290

Scott (Sudbury)
508-203-3845

Tony Morais
A1 Tree Services
(Framingham)
508-626-0088 or
800-657-7788

Stephen Canessa
The Tree Guy
978-460-1000

Hartney Greymont (Medfield)
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781-444-1227
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Jason (Davis Field)
978-460-0477

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

2014 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name

Street

Town State Zip

Telephone

E-mail

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

AMA No.

Birth Date (AMA req'd)

To receive membership card and field pass, bring this application to a club meeting, or mail to the membership secretary (address below).

Ray Harlan
Membership Secretary CRRC
15 Happy Hollow Road Wayland, MA 01778
508-358-4013
Email: membership@charlesriverrc.org

Please make check payable to: **Charles River RC**

You can pay by check or use PayPal.
(PayPal to membership@charlesriverrc.org)

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	MEMBERSHIP CATAGORY	On or before Mar 1, 2014	After Mar 1, 2014
☐	OPEN Member	$40	$45
☐	JUNIOR member, (Under 19 before Jul. 1)	$10	$10
☐	SENIOR member, (If age 60 before Jul. 1)	$30	$35
☐	SENIOR member, (If age 75 before Jul. 1)	Free if AMA member	Free if AMA member
☐	Full time STUDENT	$20	$25
☐	Family member additional to OPEN membership	$20	$25

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