



# CRRC Flight-Log

May 2015

<http://www.charlesriverrc.org>

AMA Charter 339

## Next General Meeting

Wednesday May 20, 2015, 7:30PM at Goodnow Library

This month's feature will be a Multi-Rotor Show and Tell, members will talk about there experiences, equipment used, and the uniqueness of their model



## CRRC General Meeting Minutes for April 22, 2015

**Business Meeting:** Dave Spielman opened the business meeting at 7:45 PM at Goodnow Library in Sudbury, MA.

Meeting minutes and treasurer's report from last month's meeting were approved

Membership secretary reports that we have 102 members.

A \$200 expenditure was approved for supplies for the school club that is being sponsored by John Eppling

CRRC hats are available from Brian Rickman for \$15 each

### Field Reports:

The Medfield site is having its lease renewed with the state for a five year term.

The fate of Davis field (development or not) is being decided at a Sudbury town meeting on

**May 4. UPDATE:** The town of Sudbury decided not to develop the field at this time. Thanks to all who helped with the effort to preserve the field in its present state.

### Upcoming events and Schedule

Spring Float Fly will be held on May 16 -17

Wayne McKeil is organizing the event and could use volunteers to assist.

## Raffle Winners



**Bill Howard:** Flite Test Bloody Wonder combat plane kit



**Ed Vrablik:** Flite Test Mini Scout kit



**Bill Northup:** Flite Test Versa Wing kit



**Chuck Kaiden:** Proto-X micro-quadcopter



**Brian Rickman:** Stirring Sticks



**Al Marshall:** Balsarite

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## Winter Projects Show and Tell



**Ed Vrablik** showed a Horizon Hobby VisionAir 3D plane. The plane is now on its second fuselage as the original was smashed during some out of control aerobatic maneuvers



**Jimi Two Feathers** had an EFlite Rhapsody biplane that he bought on EBay. It uses a 4-cell Lipo battery and looks to be a fast flyer.



**Adam Smith** showed his snow skimmer/airboat. He has tried it on snow with mixed results.



**Dan Sullivan** showed his flat foam A-12 delta wing that he made during the CRRC built night. It's most interesting characteristic is the lack of a vertical stabilizer. Two small "drag rudders" provide yaw stability.



**Dick Roy** has a Super Ringmaster RC version



**Dick** also had a Luminaire QAV 250 quadcopter and an FPV Nano QX micro quadcopter.



**Dave Mak** had a small tricopter. The tricopter is built around a Hobby King Trifecta frame that has a gear arrangement to work the thrust vectoring motor in the tail. The machine has a Micro APM controller board and runs on a 1300 MAH 3-cell battery.



**Brian Rickman** had a WeeDevil free flight / RC plane. It's a very small version of a pylon free flight contest model that can be adapted for radio control.



**Brian** also had a small foam "Simple Wing".



**Bill Northup** had a Flite Test Delta wing covered in colored packing tape



**Bill** also had a Nifty plank wing. He reports that the colored packing tape can be purchased a Staples.



**Fritz Bien** had a scratch-built Inland Sport scale model. The model weighs 11 ounces and is powered by a 500 MAH 3-cell battery.



**Dave Spielman** showed a Chickadee balsa sport model that is powered by a 480 -size AXI motor.



**Neil Kauffman** showed his completed A-26 Sky Raider scratch- built scale model. The model is sheeted with two layers of 1/32 balsa and covered with Park Light silver film. The plane uses two Super Tiger motors and a 2400 MAH 3-cell battery.



## Presidents letter May 2015

I'm happy to say Davis Field was saved! After a few years of debate, the Town of Sudbury brought the proposal to renovate Davis Field to the town meeting for a vote. It was a close election with 230 for renovation and 280 against. All the great work people put into the election process worked. Park and Rec meetings, discussions on the field, Save Davis Field Website, petitions by the Girl Scouts and other work people did to get the point across helped voters make a fair decision. It was also the decision that serves CRRC and the community in the best possible way.

We'll have to keep our ears and eyes open to future moves to renovate the field. There are other open areas better suited for baseball fields including Tye Sales and the Malone property. These areas will most likely be investigated by the town and will hopefully be pursued. For now Davis Field remains an open space.

This means our plans for 2015 will continue. The major events planned for Davis Field include the 4th of July open house, the ALES two day contest, the Soar-In two day contest and the

RES one day contest. These events and contests are open to all AMA members. Look for details in the club newsletters, [www.charlesriverrc.org](http://www.charlesriverrc.org), [www.flyesl.com](http://www.flyesl.com) and [www.modelaircraft.org](http://www.modelaircraft.org)

Brian Rickman sent out a Survey Monkey survey that came back with some interesting results. About 50% of the club members fly a electric glider, another 50% fly an electric plane, and almost that many fly a winch launch sailplane. Many of us like contests, but we only want to attend the contest for one day. With that in mind, we added another electric combat contest on Saturday morning of father's day weekend. I know about 20 of us built an electric combat plane back in March. It's time to fit in some flight time to hone your skills. We meet Sunday morning June 21st at 9:00 to 1:00 at the Bill Martin field in Medfield. MMAC members have been invited to attend as well. Join us for a fun Father's day weekend.

Our spring float fly happens this next weekend May 16th and 17th. I hope you can make it. Pilots who fly in the event will have an exclusive opportunity to enter the raffle for a Tidewater RR float plane. Everyone else can enter the open raffle for other great prizes. The drawing is Sunday and there is no need to be present to win. A grilled lunch and refreshments are available for a small fee. Registration starts at 9:00 and is followed by a pilots meeting. \$15 buys a weekend pass. We fly till 3:00. A rescue boat will be at the ready for those less than graceful landings. This event is open to all AMA members.

Fly Safely,  
David Spielman

## May Raffle Prizes



**Mobius camera with  
wide angle lens**

### **Whip It**

<http://www.horizonhobby.com/umx-whipit-dlg-bnf-basic-eflu3150>



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## **Safety Corner May 2015**

Safety corner:

Did I mention cycle your flight packs? Well, I should have listened when I wrote that. At least I used a battery checker before flying and guess what I found... One of my relatively new Elite battery packs wasn't holding a charge. That simple check with the field meter revealed a defective pack. I decided to ground the plane and avoid a crash. Remember to check your flight packs and fly only on a well charged battery. Use a battery tester like the Hobbico voltmeter with tx and rx load. It could save your plane.

Fly Safely,  
David Spielman

# New Hampshire Flying Misfits Open House / Flea Market

Auburn, NH

**Public Welcomed!!!**

## **Flea Market**

- ❖ 10ft x 10ft Area: \$10.00 (Nothing provided)
- ❖ Pre-register to save a spot thru [nhfmrcc@gmail.com](mailto:nhfmrcc@gmail.com) (Information will be given on how to prepay)

## **Open House**

- ❖ 1<sup>st</sup> Synthetic Runway in New Hampshire
- ❖ 250ft Synthetic Runway / 400ft Grass Runway
- ❖ AMA Required for Pilots, Not Required for Introductory Flights
- ❖ No Turbines or Control Lines
- ❖ **Free:**
  - Flying
  - Parking
  - Introduction Flights
  - Simulator Time
- ❖ Handicap parking available
- ❖ Food Available
- ❖ Visit the Website for more Information and Directions:  
[www.nhflyngmisfits.org](http://www.nhflyngmisfits.org)

**June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

Rain Date June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015

**Registration: 9:30am**

**Flying / Flea Market Starts:**  
**10:00am**



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## 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 Williamson - 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  
978-800-0608 - Maynard

Dave Walter - G  
978-562-5400 - Hudson

Jon Leehey - F  
508-358-5721 - Wayland

Tony Davids - H  
978-568-9598 - Stow

## Calendar

May 16 & 17, 2015  
Float Fly at Wayland Town Beach

May 20, 2015  
General Meeting at Goodnow

June 17, 2015  
General Meeting at Davis

June 21, 2015  
Electric Combat at Billy Martin

July 4, 2015  
CRRC Demo at Davis

July 15, 2015  
General Meeting at Davis

July 18 & 19, 2015  
ALES Contest at Davis

August 8 & 9, 2015  
Soar In ESL Contest at Davis

August 19, 2015  
General Meeting at Davis

August 29, 2015  
RES & 2 Meter Glider Contest  
at Davis

September 16, 2015  
General Meeting at Goodnow

September 19 & 20, 2015  
Float Fly at Wayland Town Beach

October 3, 2015  
Electric Combat at Billy Martin

October 21, 2015  
General Meeting at Goodnow

November 18, 2015  
General Meeting at Goodnow

November 29, 2015  
CRRC Auction VFW Natick

December 16, 2015  
General Meeting at Goodnow

# CRRC Flight Log

## 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](mailto:kxa@verizon.net). Ken is the key-master. Effective April 1 the key for the 2015 season is key #4.

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.

### Tree Climbers

**Lloyd Keyes** (Wayland)  
508-358-9197 or  
508-341-0110

Scott (Sudbury)  
508-203-3845

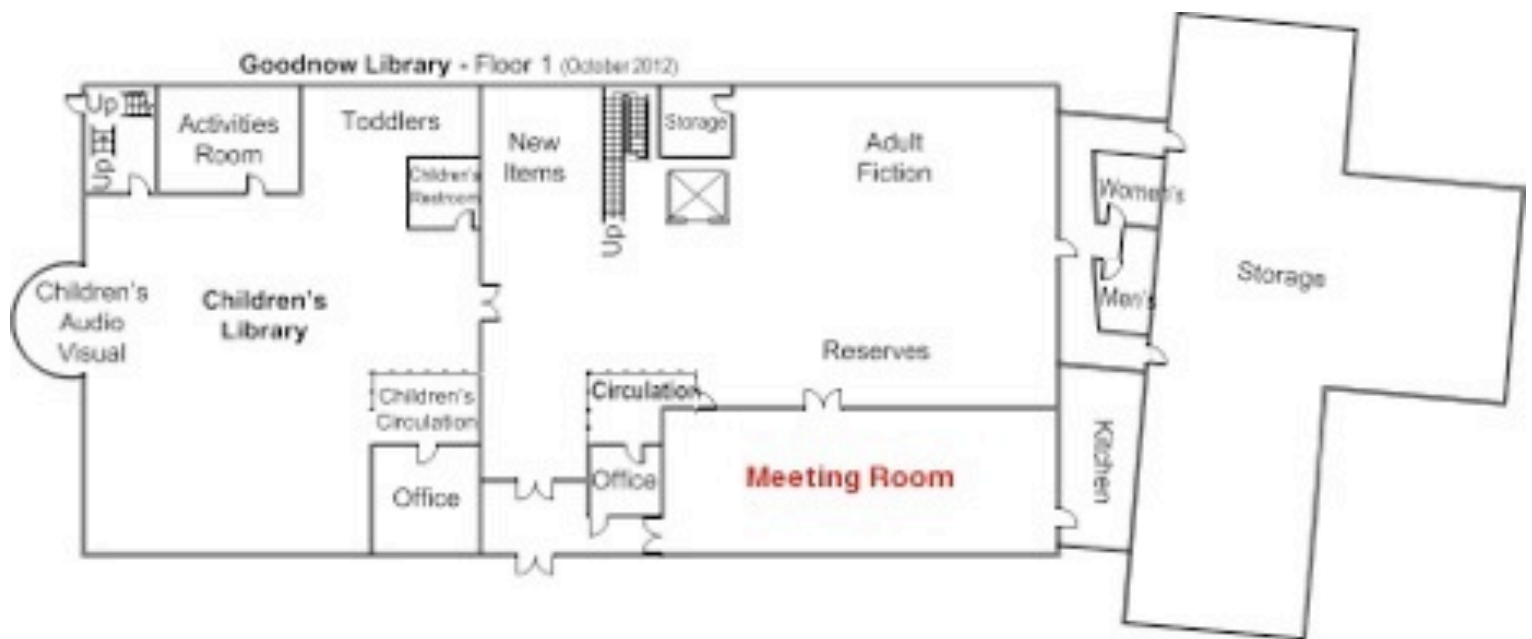
Tony Morais  
A1 Tree Services  
(Framingham)  
508-626-0088 or  
800-657-7788

Stephen Canessa  
The Tree Guy  
978-460-1000

Hartney Greymont  
(Medfield)  
Sean Comer  
781-444-1227

[thescomer@gmail.com](mailto:thescomer@gmail.com)





## October Club Meeting Guests are Welcome

Wednesday May 20, 2015  
7:30PM at the Goodnow Library  
21 Concord Rd, Sudbury, MA 01776



# 2015 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

Junior membership is free apply at <http://www.modelaircraft.org/membership/youth.aspx>

By submitting this membership application you agree to comply with the AMA safety code including documents 550 and 560

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).

**John Epping**

**Membership Secretary CRRC**

**43 Nylander Way, Acton MA 01720**

**781-771-7400**

**Email:** [membership@charlesriverrc.org](mailto:membership@charlesriverrc.org)

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

You can pay by check or use PayPal.

(PayPal to [membership@charlesriverrc.org](mailto:membership@charlesriverrc.org))

## SAVE \$5 - EARLY BIRD DUES RATES ARE LISTED

|                          | <b>MEMBERSHIP<br/>CATAGORY</b>                 | <b>On or before<br/>Mar 1, 2015</b> | <b>After Mar 1, 2015</b> |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | OPEN Member                                    | \$40.00                             | \$45.00                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | JUNIOR member, (Under 19 before Jul. 1)        | Free if AMA member                  | Free if AMA member       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | SENIOR member,<br>(If age 60 before Jul. 1)    | \$30.00                             | \$35.00                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | SENIOR member,<br>(If age 75 before Jul. 1)    | Free if AMA member                  | Free if AMA member       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Full time STUDENT                              | \$20.00                             | \$25.00                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Family member additional<br>to OPEN membership | \$20.00                             | \$25.00                  |

**Please chose 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.**

☐ I DO NOT have access to a computer or the Internet - Please send me the Newsletter via US Mail.