

# GLITCH BUSTERS

October 2022



Photo by Dick Stewart

## Upcoming Events

Annual Freeze Fly - January 1, 2023

General Membership Meeting - January 1, 2023

It is with deep sadness that we report the passing of Roger McClurg on Wednesday, October 19, 2022. Roger, and his family, were great assets to the Delaware R/C Club and model aviation community for many years and will be greatly missed. Deepest sympathy to his wife PJ and son Scott, family and friends. Services will be private.

Obituary available at <https://www.delawareonline.com/obituaries/wnj126943>



The Annual Club Picnic was held on Sunday October 9, 2022 at the Flying Field. The picnic was well attended with many bringing tasty treats to share. Club provided hot dogs, hamburgers, sausage, pepper and onion and drinks. A bit breezy with some cool temperatures but it felt good in the Autumn sun. An active TFR was in place but the Club was granted a temporary waiver to fly between the hours of 10AM - 4PM which many took advantage of and got in some good flying. Fantastic photos were provided by Sam Winder and are available at <https://winder.smugmug.com/Sports/Delaware-RC-Club-2022>

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### **Minutes of the October 2022 General Membership Meeting**

The October 2022 General Membership Meeting was held at the R/C Flying Field and called to order by President Greg Schock at 12:27PM.

**Old Business:** Pavilion repairs have been temporarily put on hold as Greg Schock needs to take care of other priorities. The Club is looking for a volunteer to head up this project. Please let us know if you can assist.

**Treasurer Report:** Treasurer Mike Denest provided the current financial status report to the Club.

**New Business:** It was announced that hunting season is in progress and will last through January 31, 2023. Active hunters may be in the wooded areas. If going into the wooded areas to retrieve down aircraft, please be sure to wear bright colored clothing and make your presence known. In addition, the lock has been removed from the entrance gate until hunting season is over. Hunting season details are available at <https://dnrec.alpha.delaware.gov/fish-wildlife/hunting/seasons> and <https://destateparks.com/Adventures/Hunting>

The Park will be removing the pine tree that broke in half during the storm just prior to WOD last July. The Park will also be inspecting and replacing picnic tables.

Due to rising financial costs to the Club, the Board of Directors has found it necessary to raise the rates of membership dues. The biggest costs is field maintenance, which lowest quote for grass cutting by an outside contractor is \$10,000/yr. With this, membership dues would need to be raised to at least \$150.00 per adult membership. The topic was discussed and two volunteers, Mike Watson and Vic Pugarelli, have volunteered to head up the grass cutting program to keep membership costs down. With this, the Board passed a dues increase to \$100/yr per adult member. The Senior Membership and Associate Membership have been dropped and changes to the Family Membership will be announced in the next newsletter along with amendments to the Club By-Laws to reflect these changes and presented at the January 2023 meeting. The new membership dues rates will go into effect January 1, 2023. Those who renew prior to January 1, 2023 will pay the old rates. Members who renew after March 1, 2023 will be required to pay a \$20 late fee. A new 2023 Membership Application will be posted December 31, 2022.

Elections of Board Officers: President Greg Schock asked if there were any last minute volunteers for the available Board Officer election for Vice-President and Treasurer. With no new volunteers, the current Vice-President (Dave Moyer) and Treasurer (Mike Denest) agreed to remain in office. Brian Pasternak has been named as Secretary.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 12:43PM.



## Delaware R/C Club By-Laws Amendments

A number of amendments to the Club By-Laws are required to reflect the recent changes to Membership Dues and Meeting information. Current copy of the Club By-Laws are available to review at <http://www.delawarerc.org/bylaws/bylaws.pdf>

The following amendments, highlighted in yellow, are proposed and will be voted on by the membership at the January General Membership Meeting.

### ARTICLE 7 - TERMS OF OFFICE

- 1 All elected officers of the Club shall serve for two (2) years from date of their election.
- 2 President and Secretary will be elected in odd-numbered years, and the Vice President and Treasurer in the even numbered years
- 3 Officers are to be elected by a vote of simple majority of those present at the **regular Fall meeting.**
- 4 Nomination of Club officers shall be made at **the Summer General Membership meeting.** Nominations for office may be made by any active Club member holding voting rights, either in person or by submitting a proxy nomination to an existing officer. All known nominations for office will be published in the newsletter prior to the election.
- 5 A secret ballot is required for elections, unless waived by a simple majority vote of the members present at the meeting.

### ARTICLE 12 - MEMBER STANDING

- 1 All persons shall be eligible for membership, and shall agree to abide by the Club's bylaws, and those of the AMA.
  2. The membership shall be divided into the following categories:
    - a. **Adult Full Member:** Is nineteen (19) years old or older, and has full privileges and voting rights. Dues: Full Member rate (requires AMA **FULL** Membership).
    - b. **Junior Member:** Is eighteen (18) years old or younger, has full privileges and voting rights. Dues: Junior Member rate (requires AMA **YOUTH** Membership).
    - c. **Family Membership:** Includes all flying members of the immediate family (spouse and children). They have full privileges and voting rights (1 vote per family). Children are included until their 19th birthday. AMA membership required as noted below.
- 2 **Adult Full** Members will be required to hold and maintain a **Full AMA Membership** license issued by the AMA. **Junior Members** will be required to hold and maintain a **Youth AMA Membership** license issued by the AMA. All first- time flying member applicants, as well as present flying members seeking membership renewal, must show proof of current membership in the AMA.
- 3 If any flying member ceases to have the qualification necessary for membership in the AMA, his/her membership in the Club shall be reclassified as an **Expired** member, subject to reinstatement upon restoration of eligibility.





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## **From the Editor**

If you would like to submit an article, photos, suggestions, hints/tips/how-to's, or anything else for the Club Newsletter, please email your submission to [news@delawarerc.org](mailto:news@delawarerc.org)

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## **Call for Volunteers for R/C Flight Instruction**

The Club is in need of additional volunteers to assist with R/C Flight Instruction for Fixed-Wing, Rotary/Heli, and Drone aircraft. If you can assist with this important Club service please send an email to [info@delawarerc.org](mailto:info@delawarerc.org) and let us know how you can assist.

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## **Useful Links**

Club Website <http://delawarerc.org>

Academy of Model Aeronautics <http://www.modelaircraft.org>

Academy of Model Aeronautics National Model Aircraft Safety Code <http://www.modelaircraft.org/files/105.pdf>

AMA Media Room <http://www.modelaircraft.org/aboutama/mediaroom.aspx>

FAA Registration <https://faadronezone.faa.gov/#/>

FAA TRUST Test <https://www.modelaircraft.org/trust>

FAA NOTAMS/TFRs <http://www.modelaircraft.org/membership/clubs/notams.aspx>

B4UFLY Mobile App [https://www.faa.gov/uas/recreational\\_fliers/where\\_can\\_i\\_fly/b4ufly](https://www.faa.gov/uas/recreational_fliers/where_can_i_fly/b4ufly)

B4UFLY Desktop App - Current Flight Status of our Flying Field - <https://tinyurl.com/yw3hy3v2>

Photos by Sam Winder <https://winder.smugmug.com/Sports>

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