

Glitch Busters

Delaware R/C Club Newsletter — January 2022



Fall and early winter brought above average temperatures, but as we head out of the Holiday Season, more seasonable temperatures appears to be here to stay. Our Annual Freeze Fly, originally scheduled for January 1st was postponed due to a TFR and inclement weather. Rescheduled for Saturday January 8th, the Freeze Fly picnic was well attended with the Club providing hot dogs, chili, soda, coffee and donuts and many brought tasty treats to share. Several aircraft took to the skies even though there was a light accumulation of snow on the runway. It was good to gather with friends.



Minutes of the January 2022 General Membership Meeting

The January 2022 General Membership Meeting was called to order Saturday January 8, 2022 at 12:03PM by President Greg Schock.

Treasurer Mike Denest gave a Treasury report.

Membership Chair Brian Pasternak reported that the Club finished the 2021 year with 124 members.

Old Business

Greg Schock reported that the Newark Senior Center rates for a meeting room is now \$75 per hour. The Club will check other local resources for meeting locations. Until then, online meetings will be held via Zoom during the winter months and at the Flying Site during spring, summer and fall.

Safety Officer Mike Watson gave an update on the Safety Review Committee which has been meeting weekly since November. The Committee has been reviewing the current Safety Rules and Regulations, including runway assignments and will be presenting formal recommendations to the Club within the next couple of weeks.

New Business

Greg Schock discussed needed repairs to the Pavilion and inquired if the Club should go out to bid for contractors or have the repairs made by Club Members. It was suggested to do both and then review the costs.

The Club has signed a new agreement with the Park. Some changes include that the Park is now a 'No Smoking' area. Club rules have always prohibited smoking in the pit areas but new Park regulations will ban smoking in all areas. The Park will be posting signs in the near future.

Grass cutting schedule will be posted shortly. The mowers will have needed maintenance done as the weather warms.

Dave and Pete Malchione discussed plans for Warbirds Over Delaware for 2022 with the dates of July 13 through July 16th. AMA Sanction and talks with FAA and USSS are in progress to assure that the event will not be interrupted by a TFR.

The Club is checking on having Food Trucks on location at our upcoming Club events.

A full-service local hobby shop has opened in Bear, Delaware (Route 40 and Route 1) that has a nice selection of R/C related items. **HobbyTown**, located at 590 Eden Cir, Bear, DE 19701 offers selections for R/C Cars, Boats, R/C Aviation, model trains, kit building, rocketry, robotics, tools and other related hobby interests. HobbyTown (Bear) is owned by the same owner as HobbyTown (Dover) located at 96 Salt Creek Dr Unit 1, Dover, DE 19901. Good selection of E-Flight aircraft. Cool Power 15% Nitro Airplane Fuel by the quart. Good selection of balsa and plywood, lipo batteries and chargers, connectors, cables, Monokote covering, glues/adhesives, HiTec servos, etc.

The staff is very friendly and accommodating. Photos available at http://www.delawarerc.org/hobbytown_bear.htm

Safety Report

Safety Officer Mike Watson discuss the placement of the windsock and recommended that a windsock should be placed on the far side of the runway so to be visible at all times to pilots without the need for pilots need to turn around to view the windsock.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:32 PM

2022 Membership Dues renewal for 2022 is now due. Just a reminder that all renewals must submit a new 2022 membership application which is available at <http://www.delawarerc.org/membership.htm> . Memberships paid via Paypal will be processed once a completed 2022 Membership Application has been received.

The sale of **2022 Delaware State Parks annual passes** and surf fishing permits are currently delayed due to nationwide supply chain disruptions. Park Passes are required starting March 1st. More information and online ordering of Park Passes is available at <https://destateparks.com/Know/PassesTagsFees> . Park passes will also be available at the Lums Pond Park Office once they are available.

From The Safety Corner — by Mike Watson

The safety committee that was created at the last meeting has been actively meeting weekly discussing the safety issues and safety improvements that can be implemented at the field. All improvements will be made according to AMA guidelines and policies. We anticipate that all club members will like and enjoy the new improvements.

These improvements are designed to make flying your aircraft a safer and more enjoyable experience. A proposal is being created for the improvements to submit to the Board, and will be up for vote after being finalized.

It is time we invest in our club and field.

What a beautiful fall day to fly (Nov.9th). Look at that blue sky!!! Mike and his sky writing Pitts, Vic with his prize model, a tech conference ?, Eric & his Chipmunk, Dave & his Cap, Allen and his Slowpoke. Pat & Doug Bond stopped by to say " Hello". Photos by Dick Stewart.







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

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 and let us know how you can assist.

Calendar of Events

Warbirds Over Delaware 2022 — July 13 - 16, 2022

Antiques and Classics at Lums Pond — August 6, 2022

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>

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