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# NCRCC Flyer

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## NCRCC Meeting Minutes June 13, 2019

### NEXT (July)

#### MEETING:

July 11, 2019

- NCRCC July club meeting -outdoors at the NCRCC flying field  
The meeting will start at about 6:30pm –
- Building Contest
- Regular outdoor Meeting
- Free food

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**CALL TO ORDER:** The June 13, 2019 NCRCC meeting was called to order at 6:06 pm. The meeting was held outdoors at our flying field. There were approximately 37 individuals in attendance with two potential new members present.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Club president Bob Laflamme welcomed all and thanked everyone for making the meeting given both the cold and rainy weather. Bob demonstrated the clubs new "gavel" and was happy to report that it still worked. The proposed building contest would be postponed until the July meeting given the spotty rain and generally poor weather conditions. Thank you to all that

**July NCRCC meeting  
Is OUTDOORS at the NCRCC Field**

**The Thursday July 11<sup>th</sup> meeting will be outdoors at the NCRCC flying Field.**

**"200" Green Road Ellington, CT 06029**

**The grill will light at about 5:30pm. The meeting starts around 6:30pm. If you have a signature dish – please bring it to share.**

**ACTIVITY: NCRCC Building Contest**

were prepared for our building contest and all please use the extra time to put on the finishing touches to your new craft for next month. This meeting was scheduled to conduct a vote for a change to the NCRCC club by-laws. Bob asked is everyone here who wants to vote able to vote offering ballots to those wishing. Two members took ballots and voted the day of. Voting was then closed. With oversight and instruction provided by club secretary Adam Gorman, three "tellers"

were appointed to count the votes. Thank you Michael Lewandowski, Sal Raia and Mike Doran for your time and effort in assisting with making the vote tally.

**VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Club vice president Mike Maznicki welcomed all and asked if everyone was flying on a regular basis. Mike suggested that everyone do so. Mike gave a brief outline of our instructor program sighting our

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## THE THURSDAY JULY 11, 2019 MEETING TO BE HELD OUTDOORS AT THE NCRCC FLYING FIELD

**The July 11th 2018 meeting will be held outdoors on Thursday evening at the NCRCC Flying Field**

## Activities Director's Report - June 2019



**Irv Thurrott**  
Activities Director

Our next meeting will be on **Thursday, July 11, 2019** at the **NCRCC Field**. The Grill will light up at about **5:30 PM** and free food and drinks will be provided.

Joel Lang will be running the postponed (from last meeting) **NCRCC Club Building Contest**. There are two categories: "**ARF/Foamie**" and "**Scratch/Kit-Built**". Awards will be presented through third place in each category as well as monumental appreciation of your efforts and skills by all the members present. If you have an aircraft that fits the description, please bring it to the meeting and participate. There is no entry fee.

The next scheduled NCRCC Event is the **Dawn Patrol WWI Scale Fly-in** on July 14<sup>th</sup>. Joel Lang is the Contest Director for this major get-together and will be very appreciative of any members

who can help with the Parking, Registration, Food Preparation, Raffle, Shirt Sales, Announcing, and Judging required by this activity. Please inform Joel of your 'volunteer capabilities' at the next meeting.

Please note that each upcoming "**MOWING Day/Time**" will be posted on the NCRCC Web-site. Hopefully this will help you to co-ordinate your flying time with the necessary mowing activities. Check the top of the first page on the NCRCC web-site to get this information.

Here's some information regarding the "**Pete Reed Q-500 Classic**" (which is scheduled for the first weekend in August). I'm the CD for this event and am working with NEPRO to get an accurate estimation of the expected

pilot attendance for both Saturday and Sunday. If the probable Sunday attendance is too low to have a meaningful/enjoyable racing experience, we will make the meet a "Saturday Only" event. This decision is not being taken lightly and will also take into account worker impact, food sale success, and the overall direction in which racing is evolving. As an NCRCC Member, please consider helping with this race. A primary focus during this event will also be worker enjoyment and comfort during the race day(s). Let me know if you will be able help. I'd like to try "personalizing" the worker snacks/drinks/awards by specific members involved. This will be discussed at the upcoming club meeting.

Hope to see you at the Field on Thursday, July 11th.

Activities Director, Irv

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booklet and our single “flash card” that contains the basics.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:** Club Treasurer Len Marchese provided an income statement that covered the details of our tailgate swap meet and NCRCC/NEPRO Q-500 May race. Thank you to all that volunteered to make our first two 2019 events successful.

Len also provided an expense statement for the month of May that covered the direct costs related to the amendment to our by-laws, sanitation facilities, “over-the-rail” mowing machine, and several others. 2019 town of Ellington taxes are not yet due. Len gave a short explanation regarding the way NCRCC runs our finances. In short: annual dues cover our day to day and foreseeable yearly expenses; proceeds from events cover capital improvements should there be a need and there is available funding.

In light of recent mowing issues Len provided an estimate of the cost to our club to have our field professionally mowed. With others, Len estimated that the annual cost might be between \$12,000 and \$15,000 a year. All noted that flying would be precluded while a professional mover was at our facility.

Len closed saying that we are “on track” with regard to 2019

finances. In addition: Len provided a monthly income and expense report stating specifically our end of month balances.

**SECRETARY’S REPORT:** Club secretary Adam Gorman recused himself from general meeting activities while he provided guidance and direction to our “tellers”. Thank you Adam.

**FIELD SUPERVISOR’S REPORT:** Club field Supervisor Art Usher made note of our pristine field compliments of the efforts of a select few club members that happen to be distant travelers. Art directed any complaints for field availability surrounding our spring-time mowing schedule to greater observation of our website where the mowing schedule is posted. Art noted that with all the rain and spring growth that our field needs to be mowed every 4 or 5 days and one simply cannot mow in the rain or its after effects. Art stated that no statements of grief would be heard as they might relate to mowing including if our field was not mowed, adding that mowing will take place when needed and when convenient to those members that are providing the service to our greater group. It is very likely that we currently have the greatest flying field in the northeast.

Art, stating his own personal opinion said that in the over 20-years that he has been a NCRCC member he has never seen the flight line tied up

for more than 15 minutes at a time. Art summarized our age-old protocol: ask; announce and consider safety and kindness first and foremost and at all times.

Dennis T. handed out a document from the AMA that provided a guideline for flight-line safety.

Art closed stating that proper flight line etiquette cannot be spelled out in words but rather relies on a very long standing gentleman’s agreement: Ask; Agree; If someone goes dead-stick provide as wide a berth as is possible. It is not possible to legislate good behavior, and it is very easy to exhibit it. In closing Art noted the importance of just plain having fun.

**ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR’S REPORT:** Club activities director Irv Thurrott outlined our 2019 events schedule and provided greater detail when available for each of our scheduled events.

Irv outlined Dennis’s July 14, 2019 Warbirds event and our October “Heli” event.

**PUBLIC LIAISON’S OFFICER’S REPORT:** Club public liaison officer John Staudt was not able to attend.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

**By-Laws Vote:** Our secretary’s results are in! On the first order 36 in favor, 33 opposed 4 obtained. On the second order 36 in favor, 32 opposed and also 4 obtained. Both motions are passed. Now

## **Would you believe even more June 13, 2019 Meeting Minutes**

20% of our group will constitute a quorum. 72 members voted. This is approximately half of our total group.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Contest director Dennis T. showed some artwork related to the new Tee's for his Sunday, July 14, 2019 Warbirds event. Dennis added that please if requested to help with the event that you please do so. Dennis stated that Connecticut Children's hospital approved the use of their organizations logo for our event.

**NEW MEMBERS:** Master builder Ron Liska hailing from Middleton Ct was voted in. Welcome and congratulations Ron.

**NEW APPLICATIONS:** Shane Potemski hailing from Enfield Ct was introduced by Mike L. Welcome Shane.

**SOLO CERTIFICATES:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** The July 13, 2019 meeting was adjourned at 7:06 PM.

Minutes submitted by Peter Tani  
NCRCC newsletter editor at the

behest of Adam Gorman  
NCRCC club secretary.

### **For Sale:**

Bud Beaudoin has a large electric foam glider for sale.

Contact him at:

[hbmotorsports@cox.net](mailto:hbmotorsports@cox.net)

## **From the Treasurer :**



**Len Marchese**

### **Treasurer**

The weather for the month of June was really kind of finicky, rain, chilly, sunny and then back to rain. Hoping the

remaining summer months will bring us better weather.

July also presents one of our many flying events for the season. Sunday July 14 2019, Dawn Patrol 2019.... Over Green Road Sector. This annual fly-in has been operating for well over 20 plus years. Flyers from all over New England and New York have attended this event. Whether they are flying or just out for a Sunday drive. So NCRCC members, if you have never attended this event, please bring your family and friends. They will certainly enjoy these vintage WW I aircrafts, and there will be

plenty of food for purchase. For those of you that have attended in the past, welcome back!

Financially we are in good shape. The following months we will have heavy expenditures, such as town property taxes, dual portable sanitation units, fuel for field maintenance, dumpster haulage, equipment maintenance, or anything that needs attention, and food and beverages for our summer meetings.

Well, that's it for now.

See you at the field,

Len Marchese

# DAWN PATROL 2019



.... over Green Road Sector

July 14th  
Starts at 8 AM

*Spectators Free!*

*Food available!*



**NCRCC Flying Field  
Green Road  
Ellington, CT**

**Any R/C Scale WWI Aircraft**  
Must be in Military Colors

**Pilots Landing Fee \$15**

Follow Rt 140 in Ellington onto  
Muddy Brook Road, then  
quick left turn onto Green Rd.  
[Follow NCRCC Signs]

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See: [www.ncrcc.org](http://www.ncrcc.org) for Directions

Dawn Patrol 2019

**Public Liaison Officer Report:**



**John Staudt**  
**Public Liaison Officer**

Hello Guys,

I will have the Sig 4 STAR 54 EG ARF for the raffle.

The Scale Build & Fly contest is **CANCELED** due to the lack of interest.

I apologize to any of you that were looking forward to the contest.

As a reminder, I am running the raffle as same way as in the past, the member who spends the most money on tickets throughout the year will win a \$100.00 Hog Heaven Gift Card at the last meeting of the year held in November, made possible by the generosity of John Glennon at Hog Heaven. So let's show Hog Heaven how much we appreciate all they do for us and do some shopping at Hog Heaven , 494 Main Street , Sturbridge , Massachusetts 01518. (508)



**Sig 4 STAR 54 EG ARF**

**“The Ultimate Second Airplane”**

***Fly with electric or glow power!***

347-9350

I also will have hats for sale at \$15.00 each.

Thank You,

John



**NCRCC Hats!**

**\$15 each**



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## NCRCC Field Supervisors Report



**Art Usher**

**NCRCC Field Supervisor**

The field is in great shape again, thanks to the dedication of our great mowing crew.

Days and times of mowing are posted on our website.

Please check the website before you go to the field. It usually takes between 3 to 4 hours to mow the complete field.

Remember to be polite when flying and give other people a chance to fly.

Ask permission to fly, announce your direction of take-off and landing, and most important, have fun.

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Thank you Art for all the great work you do.



**NCRCC NEWS**

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Thank You Joel !

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**June 24, 2019**

Note the small inverted rainbow just above the flag.

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