

May
2022

NCRCC Flyer

NEXT (May)

MEETING:

- NCRCC May club meeting -outdoors at the NCRCC flying field The meeting will start at 6:00pm.
- 2022 Building Contest
- Show and Tell
- Continued good judgment and health
- Bring a chair just in case

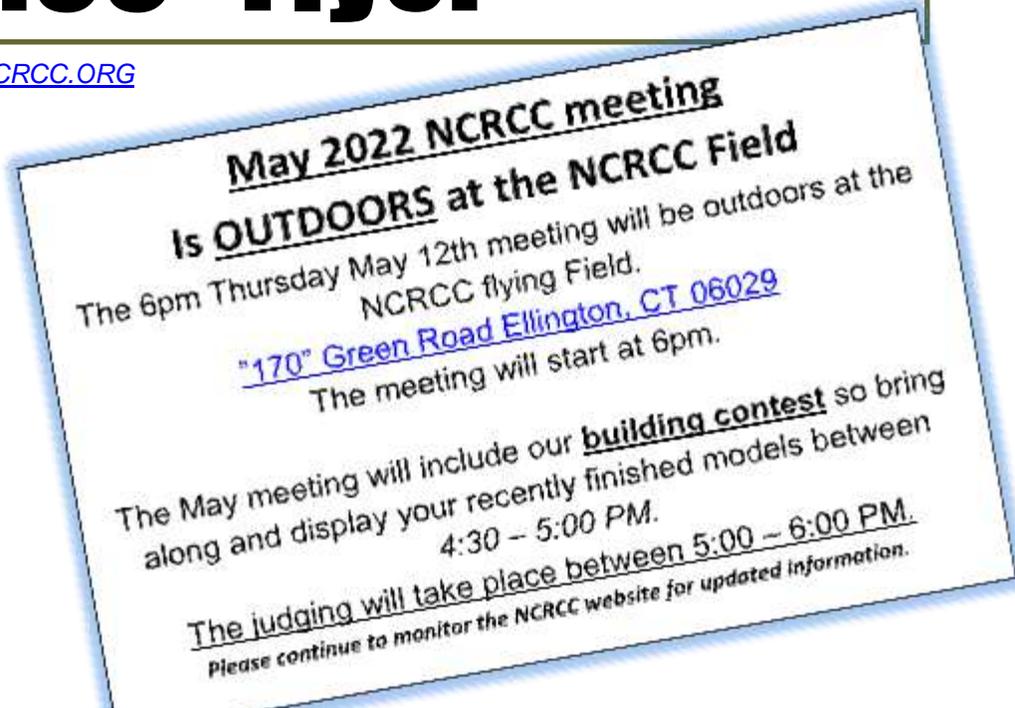
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NCRCC General Membership Meeting Minutes – April 14, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Bob LaFlamme. The meeting was held at the Somers Public Library. Several power outages occurred throughout the meeting and we were subsequently asked to vacate the building.

Bob asked for any corrections to the March meeting minutes as they appeared in the newsletter. There were no corrections offered and a motion was made, seconded, and a vote approved the March meeting minutes.

President's Report:

Bob LaFlamme welcomed the membership and explained that

he will do his best to expedite the meeting due to the finite amount of time the emergency lighting would provide. Bob also noted that he would re-prioritize the sequence of agenda items.



Stan Kulesa
NCRCC Secretary

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Bob reported that he had secured several donations for the benefit of NCRCC including a laptop computer (assigned to the Secretary), projector, copier, printer, and surveillance equipment. The membership offered appreciative applause.

Vice President's Report:

Mike Maznicki reported that some of the prospective/new members have limited or “rusty” flying experience and capable flyers are asked to step forward and serve as instructors. Mike asked those instructors present to raise their hands so that pilots needing assistance can identify them.

Secretary's Report:

Stan Kulesa reported that NCRCC currently has a total of 189 members. There were 28 members and 4 guests attending tonight's meeting. Guests included Dan Villeneuve, Tim Villeneuve, Rob Hebert, and Ailene Lang.

Stan noted that NCRCC members who engage in flying must have an active AMA membership along with their NCRCC membership. He then reported that member Gregg P- does not have an active AMA

membership and, as such, does not have flying privileges at the NCRCC field.

Stan gave a report on the club website. In March, there were 660 views (and 188 visitors).

Stan announced that our May meeting will be held at the flying field in Ellington and begin at 6:00 PM. The building contest will take place prior to the meeting and those members wishing to have their models judged should bring them between 4:30 – 5:00 PM. Judging will take place between 5:00 – 6:00 PM. Members should monitor the club website for updates.

Treasurer's Report:

In Len's absence, Bob LaFlamme gave a shortened Treasurer's report. NCRCC is solvent.

Bob also announced that the dumpster and portable toilet have recently been made available for the 2022 season. Art Usher reminded the membership that no models or affiliated items should be placed into the dumpster.

Activities Director Report:

Peter Tani thanked Joel L- for securing the AMA sanction for the two-day pylon race. He encouraged all members to participate in the June practice race to get a taste of pylon competition. All types of aircraft are eligible for the practice race. Peter also encouraged all members to volunteer at the two-day race in August.

Peter spoke about how Joel L- and John Blossick (CDs of Dawn Patrol and Warbirds, respectively) are making arrangements for selling commemorative shirts. More to come on this.

Liaison Officer Report: No report.

Field Marshall/Safety Officer Report:

Art announced that a work party will take place on 5/14/22 (with a rain date of 5/15/22) and that all members should plan to be there to help. He reviewed the long list of maintenance and repair tasks that are needed. Art also reviewed the list of tools/items he's asking members to bring along for the work party. Lunch

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will be provided for those working. Ed P- noted that the ramp over the brook is in need of attention and Art said that he'd look into it.

Art Usher spoke about practicing safety at our flying field. He asked all members and guests to follow all club and AMA rules with a focus on all flying from the pilot stations, loudly calling landings/take-offs/low fly-bys/flight direction, following the established traffic pattern, and doing all flying in front of the pilot stations. Joel L- suggested that pilots listen for an acknowledgement of their calls and Art agreed.

New Members:

Dan Villeneuve, Tim Villeneuve, and Rob Hebert were voted in as members.

Old Business:

Bob LaFlamme noted that the ad hoc committee charged with recommending a 3-year plan which he designated a few months ago has been off to a very slow start. No meetings which include all of its members have been called. No work product recommendations have come forth. Bob recognized that there were some health and other issues experienced by committee members but stipulated that the ad hoc

committee to recommend a 3-year plan has either got to get going and do their work very soon or the committee will be disbanded.

Bob noted that it's been a while since the ad hoc committee which is to make recommendations to honor deceased members has presented. This ad hoc committee also needs to make progress.

John W- spoke about a recent communication from a Connecticut-based representative of the TSA in which the modeling community was invited for training. Bob LaFlamme forwarded this communication to Andy Argenio (AMA District I Vice President) who, in turn, engaged Tyler Dobbs from AMA's Government Relations. Tyler spoke with this individual from the TSA and educated him on the steps the AMA is already taking with the FAA. Any subsequent inquiries from the TSA or any other government official should be referred to the NCRCC Executive Committee.

John also described a scenario he recently experienced at the NCRCC flying field. A full-scale helicopter flew low over the power lines and John

immediately took the appropriate safety steps to avoid it. He noted that Eversource had informed the club of work they had been planning but did not provide any notification of the low-level flying. Art Usher (Safety Officer) noted that he will be in contact with Eversource.

New Business:

John P- announced that he installed a new windsock.

Announcements:

Bob S- thanked those members who participated in the indoor flying at the dome in East Windsor and declared the season a success.

Leo N- announced that he's selling raffle tickets to benefit the FAI World Team. Leo is a member of the U.S. Team and will be competing.

Stan Kulesa announced that former NCRCC member David Sopelak had reached out to NCRCC via the club website's 'Contact Us' feature and donated two 40-sized trainers (one with an engine). These two models will be available for purchase with the

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proceeds going to NCRCC.

Stan announced that the club has received four notices of events (flying and non-flying) in our area. These notices have been posted on our website under the 'AMA Event Finder Web Link' pull-down.

Show & Tell:

Several members (Dave A-, John P-, Leo N-, Bob O-) brought along show & tell projects but, because we needed to vacate the premises due to the ongoing power outages,

we were unable to conduct this portion of the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 PM.

These minutes are respectfully submitted by Stan Kulesa, Secretary.

NCRCC May 2022 Meeting Notice

The next NCRCC general membership meeting will take place on Thursday (5/12/22) and will begin at 6:00 PM. (*Note the earlier start time.*) The meeting will be held at the flying field in Ellington. No food will be served.

The May meeting will include our building contest so bring along and display your recently finished models between 4:30 – 5:00 PM. The judging will take place between 5:00 – 6:00 PM. Contact Ed Post (Contest Director) for more info.

Please continue to monitor the website for updates.



Len Marchese

NCRCC Treasurer

Well, I am back from Florida, and it has not been above 50 degrees since being back. Hopefully, the start of May will bring some warm

From the Treasurer

weather. It's tough wearing shorts when the temperature is 40 - 50 degrees, but I manage.

With the season just starting, we are officially in the expense mode for the club. During the month of April, we had the runway repaired, services started for the dumpster and portable potty, materials for the field and rebuilding the plane stands which will replace our older units. There are other items that need attention at the field.

With "Field Clean-up Day"

(**Art Usher will have all the details**) just around the corner. We are expecting to see you there as we will need your help. Keep in mind that we have a great field and club, and it is essential to keep it that way.

That's it for now.

See you at the May outdoor meeting,

Len Marchese NCRCC Treasurer

NCRCC May 2022 Building Contest



Ed Post to run 2022 NCRCC Building Contest

The May meeting will include our building contest so bring along and display your recently finished models between 4:30 – 5:00 PM.

The judging will take place between 5:00 – 6:00 PM.

Please continue to monitor our website for updated information.

NCRCC May 2022 Field Clean-Up/ Maintenance Day

Art Usher (Field Manager) has announced a field clean-up and maintenance workday for Saturday (5/14/22) with a rain date of 5/15/22.

Please plan to arrive by 8:00 AM. All members are asked to participate in preparing our field for the 2022 flying season. There is a long list of maintenance and repair tasks that are needed and members are asked to bring work gloves, cordless drills, chainsaws, shovels, rakes, etc.

Lunch will be provided for those working. No flying will be permitted until the work has been completed.

Please monitor the club website for updates.

2022 Area float Flies

2022 Yankee Flyers of Connecticut
(At West Thompson Lake)

- Sunday, June 5, 2022
- Sunday, August 7, 2022
- Sunday, September 25, 2022

Place: West Thompson Lake next to the boat launch maintained by the US Army Corp of Engineers. 401 Reardon Rd. North Grosvenordale, CT 06255

Near: [400 Campground Dr, North Grosvenor Dale, CT 06255](http://400CampgroundDr.NorthGrosvenorDale.CT06255)

Approximate time: 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Approximate landing fee: \$10

Open to all RC model flyers with a current AMA card. Each flyer is requested to use a spotter.

This is a fun fly meet so if you fly or just watch come on down and enjoy the day!

2022 David Arzt Float Flies

- Tuesday, June 28, 2022
- Monday, July 18, 2022
- Wednesday, August 31, 2022
- Monday September 12, 2022

All times 10am -3pm

Hot dog lunch provided.

NCRCC – 5/12/2022 General Membership Meeting

Agenda

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| • Call to order | • Liaison Officer’s Report | • New Business |
| • April meeting minutes | • Field Marshall/ Safety Officer’s Report | • Announcements |
| • President’s Report | • New Members | • Show & Tell |
| • Vice President’s Report | • Old Business | • Adjournment |
| • Secretary’s Report | | |
| • Treasurer’s Report | | |
| • Activities Director’s Report | | |

FAA Update,

May NCRCC Newsletter

John Watkins

The final AC 91-57C, Exception for Limited Recreational Operations of Unmanned Aircraft, does not appear to have been published this month. AC 91-57C was originally supposed to be published in February, the publishing date was delayed to April, and now it would seem there is a further delay. AMA cannot apply for CBO status until the final AC 91-57C is published, the FRIA process cannot begin until AMA receives CBO status, so as time goes on, there is an increased possibility the September 2022 date for FRIA application for our club field could slip.

In other news, the White House has now become involved in UAS, with the administration proposing the Domestic Counter-Unmanned Aircraft Systems National Action Plan. In a nutshell, what it says is while there are many benefits to UAS, the new technology introduces new and increased risks to public safety, privacy, and homeland security; and to address this, the administration is proposing a plan to detect and disable UAS flying in sensitive areas or are otherwise considered a threat. There seem to be common themes between the White House plan and the e-mail NCRCC received from DHS/TSA in March. At this time, it does not appear this plan would affect NCRCC as we are not near critical infrastructure or sensitive areas. For those with further interest, here is a link to the White House fact sheet:

[FACT SHEET: The Domestic Counter-Unmanned Aircraft Systems National Action Plan | The White House](#)

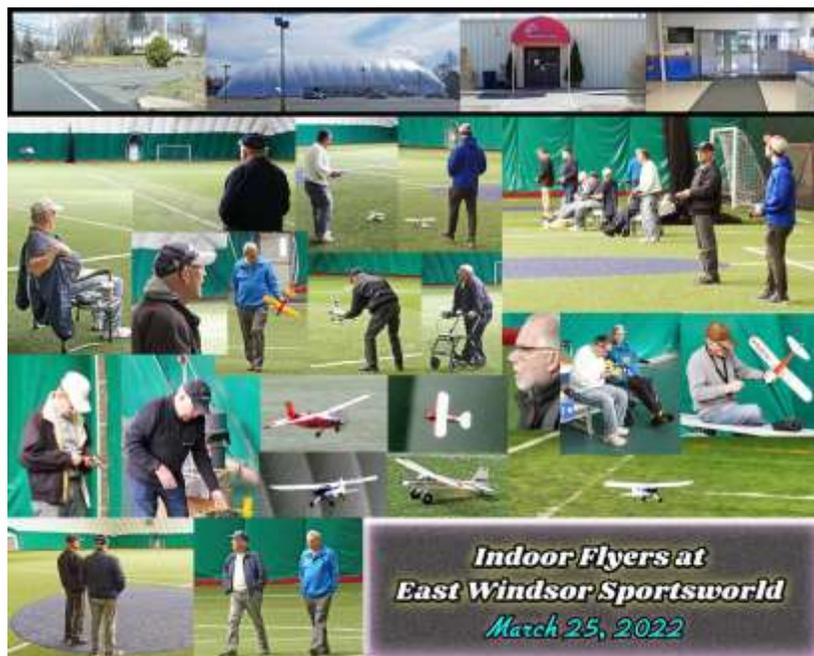
To: Distribution Date: April 10, 2022
From: Irv Thurrott Time: 1:41pm
Subject: **East Windsor Indoor Fliers - Thank You!**

Sincere thanks to all the Indoor Fliers that came to SportsWorld in East Windsor this past 2021/2022 season. The weekly fees paid provided a very positive indication to the dome owner(s) that allowing us to fly there was a wise decision that should be continued in the future.

The donations made on the second-to-last week were given to Mike at the end of the last Friday session and greatly appreciated as well.

Have a great Spring, Summer, and Fall and we can look forward to Fall/Winter Indoor flying again at East Windsor for the 2022/2023 season.

Thanks again, Bob Spooner and Art Usher



2021/ 2022 East Windsor Dome flight

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RADIO-CONTROLLED WARBIIRD EVENT

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WARBIRDS

OVER ELLINGTON

**NO SIZE
LIMIT**



→ **September 17, 2022** ←

**8am-4pm 200 GREEN ROAD
ELLINGTON, CT**



WEATHER DATE SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 18,2022

OPEN TO ALL WARBIRDS, WWI, WWII, AND CURRENT MODERN AIRCRAFT

TURBINES WELCOME
LANDING FEE \$15.00 PER PILOT
SPECTATORS WELCOME

20' X 150' PAVED RUNWAY
75' X 600' GRASS RUNWAY



REFRESHMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE
Because of weather the event may be canceled
Check the NCRCC website for any updates or changes



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AMA SANCTION # 9194
Current AMA Card Required

CD John W. Blossick jblossick@aol.com

Liaison Officers Report - May 2022 :



John Blossick
NCRCC Liaison Officer

Greetings Everyone!

Now that we're into springtime, moving full speed ahead, club events are rapidly approaching. The first one on our agenda is the NCRCC building contest which will take place May 12th at the flying field.

Since we're speaking of building, many of you may be familiar with a company by the name of "Tru-Turn".



2022 NCRCC Club Merchandise

Thank you John.

They manufactured high quality spinners and various R/C hardware.

From their web site: "Tru-Turn is suspending manufacturing in consumer model hobbies as of April 2022. Since 1985, Tru-Turn has remained the highest quality and best performance of any R/C Aircraft Spinner, Prop Hub or Prop Nut available."

Remaining inventory will be offered until the end of June. As

disappointing it is to see a R/C company give up the ghost, they will still exist as a company and manufacture industrial products under the name of Romco Manufacturing, who owns Tru-Turn.

If you need any Tru-Turn products now is a good time to start scarfing if you can. Super high quality items for sure. I've used them for years and may scarf a few myself!

This month the raffles will be back in full swing now that we're meeting at the field.

Until Next- Just Fly,

John

There is a link to our NCRCC store on our splash page:

<https://ncrcc.org/>

See "NCRCC Swag"



Coasters/
and Lol

You
pick



Tee Shirts !

And how could you not?

Field Supervisors Report – May 2022



Art Usher

NCRCC Field Supervisor

The field is in great shape, the mowing season has begun, so check the website before you go to the field. At this month's meeting I will be looking for volunteers for our field clean-up day.

The date is Saturday 5/14/22 with a rain date of Sunday 5/15/22 please arrive at 8am for the workday. Please bring gloves, hard rakes, shovels, cordless drills and a chain saw if you have one and know how to use it safely.

We will be removing the sumac trees along the road at the north end of the field, reconditioning the airplane stands from the westfield club, painting the old airplane stands, installing plastic strips on the trailers to keep water out of the locks, clearing trees and brush from around the trailers, I have rented a

skid steer with a brush hog attachment on it. If we have someone who knows how to operate it that would be great. If not I will operate it as needed. I would prefer to direct the clean up as needed but can run the skid steer if needed.

Food will be provided along with soda and water for the workers. There will not be any flying while the work is being done. I don't know if it has been stated thus far but food will not be provided at Mays monthly meeting, so bring something to gnaw on if you haven't eaten before you arrive. See you at the monthly meeting.

Art

Activities Director's Report – May 2022

Hello all

I look forward to our first 2022 outdoor/ field and general membership meeting come Thursday May 12, 2022. With it comes our very first 2022 event our building contest conducted by Ed Post, baring heavy snow. Recalled on this past Easter Sunday it did actually snow and mother nature in New England still has a good sense of humor

moving forward. Thankfully it did not collect.

Of course the Saturday following our Thursday meeting, namely Saturday, May 14, 2022, we will conduct our 2022 field clean-up and maintenance day. Please attend if you are able. Our field supervisor Art Usher has identified items that would benefit from a little maintenance and sprucing up for our 2022 flying season. Rain date is the following day, namely, Sunday,



Peter Tani
NCRCC
Activities Director

May 15, 2022. Greater event details appear elsewhere in this publication. Please have a look.

Please also have a look at the

first page of our website for the very latest, especially close in, as if there are any revisions and/ or modifications they will appear here. A reasonably easy one, as important notices come up on our very first page. Thank you both Stan and Leo for keeping this our "Important Notices" section located on our website "splash page" up to date.

I recently made an Email blast at the behest of nepro president Lloyd Burnham where Lloyd described our June Practice and August race. All might recall this blurb that also appeared in our April newsletter. I received a reply Email from Daren Hudson our AMA District 1 AVP- "Outreach Advocate". Recall that Daren also attended and also competed in our 2019 August race. Daren recalled and spoke of our then experimental Q500 electric class and noted that he "had a blast". Daren also spoke of the new electric Eflite V1200 that might help to promote the special interest group (SIG) and also ourselves, further stating the V1200 has retracts and flaps and should be fun.

Daren also spoke of one of the District 1 goals of improving

communication throughout the district and to bring the "community" into the concept of a Community Based Organization. There has also been some club interest along these same lines with some early ideas and quiet talk of a "try and fly". By my measure this interest is similar to some I have heard with regard to a possible and future "field family day" with the intent of fostering some reasonably low-key, simple and positive local exposure for our club. All baby steps, and in the right direction, baring major future public health concerns.

Daren invited me to attend a virtual District 1 meeting held on April 27, 2022. With past activities director Irv Thurrott, I attended. AMA District 1 VP Andy Argenio spoke of possible greater racing leadership involvement from within district 6 nmpra / ncrcc membership.

Daren sent me a link to a YouTube video that both he and District 1 Technology and Safety Officer John Yassemedis made while participating at a past ncrcc race as part of their "Ask the AVPs?" playlist. Here is a link to the entire series:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLKK58PPtspCQSt8GFWolIrC69IjLzYa9b>

We have third billing in the playlist and it is entitled: "Ask the AVP"- Club visit for Pylon Racing! 2020- NCRCC- Northern CT RC Club, Ellington, CT". Please have a look if you have time. Is 3:38 long and has a picture of ncrcc VP Mike Maznicki on the start page. Believe this is from our "Pete Reed Q-500 Classic".

Please consider attending our June 2022 practice.

In closing Green Road the road to our field looks a little different. A few pictures of its current layout appear elsewhere in this publication.

Also please have a look at our "Member Buy / Sell" page of our website. Here is a link:

<https://ncrcc.org/member-buyer-seller/>

Grant L- asked me if I could please point out this feature where with others he has posted a few items for sale.

That's it for now. Please all finish up your winter projects and bring them in May.

---Peter



New look to the approach to our field.

**JULY
10**

DAWN PATROL OVER ELLINGTON SECTOR ▶

CLASS C

Contact: JOEL LANG
Location: 190 Green Rd Ellington CT 06029
Visit Website: [📄](#)

Here is a link: <https://www.modelaircraft.org/events/dawn-patrol-over-ellington-sector>

**AUGUST
6 - 7**

NCRCC ANNUAL TWO DAY PYLON RACE ▶

CLASS AA

Contact: JOEL LANG
Location: 190 Green Rd Ellington CT 06029
View Website: [📄](#)

Here is a link: <https://www.modelaircraft.org/events/ncrcc-annual-two-day-pylon-race-0>

**SEPTEMBER
17 - 18**

WAR BIRDS OVER ELLINGTON ▶

CLASS A

Contact: JOHN BLOSSICK
Location: 190 Green Rd Ellington CT 06029
Visit Website: [📄](#)

Here is a link: <https://www.modelaircraft.org/events/war-birds-over-ellington>

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