

November
2021

NCRCC Flyer

NEXT (November)

MEETING:

- NCRCC November club meeting is indoors at the Somers Library Meeting to start at 7pm
- Face Masks Required
- Raffle Prizes
- Continued good judgment and health
- Show and Tell

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NCRCC General Membership Meeting Minutes – 10/9/2021

The meeting was called to order at 9:38 AM by President Bob LaFlamme. The meeting was held at the NCRCC flying field in Ellington.

Bob thanked Len Marchese and the other volunteers for an awesome job of arranging, preparing, and serving an excellent breakfast for the membership. The members present offered a round of applause.

Bob asked for any corrections to the September meeting minutes. There were no corrections offered and a motion was made, seconded, and a vote approved the September meeting minutes.

President's Report:

Bob LaFlamme welcomed the membership.

Bob announced that it is time to nominate club officers for the 2022 Executive Committee. There will be no nominations for the Board of Directors because they are in year one of their two-year term. Bob noted that he has appointed Stan Kulesa as chairman of the

November Indoor NCRCC meeting
Is at the Somers Library
The Thursday November 11th meeting will be indoors at the Somers Library.
2 Vision Blvd, Somers, CT 06071
The meeting will start at **7:00pm.**
Library requires all visitors to wear face masks

Nominating Committee and that additional information will be provided on this topic under New Business later in the meeting.

Bob spoke about how COVID-19 continues to hamper a return to normality and he urged the membership to take the steps needed to protect themselves and their fellow members and guests.

Treasurer's Report:

Len Marchese reviewed club expenses, income, and balances



Stan Kulesa
NCRCC Secretary

More NCRCC Meeting Minutes – 10/9/2021

for the month of September with the members. He noted that to date we have used 71.75% of the annual operating budget.

Len provided the membership with a tentative forecast of the 2022 operating budget. He offered projections for each line item and summarized that there would likely be a noteworthy increase over the 2021 budget.

Len reported on the progress he's making on the audit of the flying field property owners (Green Road Aero Society - GRAS). Approximately a third of the property owners have responded thus far and confirmed or updated key information. Furthermore, while most are opting to retain their shares, some have opted to donate their shares to NCRCC, and several others have expressed an interest in selling their shares. Len opined that no club funds should be used to purchase shares up for sale. There were no objections noted from the membership. Since the original land purchase agreement stipulated that NCRCC would have first right of refusal, Len asked those members interested in purchasing one or more of the shares up for sale to contact him as soon as possible so that he can create a list and put the sellers in contact with potential buyers. NCRCC will not be a party to the sale process but will need to acknowledge a sale in order for it to become finalized for administrative purposes. Contact Len with questions.

Len described how the club owns a

power rake which has not been used over quite some time because the volunteer mowing team has stayed on top of its scheduled cuts and raking has become unnecessary. Len further noted that the asset value of the power rake has become fully depreciated. In deference to an expensive piece of equipment sitting unused, he asked for ideas from the membership. Much discussion ensued. It was decided that the power rake would be sold. There were no objections to this plan by the membership. Len will coordinate with Art Usher to place the item up for sale and deposit the sale proceeds into the club's bank account.

Vice President's Report:

Mike Maznicki asked if all applicants in attendance have been accounted for so that their membership status could be voted upon. No additional applicants beyond those already marked as in-attendance stepped forward.

Secretary's Report:

Stan Kulesa reported that NCRCC currently has a total of 198 members. There were 32 members and 6 guests attending the meeting. Guests included Pat Attenello, John Packard, Paul Rottenberg, Ronald Nadeau, Scott Norris, and Richard Mueller.

Stan gave a report on the club website. In September there

were 1,070 views (and 297 visitors). He encouraged the membership to continue to monitor the website's main page for important information.

Stan noted that the November meeting (11/11/21) will be at the Somers Library and will begin at 7:00 PM. The library requires all visitors to wear face masks and NCRCC will honor this requirement. Stan asked the members to monitor the NCRCC website for meeting details. Bob S-asked about having coffee/donuts available and Stan said he would check with the library administration. Bob suggested that we not plan on having coffee/donuts.

Activities Director Report:

Peter Tani provided a newsletter update. He noted that each monthly electronic newsletter is accompanied by an email blast message which summarizes that issue's contents so that the reader can prioritize which stories to read.

Peter spoke about several club events. He highlighted the upcoming Randy Hickton Fun Fly and thanked Irv T- for assuming the CD role at the last minute. Peter described the four parts of the event and displayed the plaque bearing prior winners' names and thanked Dennis T- for refurbishing it. He then reported to the

membership that the dates for the 2022 Warbirds over Ellington event have been approved by the AMA. Finally, Peter thanked Dave A- for hosting several successful and fun float flying events over the past few months.

Peter noted that in years past the club has used the December meeting date to host a holiday celebration. Because of COVID-19 restrictions, he reminded the membership that the 2020 event was via Zoom and gift cards were raffled. Peter took a poll of the members present to learn if there would be interest in having an in-person party (contingent upon room availability) and the majority present supported trying to have the holiday celebration. Stan Kulesa confirmed he would reach out to the Somers Library to get their approval.

Peter gave a shout out to NCRCC member Leo N-'s recent pylon racing stand-out performance. Leo set a new Junior record; the second flight with matching results did not take place.

Liaison Officer Report:

John Blossick announced the club raffle prizes composed of an R/C sailboat package and several engines donated by Dennis T- and Gersh T-. He will conduct the raffle at the end of the meeting. All proceeds go toward the benefit of the club.

John reported that he recently built an electronic "store" that has over 80 items of swag with the NCRCC logo that members may choose to purchase for themselves. Arrangements are being made to add a web link to the "store" through our club website.

Field Marshall/Safety Officer Report:

Art Usher thanked the volunteer mowing crew for their awesome work in maintaining the flying field. The membership offered a round of applause.

Art reported that the Pioneer Valley R/C Club is willing to make a large donation to NCRCC including a portable toilet, some folding tables, start-up/assembly tables, etc. Art is planning to make a trip to pick up the items and bring them to Ellington. He suggested that the new portable toilet would be used for events only so that club maintenance costs could be better contained.

Neal C- commented that we are experiencing a problem with moles. Art noted that his plan was to bait them with chewing gum and hopefully achieve the same positive outcome as the last time this problem arose.

Art shared a story about a NCRCC member who had not been fully vaccinated but attended club meetings and events without a face mask. Unfortunately, this member is in an induced coma and was airlifted to a hospital. While we wish that member a speedy and full recovery, Art pleaded with those members who are not fully vaccinated to wear face masks to protect themselves and their fellow members and guests.

New Members:

Mike Maznicki presented two prospective members (Scott Norris and Richard Mueller) and invited each to provide details concerning their aeromodeling backgrounds.

Mike then presented the following applicants for membership (Pat Attenello, Ronald Nadeau, Paul Rottenberg, and John Packard). All four were voted in as members.

Old Business:

Bob LaFlamme talked about an event NCRCC sponsored at the Ellington Public Library in 2003 in recognition of the 100th anniversary of flight. Members hung multiple models from the ceiling with index cards attached which provided general information. Stan Kulesa reported that on a recent trip to the library he had a conversation with the head of the library who enthusiastically expressed an interest in repeating the static display. Some discussion ensued with recommendations on signage and information concerning NCRCC. Several members expressed a willingness to participate. Bob S- offered to donate a Waco biplane model. More to come on this topic.

New Business:

Bob LaFlamme advised that he's appointed Stan Kulesa to chair the Nominating Committee. Stan

announced that, in accordance with our by-laws, nominations for the Executive Committee positions are now underway. He asked for volunteers to work on the committee and Tom M- and Dennis T- stepped forward. Stan reviewed the nomination process with the membership. He invited those members interested in serving a one-year term as a club officer to speak with any member of the Nominating Committee as soon as possible. The Nominating Committee must present candidates to the Executive Committee on or before November 1. Nominations may be made no

later than during the November meeting.

Announcements:

Kevin C- announced that he had a Goldberg Ultimate and motor up for sale and invited a reasonable offer.

Larry C- asked if the club could provide an incentive to benefit the volunteer mowing team. Bob LaFlamme thanked Larry for the idea and said that the Executive Committee has discussed the topic and would discuss it further.

Bob S- announced that indoor flying will begin at the East Windsor Dome on 11/12/21

between 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM. Those interested should see Bob or Irv T-.

Wayne G- asked about the weekly Zoom meetings held on Friday evenings which are open to all members to communicate with one another. Wayne noted that not too many members are taking advantage of the service and encouraged participation.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:52 AM.

These minutes are respectfully submitted by Stan Kulesa, Secretary.



An assortment of Float Fly Planes that were flown at David Arzt's final 2021 Float Fly

From the Treasurer:



Len Marchese

NCRCC Treasurer

Here we are in the month of November..... OMG, where has the time gone?

Many things are happening that we need to keep the club functioning. The main event is the 2022 Membership renewal, which all of you should have already received your renewal package. If you have not, please contact me by way of email at

lpmarchese@yahoo.com.

The importance of your renewal is vital for NCRCC to maintain operations to keep the field in excellent condition and maintenance to all club equipment. Without your renewal there would be no NCRCC. So please, either renewal by way of PayPal or send payment with your

application to NCRCC P.O. Box, or either of the next three (3) November – January club meetings. The deadline is January 14, 2022.

Keep in mind that the sanitation unit and the dumpster will be on the field property for the winter season. The sanitation unit will be winterized and not serviced, and the dumpster will not be emptied until next season. Please limit usage of the sanitation unit and dumpster.

The Green Road Aero Society (GRAS) audit has been a success. Of the responses from GRAS holders many have opted to retain their shares, sell and a few have

donated their GRAS to NCRCC Inc. If you are interested in purchasing GRAS shares, please send me an email. Also, we have many GRAS shareholders that are deceased or have moved. An email blast will be sent sometime in November to these GRAS holders. If you have any information on their location, please notify us.

That's it for now. See you at the November club meeting, by way of Zoom, as I am out of town.

See you at the field,

Len Marchese, NCRCC



NCRCC Northern Connecticut Radio Control Club

From: **NCRCC Secretary**
To: **Distribution**

Date: **11/3/2021**
Time: **1:01 PM**

Special Email Blast to NCRCC

Greetings! Your 2022 NCRCC dues are due.

The attachment below is a cover letter from Len Marchese (Treasurer) explaining the membership renewal process.

You can renew your NCRCC membership using the **paper** application process or you can use the **paperless** application process and pay by credit card. Go to the 'Membership Info' section of the NCRCC website to print a blank membership application form and/or for more information.

You are receiving this electronic message and you will also receive a notice via U.S. Mail.

Thank you for renewing at your earliest convenience.

[Here is a link to our on-line membership application form:]

<https://northernct.files.wordpress.com/2021/05/ncrcc-memb-appl489.pdf>

November 2021 Newsletter Contribution from Dennis Thibodeau

From: **Dennis Thibodeau**
To: **Peter Tani**

Date: **11/2/2021**
Time: **4:37PM**

Subject: **For the Newsletter please, Important! Major Decals going out of business!!**

**Peter Tani and other club newsletter editors Please include this into your newsletter
If time permits
Thank you**

MAJOR DECALS GOING OUT OF BUSINESS

www.majordecals.com

Decals are Water Transfer or Pressure Sensitive!

I received a phone call from Industrial Etching, the makers
of MAJOR DECALS

They are going out of business as of November 15th 2021
If you have never used their decals for your project, they
Are the best decals I have ever used. When water transfer type are
installed and dry. The decals look like they are *PAINTED ON*.
For your scale project they have a variety of decals for just about every
project you can imagine!

I have used their Decals on all my scale aircraft for over 30 years!
I promise you, you will not be disappointed!

I will have several catalogs to distribute at the NCRCC meeting on 11/11
If you need or want some great decals, I suggest you contact them
ASAP

MAJOR DECALS
21 FISHER AVE
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PHONES 413 525-7794
800 373-8885

Dennis Thibodeau

**NCRCC – 11/11/2021
General Membership Meeting**

Agenda

- Call to order
- October meeting minutes
- President's Report
- Vice President's Report
- Secretary's Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Activities Director's Report
- Liaison Officer's Report
- Field Marshall/Safety
Officer's Report
- New Members
- Old Business
- New Business
- Announcements
- Show & Tell



Liaison Officers Report - November 2021:



John Blossick

NCRCC Liaison Officer



2021 NCRCC Club Merchandise

Thank you John.

available in select colors shipped directly to you. Besides apparel, the NCRCC designs can be applied to over 40 different items such as wall art, stickers, home and office items, plus much more! All proceeds from the item sales will go to NCRCC.

Currently, the store site doesn't offer embroidered items. The embroidered hats and polo shirts are still available from existing club stock and can be special ordered thru the club if your size is not available.

With the Thanksgiving Holiday coming up later this month, I want to wish everyone a blessed, thankful, and enjoyable celebration with family and friends.

Until Next!

John

Greetings Everyone!

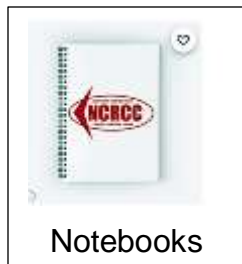
The NCRCC web store is now up and running and ready to go with a connecting link on the NCRCC home

page.

There are six different designs that can be applied to various types of high-quality apparel



Sweatshirts



Notebooks



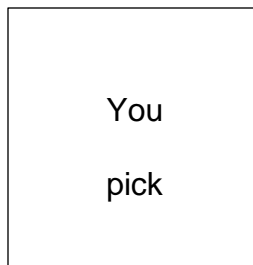
Hats



Socks



Coasters



You
pick

Consider the upcoming holiday season.

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

<https://ncrcc.org/>

See "NCRCC Swag"

**Art Usher****NCRCC Field Supervisor**

Daylight is getting shorter and so is the time we have to fly before the snow comes. I urge everyone to get to our beautifully maintained field and fly. Our mowing crew continues to do an outstanding job keeping the field in great shape.

Recently a problem has happened to the PTO for the mower deck on the tractor. Glenn Schlude is looking into whether it is something he can fix it or if we might have to bring it to "United Agg and Turf", formerly "Stanton equipment". I should know more by the time we meet

in person at the library.

At this time I would like to thank Grant Louis, Corky LaDuke, and Al Ritchotte, formerly of the Westfield club for their generous donation of equipment from their former club. We now have 5 large tables to assemble aircraft, 6 more run up stands that need a little attention in the spring, a porti-poti that will be used for events only, 2 folding picnic tables (stored in one of the containers) for use during events and a nice park style bench that can be used to look out over our beautiful field. I,

Field Supervisors Report – November 2021

We greatly appreciate these donations to our club.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our first indoor meeting at the Somers library. Masks are mandatory at the library, we will be allowed to remove them during our coffee and donut break but they must be put back on when we finish the break. Also don't forget Friday November 12th is the first day of indoor flying at the sports dome in east windsor. 1-3 pm. see you there

Art

From: **Irv Thurrott**
To: **East Windsor Dome distribution**

Date **11/1/2021**
Time: **9:04 PM**

Subject: **East Windsor Dome Indoor Flying begins November 12th!**

All -

Mr. Spooner has proclaimed that the East Windsor Dome will be open for the initial session of Indoor Flying on November 12, 2021.

The Time will be as usual, 1-3 PM, and admission also remains the same - \$10 for 2 hours.

Note - all attendees should be COVID vaccinated for the safety of everyone.

Hope to see you there.

Irv T.



Activities Director's Report – November 2021



Peter Tani
NCRCC
Activities Director

Hello all

I hope everyone is taking advantage of the relatively mild weather we have been experiencing so far in October. Don't believe at the time of this writing that we have had a true hard frost.

Thank you very much Irv T- for running our 2021 Randy Hickton Memorial Fun Fly. It has been a tradition to hold a club event after our last typically in October outdoor meeting that also is on a Saturday with a club sponsored breakfast. Thank you Len for taking responsible charge of our breakfast activity. Thank you too Bob L-, Mike M- and anyone I may have forgotten for volunteering and in assisting Len including after breakfast cleanup and restowing of tables and the like.

Our Randy Hickton Memorial Fun Fly took place on Saturday October 9, 2021. We had four individual events each of which was run as an independent competition, with awards for each. First was a "Taxi Race" between cones spaced a roughly 7 foot intervals. Second a somewhat chance based "Dice Roll" with pilots required to do the rolled number of loops and land then roll this same number

in the shortest time. Third "Bowling with Airplanes" a traditional ncrcc fun fly event where by selection of several string and selected "bowling" balls were made available to be attached to the competitors craft and given three chances to knock down pins. The largest number won and it was not as easy as it might sound. Fourth was "Best Three Maneuvers" each being described in advance and graded based on difficulty and accuracy. There were eleven entries.



Standing Lt to Rt: Charlie M-, Joel L-, Alene L-, David A-, Stan B-, Peter T-, Larry C-

Kneeling Lt. to Rt: Lois M-, Joe A-, John P-, Corky L-

Congratulations: Mark Henrie first place both "Taxi Race" and "Dice Roll"; Ralph Baker first place "Bowling with Airplanes"; Bill Glode first place "Best Three maneuvers". Mark Henrie was overall winner and recipient of the 2021 Randy Hickton Memorial Fun Fly trophy. Congratulations Mark.

The final David Arzt Crystal Lake float fly of 2021 was postponed from its original Monday October 4, 2021 date to Wednesday October 6, 2021 due to rain. Thank you Stan K- for making a broadcast email to our group alerting all of this last moment change. Was great fun and well attended. Charlie M- was in attendance with his daughter Lois. Joel L- was in attendance with his wife Alene. Was great fun and much better weather. Thank you Dave for: sponsoring four events, coordinating with the Yankee Flyers of Connecticut at West Thompson Lake, providing lunch, fetching airplanes, and promoting/ advertising in 2021.

As we move into the month of November, indoor flying will once again start. Event organizer Bob Spooner has arranged for indoor flying at the East Windsor Dome.

Thank you Bob S-. The initial session will start on Friday November 12, 2021. The time will be as usual from 1 to 3pm and admission remains the same at \$10 for 2 hours. Organizers and facility owners recommend covid vaccination for the safety of everyone. If you would like to be placed on the related email distribution list please contact Irv Thurrott. It is though this list that changes in times and dates are made know. Thank you Irv T-.

Lastly, just thought to mention a few

other ncrcc club related items. Thank you to the nominating committee in helping with our 2022 ncrcc election process that is currently in progress. Thank you Len M- for your efforts related to our 2022 membership renewal process. Please be sure to respond to this USPS mailing. The Green Road Aero Society (GRAS) audit has also been in progress. Thank you Len for a success campaign.

---Peter



Float Flying Fun



Congratulations overall winner Mark H-

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