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Northern Connecticut Radio Control Club

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NEXT MEETING
August 14th, 6pm
NCRCC Field
5pm Cookout

Please send any
 newsletter contributions to
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30th ANNUAL DAWN PATROL

The 30th Annual Dawn Patrol Over Green Road Sector was a huge success, expanding to a two-day event with 27 registered pilots—well above the traditional one-day format and recent average of 20 pilots. Attendees enjoyed great weather, a strong turnout of WWI and Golden Age aircraft (from early-war Taubes to Curtiss P-6E Hawks), and delicious food provided by the NCRCC's volunteer cooks.

While the event has transitioned from an AMA/IMAA giant-scale WWI gathering to an AMA-sanctioned any-scale event, it proudly continues to showcase aircraft ranging from pre-WWI through the Golden Age.

Sincere thanks go out to all the pilots and to the NCRCC for their continued support. Special appreciation to the previous Contest Directors for keeping the event an annual tradition over the years, and a heartfelt thank-you to the original "renegade" members, Paul S. and Bob B., for starting this wonderful tradition.. ←



The Dawn Patrol Lineup

See many more great photos by Irv on pages 6-8



THIS JUST IN
NEPRO PYLON RACING
REUNION and FUN FLY
THIS SATURDAY
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OFFICER REPORTS



Mike Maznicki
President

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President Mike Maznicki began the meeting by thanking our cooks John Messenger and Rob Hebert for grilling and providing cold drinks for those in attendance, a thankful applause followed from the

membership.

Mike thanked Wayne Gustafson our newsletter editor for putting out great content month after month. The latest issue featured photos of the Thompson Lake float fly taken by Vinny Otsuki. ◀



Buddy Beaudoin
Vice President

Vice President

Buddy Beaudoin spoke of his plans for the August 2nd club potluck picnic noon-6pm. Bring a dish to share, something to cook, NCRCC will provide a hot grill. Two activities are planned, 2 pole pylon racing and streamer

cut combat.

Dawn Patrol CD Ron Vernier spoke of this two-day event honoring its 30th year anniversary. July 12th and 13th Pre WWI, WWI, and Golden Age aircraft will patrol the skies over Green Road Sector from 7am-3pm with general flying for membership after.

Bob Hughes attending his second meeting was voted in to the club. Alan (Junior) Crawford who enjoys warbirds and some 3D flying introduced himself and provided an application to join. ◀



Bill Cranford
Secretary

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38 members and 1 guest were in attendance.

Addressing a question from the previous meeting, Skylark Airport is 4 miles from NCRCC, not within the 2-mile distance that the AMA has asked us to notify of the

new 700' authorization from sunrise to sunset only.

Our club trainer, the Aero Scout is in Kevin Cyr's possession. IP instructors if you would like to use this model contact Kevin or myself. Kevin shared that he has had two students fly the Aero Scout on the buddy box system, Both the students and Kevin feel the Aero Scout is an advanced trainer with first time students being more comfortable with the larger Apprentice.

The next membership meeting will be held on Thursday August 14th at our flying field. A cookout is set to begin at 5pm with the meeting starting at 6pm. ◀



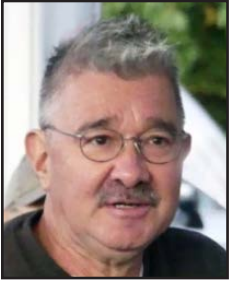
Ray Murphy
Liaison Officer

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Ray Murphy presented the raffle, an Elder X1 containing servos. The winning ticket held by Wayne Gustafson our talented newsletter editor. Ray mentioned a few hats and T-shirts are still available and NCRCC stickers can

be purchased from him. Coming soon will be new club merchandise able to be purchased online from a link on our website made by JSE Embroidery, a small business in Michigan as advertised in Model Aviation Magazine. We provide our logo and NCRCC will earn 7% of sales quarterly. Group buys will be possible to save on shipping costs. ◀

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Peter Tani
Activity Director

Activities Director

Great job all.
Love it when a plan comes together. And now in, 2025, for two-consecutive days.
Our 30th annual Dawn Patrol over Green Road Sector is a continued success.
That our July NCRCC

newsletter has currently risen to 10 pages; Myself happy. During my tenure was up to even twelve. And if even one more page – resulting in fourteen pages total, would have required additional USPS postage.

Presently electronic-delivery and trust most will skim and extract their best benefit based on their individual circumstance.

Trust very many and in past ncrcc leadership members hale from Fortune 100 companies, including myself. Think in retirement to “knock it out of the park”, for success.

While also keeping in mind we are an RC flying club where mostly grown men also fly toy airplanes.

And just for fun and enjoyment.

More later. Please all keep first weekend in August open. For continued fun.

---Peter ◀



Len Marchese
Treasurer

Treasurer

We just completed a very successful month of July 2025. The incredible Annual and 30th anniversary of the “Dawn Patrol” event. I want to take this opportunity to congratulate NCRCC event coordinator Ron Vernier and

his entire support crew on the success and continuing the tradition of this 30th anniversary of the Dawn Patrol. A very special thank you to the founders of the Dawn Patrol event to current NCRCC member Bob Boulais and the late NCRCC member Paul Savastano.

It is also great to see many NCRCC members flying at the field daily and just taking advantage of the beautiful July weather.

Financially, we are in excellent position. During the month of July, we paid our annual property taxes to the Town of Ellington, cleaning our portable handicap unit, dumpster pickup, mower maintenance and day-to-day business at the field.

Well, that is it for now. Hope to see many of you at the next member meeting Thursday August 14, 2025. Don’t forget burgers and dogs on the grill at 5pm and the club meeting promptly at 6pm.

If you have any concerns or questions regarding NCRCC, please attend the June member meetings.

See you at the flying field, Thursday August 14th, 2025

Len Marchese, NCRCC Treasurer ◀

OFFICER REPORTS



Bob Viering
Field Supervisor

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Bob Viering thanked our volunteer mowing crew. Bob announced that the condition of our zero turn mower has declined. Though still operational the engine continues to burn oil, and many linkages

and attachments are continuing to wear out on the homeowner grade mower. Bob asked for feedback on the idea of purchasing a commercial grade zero turn mower and selling our current mower while it is still worth something or run it into the ground. A popular idea from membership is to look for end of season sales for zero turn replacement. Bob

pointed to our safety rules posted on our board reminding people to stay safe at the field, please fly with a friend. ◀

MARCH MEETING MINUTES

7/10/25 Membership Meeting Minutes

The meeting began at 6:03pm.

The June meeting minutes were approved with no corrections.

(Officer reports on previous pages)

Treasurers Report

Len Marchese presented the June financial report sharing roughly 54% of our yearly expense budget has been spent. Len asked if there were any questions, no questions were raised.

Activities Report

Contest Director John Blossick has planned Warbirds over Ellington to take place September 13th with a rain date of Sunday the 14th. Crystal Lake float fly weekday dates can be found on our website, contact Dave Arzt if

you wish to attend, bring a plane and your appetite. Yankee Flyers of CT host float flying at Thompson lake on weekends, dates found on our website.

New/Old Business

Mike Maznicki presented a cost estimate of \$800 - \$1200 to complete the underground electrical wiring with outlets and boxes from container to pavilion. A motion was made to approve this spending; the motion was seconded and majority of members in attendance voted to continue the project.

Kevin Cyr asked of any plan to remove roughly 4 trees east of runway on the other side of Green Rd. This is not our property, permission would be needed, and all of the tree material would have to be removed. Bob Laflamme suggested members mark with tape the trees that they wish to have removed.

Meeting adjourned 6:45pm ◀



JULY MEETING 2025

At the Field, 5 PM = Food, 6-7:30 = Meeting



Dawn Patrol 2025

Saturday, July 12

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photos by Irv Thurott



Dawn Patrol 2025

Sunday, July 13

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photos by Irv Thurott

Northern Connecticut Radio Control Club **NEPRO REUNION at NCRCC field**

NEPRO PYLON RACING REUNION and FUN FLY Saturday, AUGUST 2, 2025
NCRCC Field Green Rd. Ellington CT.
9:00 – 6:00 Potluck Dinner Stats at 4:00 PM

Leo Nordell, President with NEPRO Welcomes you too **THE FIRST NEPRO PYLON RACER REUNION!!!**

Non NCRCC flyers are welcome to fly as guests,
Required is valid AMA membership.
No landing fee is required at registration for the
NEPRO
A Potluck will be served, Please Bring Food to Share.

Any Questions:
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mobile: (860) 878-7852



AGENDA:

This will be a non-sanctioned open event, we will share the field with NCRCC members doing their weekend flying. We appreciate the curtesy of NCRCC members prioritizing the NEPRO Activity. By 1969, NCRCC was receiving national recognition for promoting pylon racing, this is a tradition we like to uphold and future way forward for NEPRO will be discussed at the Field on this day.

2 Poles exhibition and fun fly is open to all forms of aircraft. There will be a display of current and history Pylon Airplanes like 424, 426, 428, and Electric Q-500. 422 Q40, F3D Racing, EF1 and Formula 1. I think there might even Be a Giant Scale AT-6 on display. Attendees, please bring your airplanes for display and a chance to win the satisfaction of having the coolest or most memorable Pylon Racer on site!

We invite all Current and Past racers, callers, judges and pit crews to attend this fun-time reunion. We have many fun memories to talk about and share with other present speed freaks. Now if you are a propeller airplane speed freak, please bring your fast airplane and join us for flying or Displaying your fast Airplane!

Picture from the Last major Pylon Racing Event the 2018 Pete Reed



PLEASE LOCK GATE PROPERLY

Locking the gate properly is our best defense against vandalism at our field.

Please follow the procedure to the right, scramble combination and verify lock is locked when you are last to leave. Reports of a left open or improperly locked gate have become much too common. Thank you for your attention. ◀



Properly locked

- 1) Gate Closed
- 2) U-cover on Tang
- 3) Lock is locked, Combination scrambled



Unlocking and Locking

- 1) Pull lock outside U-cover
- 2) Set (or scramble) the Combination
- 3) Push Lock up at angle
- 4) Pull down on lock
- 5) Twist lock to remove or insert



While Flying

- 1) Swinging Gate is open
- 2) Gate components are as pictured

EVENTS AROUND THE AREA

DATE	EVENT	CD	EMAIL / PHONE
8/2	NCRCC Pot Luck Dinner at the Field	OLA & LEO NORDELL	olanordell@olanordellmotorsports.com
8/10	West Thompson Lake Float Fly	YANKEE FLYERS OF CT	dblack8605@sbcglobal.net
9/7	West Thompson Lake Float Fly	YANKEE FLYERS OF CT	dblack8605@sbcglobal.net
9/13 (RD 9/14)	NCRCC Warbirds over Ellington	JOHN BLOSSICK	jblossick@aol.com