



AMA Charter #2417

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# Eagles' News



## Cheers to our President

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### Our next meeting will be on Wednesday February 4th.

It's been three years now since Frank has been our president and he's hard at work saving our military personnel from danger, putting the kids to bed and probably now, around midnight or so just getting to bed. For all of his hard work and the fact that he's late again getting the column in for the newsletter, I thought I'd give him a break this last time and forgo the call to him late at night and just use the space to thank him for all his hard work. For the 35 times that he showed up and led the monthly meetings, for feeding us when we were cold and frostbit, for pushing us to premier AMA club status, for guilting the members to go above and beyond what they were used to and finally for volunteering his own time when the guilt just didn't work on any of us! Thank You Frank from all of the club members. This leads us to our next meeting where we are going to be having officer elections. I encourage as many of you as possible to attend. See last month's meeting minutes to view the nominations, then come to the meeting on the 4th to vote. Even if you believe somebody else should be nominated for a position, it is not too late. Nominations can be made all the way until the vote is made. Do so now or forever until next February hold your peace. After the meeting the officers don't care what you like

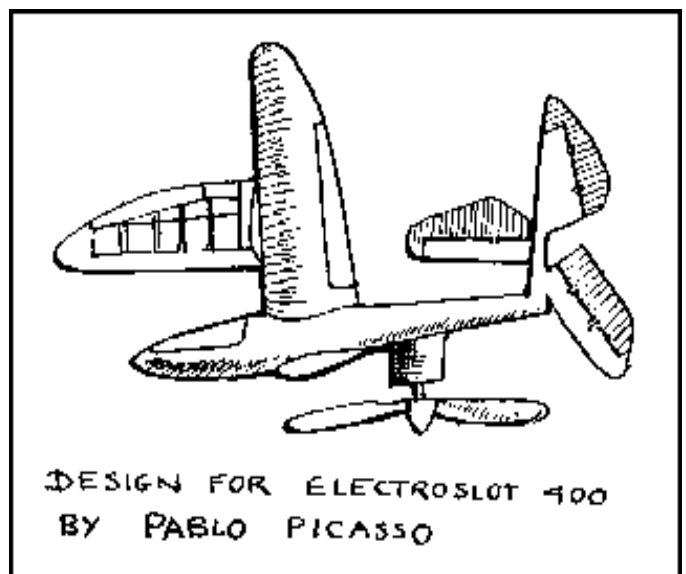
or don't like about what we're doing because you had your chance and blew it. :-> We've got another busy year ahead of us. Eagles Cup 2004 starts this Sunday. Since this is a tough month and the Eagles Cup which hasn't been planned yet for this year, comes before the meeting, we'll have to wing it (no pun intended). So.....this year we'll start it off with "Timed Pattern" I'll run the event as long as everyone else shows up with their mittens, planes and money. Start time will be 10:00am as usual. Besides the Eagles Cup we've also got the Winter Carnival this month, a super gargantuan auction in Connecticut which I hear is absolutely ridiculous, the WRAM show in Westchester, NY and the Lazy Loopers auction close by for those of you who don't want to travel anywhere. Even

though it's going to snow tomorrow night, I've noticed that the sun hasn't set yet now when I leave work. That's a good thing. Only one thing that means...that spring and summer are not far away. Keep peddling on your winter projects, in only a few short months, we're going to be having our annual show and tell. If you haven't paid your 2004 dues yet, do so soon. I have a funny feeling the officers aren't going to be easy this year and start charging initiation fees to those who are late.

See you all on Wednesday, keep the frostbite off those hands.  
Mark

### What's Happening This Month:

- ?? 1st Eagles Cup 10:00am at the field.
- ?? 4th Club Meeting 7:30 pm at the church **ELECTIONS**
- ?? 7th-8th Northern CT RC Club Annual Auction. See [www.ncrcc.org](http://www.ncrcc.org) for details
- ?? 8th Lazy Loopers Auction 12:00pm at the Elks Club in Franklin, MA
- ?? 14th Merrimack Winter Carnival 10:00am at Wasserman Park in Merrimack
- ?? 20th-22nd WRAM Show, Westchester, All weekend. See [www.wram.org](http://www.wram.org) for details



## Frozen Fingers Fun Fly

*It's a new year  
for Eagles Cup.  
You can't win if  
you don't come  
out and crash!!*



## December Meeting Minutes

### SNHFE Meeting Minutes: Jan 7, 2004

Meeting Called to order at 7:31 by Frank Phillips.  
Today's attendance is about 26 members.

New members/ guests: None.

#### **Officer Reports:**

President Frank Phillips: We'll be processing membership renewals tonight. SNHRCC will be holding its Weight Lift III competition on July 25<sup>th</sup>. CAGS auction on Jan 24<sup>th</sup>: registration at 10am, auction at noon. SNHRCC Auction Tues Jan 13<sup>th</sup>.

VP Jim Burns: absent.

Treasurer Jim Austin: Treasury reported. 121 members. 22 renewals so far in 2004. 125 gallons of fuel sold in 2003. An Exacto set is today's raffle prize.

Secretary Dave Majchrzak: No report.

Field Marshall Duane: absent.

Safety Officer Dave Beach: No injuries. A plane did venture onto the wrong side of the flight line. Please remember, safety first.

Newsletter Editor Mark Devins: No report.

#### **Old business**

- ? Merrimack High School FIRST program: Transmitter for FIRST program ready.
- ? Banquet: At the Ground Round Jan 18<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 9pm. Italian Buffet at 5:30 for \$20 per person.
- ? Motion for club to pay for officer banquet meals brought by Bob LaCroix, seconded by Jerry Leach. Motion Passed.
- ? Frozen Fingers Fun Fly: Prizes are nice: G2 Lite, OS AX .46, Norvel 25 BigMig, Hitec Electron Receiver. Admission is free if your dues are paid, \$5 otherwise. Setup at 8am Sunday.

#### **New business:**

- ? Bruce G. requested that the monthly meeting educational program be restarted. Frank responded that the program is usually run by the VP and that the program will be revisited by the new administration.
- ? Al Fisher will try to pick up a couple of new how-to RC videos for the club to aid education.
- ? There has been some interest in an alternate meeting place. Possible options include the Merrimack High School, Adult Senior Center.
- ? Bruce G. reported that interference on ch48 took down a plane. Discussion occurred on possible causes, interference and otherwise: Loose battery, proximity to microwave tower, servo cable

#### **Safety Tip of the Month**

Range check your model before every flight. Some strange things have been happening at the field with people losing models due to what they believe to be non-static interference on many channels.

## CLUB OFFICERS FOR 2003

OFFICE	NAME	ADDRESS	CITY	E-MAIL	PHONE
PRESIDENT	FRANK PHILLIPS	44 PEARSON ROAD	MERRIMACK, NH 03054	fepman@adelphia.net	424-2923
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TREASURER	Jim Austin	17 Whittier Road	MERRIMACK, NH 03054	ka2rvo@concentric.net	423-0031
FIELD MARSHAL	DUANE MALLOWS	PO Box 128	WILTON, NH 03086		321-1457
SAFETY OFFICER	DAVE BEACH	25 SIMEON WILSON ROAD	AMHERST, NH 03031	webmaster@snhflyingeagles.org	673-7362
NEWSLETTER EDITOR	MARK DEVINS	19 SHINGLE MILL DRIVE	NASHUA, NH, 03062	markd73@comcast.net	305-7663

## Active Instructors

\* = AMA Intro Pilot Instructor

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*Jim Burns	429-2995	jburnsflying@earthlink.com
Mark Duckworth	429-0619	mark.duckworth@polycom.com
Duane Mallows	321-1457	
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Dave Majchrzak	424-8442	<a href="mailto:dmajchrzak@adelphia.net">dmajchrzak@adelphia.net</a>
Brian Henderson	867-7920	smbklsuper@aol.com
Mark Devins	305-7663	markd73@comcast.net

## Meeting Minutes Cont'd

?? close to antenna, park fliers at Litchfield Middle school etc.. Please report all interference.

?? Elections occur next month! Duties of office presented. Nominations for the 7 elected officers:

?? The following are running again for the same position held in 2003

- ? Mark Devins – Newsletter
- ? Jim Austin – Treasurer
- ? Dave Majchrzak – Secretary
- ? Nominations for vacant positions in 2004
- ? Dave Beach – Vice President
- ? Bill Bootle – Field Marshall
- ? President – Bruce Gruenbaum
- ? Safety – Brian Henderson & Chris Frost
- ? Volunteers who stepped up to help out with unelected positions
- ? Eagles Cup Chair – Chris Frost
- ? Head Instructor – (appointed by Prez)
- ? Float Fly – (looking for volunteers)
- ? Show n Tell Organizer – Bob Sylvester
- ? 4<sup>th</sup> July Parade – (looking for volunteers)
- ?? 4<sup>th</sup> of July Flying Demo @ High School – Jerry L., Dave M.
- ?? Toys for Tots – Frank Philips
- Web Master – Dave Beach

Meeting ended at 9:09pm.

### Flying Eagles On the 'Net

**Web site:** [www.snhflyingeagles.org](http://www.snhflyingeagles.org)

**Group email:** [groups.yahoo.com/group/snhflyingeagles](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/snhflyingeagles)  
(click the "Join this group!" link)

# Southern New Hampshire Flying Eagles Radio Control Club Membership Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Radio Channels (if you know them) \_\_\_\_\_

AMA # \_\_\_\_\_ (must have an active membership to fly)

I will \_\_\_ will not \_\_\_ receive the Newsletter electronically. (Check one)

Annual Dues:

**All new members and renewals after the April meeting must include \$25 for initiation fee**

Elder \$25 Age 61 or over

Junior \$15 Under 19

Family \$10 Each Family member of a Regular or Elder, no newsletter.

Regular \$45

? Deduct \$5 if a valid email address is provided and the member receives the Newsletter electronically. (Applies to Elder, Junior, Regular Memberships only)

? New, regular members shall have their dues pro-rated for their first year Ex. A member joining in March will pay \$62.50 (10/12 \* \$45 dues + \$25 initiation). Existing members pay \$45 annually.

**I RECOGNIZE A MODEL AIRPLANE IS NOT A TOY, AND MUST BE OPERATED AT ALL TIMES IN A SAFE MANNER**

**I AGREE NOT TO HOLD THE SOUTHERN NEW HAMPSHIRE FLYING EAGLES RADIO CONTROL CLUB, AND MY INSTRUCTOR, IF I AM RECEIVING INSTUCTION, RESPONSIBLE OR LIABLE IN ANY WAY FOR INJURY, LOSS, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE I MAY SUFFER DUE TO ANY REASON, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO PILOT ERROR OR MECHANICAL FAILURE.**

**I AGREE I WILL NOT FLY AT ANY SNHFERCC FIELD OR EVENT WITHOUT AN ACTIVE INSTURCTOR UNTIL I HAVE BEEN APPROVED FOR SOLO FLIGHT.**

**I CERTIFY I HYAVE READ THE ACADEMY OF MODEL AERONAUTICS "NATIONAL MODEL AIRCRAFT SAFETY CODE," AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY ITS TERMS AND CONDITIONS AT ALL TIMES.**

**I AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE CLUBS BY-LAWS, SAFETY RULES AND RECOMMENDED FLIGHT OPERATIONS**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Signature if under 18: \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to Southern NH Flying Eagles.

Mail check and copy of active AMA card to:

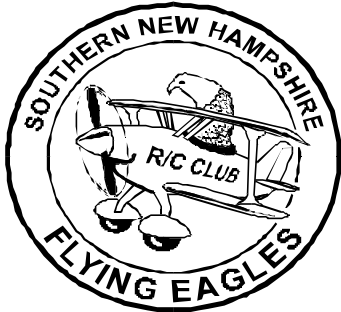
James Austin  
Treasurer of the Flying Eagles  
19 Whittier Rd.  
Merrimack, NH, 03054

**Before mailing, make sure you include:**

- 1) Copy of AMA card.
- 2) Initiation fee (extra \$25) if new member
- 3) Self addressed stamped envelope

Southern New Hampshire  
Flying Eagles R/C Club  
Drobysch-Patterson Field  
just off Griffin Street  
Merrimack, NH

We're on the Web:  
[www.snhflyingeagles.org](http://www.snhflyingeagles.org)



## Treasurer's Note

### It's Still Time to Renew Your Membership!

By now, everyone has received renewal applications from the AMA. Hopefully some of you have sent in your money and have received your 2004 AMA Membership Card. If you have received your 2004 card, you can renew your membership in the Southern NH Flying Eagles Radio Control Club.

Included in this newsletter is the Membership Application. The Officers want to make sure we have current contact information and also want every member to reaffirm their recognition of the AMA and Club Safety requirements. We also have a section for you to list the Radio Channels that you currently use. We are keeping a listing of the Channels members use to aid members when buying new equipment.

You can renew your membership at any club meeting, just bring your filled in Membership Application, 2004 AMA Card, your dues and see me, Jim Austin, at the meeting. You can also renew by mail. Again, send me your filled in application, a copy of your 2004 AMA Card, your dues and I really would like a Self Addressed Stamped Envelope to send your 2004 Flying Eagles Membership Card to you. My address is at the bottom of the application. The Membership Application is also available on the Website (same form for new member application and renewals).

If you haven't done so already, renew your AMA membership and as soon as you get your 2004 AMA Card, send in your Flying Eagles renewal. Remember, according to our Bylaws, after the February meeting you are not allowed to fly at our fields without a current membership and after the April meeting, you will be required to pay the Initiation Fee to renew your membership!