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Eagles' News



From the President

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Our next meeting will be on **Wednesday December 7th at St. James Church at 7:30pm.**

HAPPY NEW YEAR! I hope that Santa was good to each of you. I have now successfully converted my family and friends from getting me clothes to getting me RC Buyer gift certificates.

The Yankee Swap was a great success. We had lots of food and drink and everyone went home with a great gift. Our first meeting of 2004 is when we hold nominations for officers. As of the December officers meeting we need to elect a President, and Vice President, and a Field Marshal at a minimum. If you interested in running for a position or for helping in any capacity please let me know. This club runs on volunteers and with out you we don't have a club.

On January 11th we will have our FFFF (Frozen Fingers Fun Fly), at 10:00am. Dave Beach has volunteered to be the CD for the event. This years event should be GREAT! Why you ask because the club had GREAT prizes. We have a Real Flight G2-Lite, a OS AFX 46 Engine, a Norvel 25 Engine, and a Hi-Tech 6 channel Rx. We are going to have first, second, third prize for the contest and then a door prize for any member that comes down to watch/help and has paid there 2004 dues. The entrance fee for pilots is FREE, with your paid 2004 dues, and \$5 if you

are from another club. If you would like to help Dave out please give him a call or drop him an e-mail.

On January 18th we will hold our Annual Banquette at The Ground Round in Nashua. We will meet around 5:00pm where we will have drinks and socializing until 6:00pm when we will have a Italian Dinner Buffet. We need 20 people to get the room so please buy your tickets early so we can get a headcount. I will have them at the next meeting or you can e-mail me or phone me. The price is \$20 which includes a choice of Salad, Rolls, Chicken Broccoli Fettuccini, Chicken Cacciatore, Spaghetti and Meatballs, Desert, unlimited Soda, Coffee, tax and

tip. After dinner we hand out awards. Speaking of awards if any of you have someone that you think deserves recognition please send me an e-mail or give me a call.

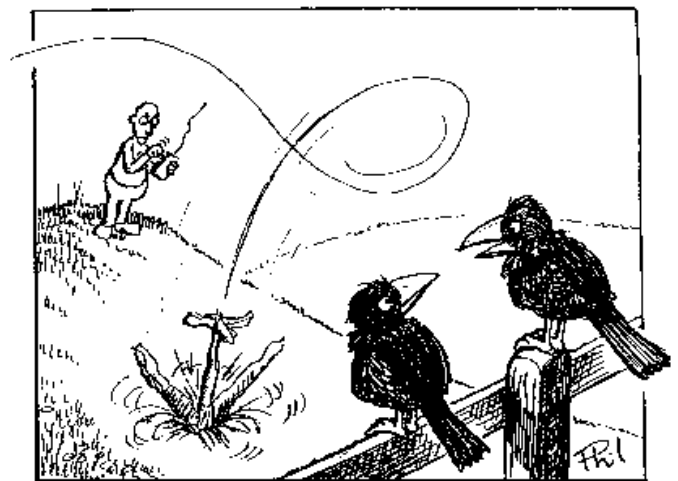
Also it is membership renewal time. Please fill out the application and send it into Jim Austin. We are asking everyone fill out an application each year so we have a current signature and current info on all members.

I would like to wish each of you and your families a very Happy New Year.

That's it for now.
Frank

What's Happening This Month:

- ?? 7th Club Meeting
7:30 pm at the church
- ?? 11th (18th) 2004 Frozen Fingers Fun Fly
9:30am at the field
- ?? 18th Club Awards Banquet at The Ground Round in Nashua at 5:00pm



If they really are diving for worms tell me how they know where they are!

Eagles Precision Egg Land By: Mark Duckworth

I didn't expect anybody to show up for the touch and go event while the snow was still falling. And it was windy, too. But I was about to head to the field anyway when Jim called and said he was there waiting for me! I thought the snow would be too fluffy for my plane on skis to take off, so I didn't bother bringing it. I'd just let the other fools fly in the snowstorm.

*Santa can't
bring you new
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keep them out
of the propeller.*

There were also a couple of others at the field, but Jim was the only one who wanted to fly, so he did the event with 7 touches in 1 minute 43 seconds. The goal was to do as many touches as you could in 2 minutes, timing yourself without a watch, with 1 point deducted for each second under 2 minutes, 2 points deducted for each second over 2 minutes, and 5 points added for each touch and go. Jim didn't want to fly alone, so he offered to let me compete with his plane. I took a quick practice flight to get used to the plane. After repairing a dangling ski, I was ready to try the touch and gos. I knew I couldn't do it as quickly as Jim, so I figured if I did 7 touches I would be close to 2 minutes. I ended up doing the 7 touches, but in 2 minutes 18 seconds, so Jim won easily on points. It takes a lot of concentration to keep count of time in your head when doing touch and gos in the wind.

And thanks to Brian, who I assume is the one who plowed the lot that morning.

Competitor	Place	Points
Jim Burns	1	10
Mark Duckworth	2	9

Contestant	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Top 6	Total
Jim Burns	8	10	10	6		10	10	10	9	5	10	60	88
Mark Duckworth	10	9	8	8			4	5	8	10	9	54	71
Dave Beach		7	9	7		8	7	9	7	3		47	57
Bob Tanner	7	6	6	3		7	5	7	10	8		45	59
Bob Terry	9	8	5	5		4		6		9		42	46
Duane Mallows	6		7	9			9					31	31
Brian Henderson				10		9	6	5				30	30
Dave Majchrzak				2		6		8	6	4		26	26
Mike Roberts						5	8					13	13
Bob Sylvester				4						6		10	10
Chris Frost										7		7	7
John Spitz						3						3	3
Frank Phillips						2						2	2

December Meeting Minutes

SNHFE Meeting Minutes: Dec 3, 2003

Meeting Called to order at 7:45 by Jim Austin.
Today's attendance is about 18 members.

New members/ quests: None.

Officer Reports:

President: Frank Phillips: absent

VP: Jim Burns: absent

Treasurer: Jim Austin: Treasury reported. 120 members. 120 gallons of fuel sold to date. It's time to renew your AMA and club memberships. 2 Large red SNHFE t-shirts are available for \$5 each.

Secretary: Dave Majchrzak: Both JR buddy boxes are back in action. Member mentioned that the second JR cable is missing though.

Field Marshall: Duane was absent.

Safety: Dave Beach: No safety issues. Only heli fuel left in container. There are some crash parts left in the container (servo, gear).

Newsletter Editor: Mark Devins: No report.

Old business

- ? Merrimack High School FIRST program: SNHFE club may donate an RC transmitter (75Mhz) to this program that promotes technology in schools. This has not been done yet.
- ? November meeting minutes were accepted as written.

New business:

- ? Officer nominations will occur in the January meeting with voting occurring at the February '04 meeting. As of now, there are no candidates for President or VP. Member mentioned that vacating officers have helped recruit replacements in the past.
- ? Club banquet: In addition to last months suggestions, Joe Marrone collected banquet info from the Ground Round. Per plate and buffet options were available. Banquet is tentatively scheduled for January 18th. No action was taken at this meeting. Location is still undetermined.
 - o Joe Marrone made a motion that if the banquet room had a fee, the club was authorized to pay upto \$100 for the room fee from the treasury. Motion was seconded and passed with a show of hands.
- ? Dave Beach will CD Frozen Fingers Fun Fly. Scheduled for Jan 11th with a 'bad weather' date of the 18th. Bob LaCroix volunteered to cook for the event.
- ? New stove: Brian Henderson is working on it. He'll also help move old one to the dump.
- ? Bob Sylvester is still selling some RC planes/equipment for Mike Roberts.

Meeting ended at 8:10. On to the Yankee swap!

Safety Tip of the Month

Watch out for the ice at the field.

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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* = AMA Intro Pilot Instructor

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Duane Mallows	321-1457	
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Bob Sylvester	882-6159	bobloves2fly@cs.com
Bob Terry, Jr.	424-1813	rterryiii@adelphia.net
Dave Majchrzak	424-8442	dmajchrzak@adelphia.net
Brian Henderson	867-7920	smbklsuper@aol.com
Mark Devins	305-7663	markd73@comcast.net

New Solo Pilot

Congratulations to Bruce Gruenbaum, our latest solo pilot.

Bruce has been proof that flight simulators do actually work to help you get going quickly. He had only been on the buddy box down at the field 4 or 5 times before he got the hang of it.

Flying Eagles On the 'Net

Web site: www.snhflyingeagles.org

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



Flying, Food, Fun
and Prizes for fly-
ers and non-flyers!

Possible events are:

- "Bean there, Done that"*
- Dicey Lotto*
- Balloon Bust Slalom*
- Touch and Go Blackjack*
- Climb-n-Glide*
- Egg Drop*
- Egg Land*

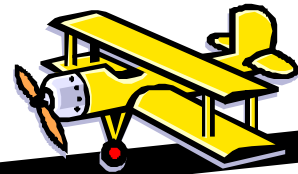
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**Flying Eagles
Frozen Fingers
Fun Fly**

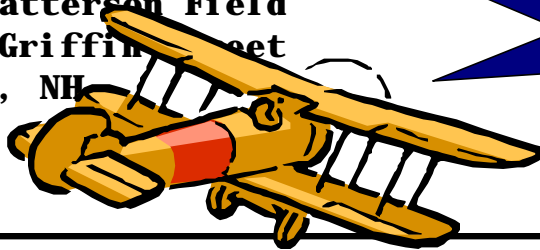
Sunday January 11th, 2004

(Snow date Jan. 18th)

9:30 Check in at the field



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



Contact: David Beach (603) 673-7362
mailto:
webmaster@snhflyingeagles.org

Open to everyone! Bring your
R/C plane and your AMA card.



For more details check the club web site at <http://www.snhflyingeagles.org>

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Treasurer's Note

It's 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!