

The Eagles' Nest



President's Report

By: John Yassemedis

Hello, Southern NH Flying Eagles family!

As we gear up for our monthly meeting this Sunday at 11:00 AM at the field, I'd like to personally invite each of you to come out and join us—and as always feel free to bring a guest to share this great hobby with! We'll discuss the new runway installation, the upcoming 4th of July parade, and other open club topics. Plus, we'll cover repairing the porta-potty steps that were damaged when the fallen tree came down and did some damage. Thank you all for being such loyal members of the Southern NH Flying Eagles—looking forward to seeing you and your guests on Sunday!

John Yassemedis

SNHFE club President



Operating our FAA
Approved FRIA Site
In Merrimack, NH

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SOUTHERN NEW HAMPSHIRE FLYING EAGLES MONTHLY CLUB MEETING May 3, 2026

Meeting held at Drobysh-Patterson Field

Meeting Called to order: 1107

Members present: 13

Attending Officers:

Johnny Yaz, President

Scott Hurley, Vice President

Trevor Cook, Club Secretary

Ted Ede, Safety Officer

Bob Fregault, Treasurer

John Spitz – Field Marshall (not present)

Tim Campbell, Newsletter (not present)

From the President:

- 4th of July, need help putting float together. Ted will bring down trailer Looking for wrapped candy donations to toss. (Always run out of candy)
- Andy Finley Memorial Flight on 23 May 2026, at 11 am. Will dedicate one of the flight stands.
- If you know member that has passed and would like to discuss adding a memorial, bring it up to the club
- Striving to be a gold club member of the AMA
- New Runway going in for the field (Scott H. and Tim S. leading)
- Concord is moving their float fly because it was scheduled the same day as ours. Look out for new date.
- Mike Fiorito won best in show and donated winnings to join as a member
- ABC Hobby and Hobby Etc good local businesses supporting the RC Hobby.

Vice President Report

- New runway now on order: 2 rolls of material, and will bring to the field for when we are ready to install (trying to get stitching on site)



- Need help laying out the runway. Old will be rolled up.
- Need to flatten out underneath.
- Hardest part will be pulling out pins of the current runway
- 12-15 volunteer goal (want to finish in one day to keep runaway down for a short period of time)
- Goal to have it in by June / July

Treasurer's Report:

- Bob F gave an overview of the March monthly revenue and expense.
 - Membership dues, sold plane at show and tell added to April's incoming budget.
 - Check has been sent to runway supplier.
 - So far we are in budget with the project
 - Cashed in CD to purchase the runway

Field Maintenance:

- Flight Stands are done and at the field.
- Bob F did the first mow of the field.

Safety Officer:

- Will apply for permit to the Merrimack for the 4th of July parade
- By AMA rules, 25 feet is boundary from the pilot station, we have more students and visitors showing up and need to ensure we keep the area safe.

Secretary's Report:

- Minutes of the last meeting accepted by all.
- George McQuillan name updated in minutes

Newsletter Editor:

- Newsletters went out, check your emails.

Other Business:

- Recommendation made by Ted E. for trash barrel at the field will be taken it out and only pulled out on Event's.
- This way we don't have trash sitting there for animals and causing a mess late as well as smells.
- Motion made to start with a sign, Ted E will create and post
- Picked date for Saturday the 16th for field cleanup.
- Clean up containers
- Clean up brush piles.
- Other Miscellaneous materials

The meeting concluded at 1138 .





RC FLEA MARKET



Saturday June 13th 2026
Rain Date: Sunday June 14th 2026
10:00AM – 1:00PM
1 B ST Derry NH



Flying enthusiasts are invited to our field to sell and/or purchase RC aircraft related items new or used. This is a cash only event:

- \$15.00 seller fee per 6FT space, includes tables (Tables Are Limited)
- \$10.00 seller fee per 6FT space if providing your own tables
- Ample parking and porta potty available. Bring your own food and beverages
- Sellers: Arrive at 9:00AM for table set-up. Open to buyers at 10:00AM
- **Sellers: Please reserve a table no later than June 7th 2026.**

PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR ANY SCHEDULE CHANGES
www.nhflyingtigers.com

CONTACT INFORMATION
John Lavery, **EVENT COORDINATOR**
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created an event.



Fri, Sep 18 - Sep 20

Club Fun Fly and Float Fly Weekend

Concord Skyhawks RC Field

☆ Interested

Club Calendar

June 7th (Sun) - Club Members meeting @ 11:00AM @ Club Field

June 15th (Mon) - Club Officers meeting @ 7PM

July 4th (Sat) – Merrimack Town 4th of July Parade

Designated Club Instruction Times: Sunday AM, Tuesday evening (during Daylight Savings Time)

Our Field on 1/4/2026





Club Safety Rules

The Southern New Hampshire Flying Eagles RC Club is an AMA-sponsored club and operates according to AMA Safety Rules. In addition, the following safety rules and practices are to be followed when flying at our flying site. The intention of these club safety rules is

- a) to maintain the highest level of personal safety for all members, guests, and spectators, and
- b) to keep our aircraft in good flying condition and to prevent unnecessary damage to them.

Please read and familiarize yourself with the AMA Safety Program that is online on the AMA web site.

General

1. All aircraft must be marked with your AMA member ID and FAA ID on an exterior surface and must be easily readable. Aircraft weighing less than .55 lbs. do not need the FAA ID.
2. No take-offs or landings from the pit area.
3. No more than 4 (four) aircraft in the air at any one time. (Helicopter hover area doesn't apply)
4. Only SNH Flying Eagles designated instructors shall give or supervise flight instruction at the SNH Flying Eagle's field.
5. All pilots are required to fly from designated areas on the flight line or hover area.
6. These Safety Rules may be amended by majority vote of the Officers.

Personal Safety

1. All flying must take place in front of the safety fence and the indefinite extensions of this fence in both directions. This means no flying over or behind the pit area, spectator area, or parking area.
2. Never taxi your aircraft in the pit area.
3. Never walk from the pit area to the flight line carrying an aircraft running at full throttle. (Exception: engines with no throttle)
4. If possible, program an easily accessible switch to kill your throttle until you are read to taxi or take off.
5. Announce your intention to take off and the direction you intend to take off in.
6. When going onto the field to retrieve an aircraft, announce your intentions loudly to all pilots on the flight line.
7. All club members will adhere to the safety guidelines as outlined in the AMA safety manual.



AMA Safety Rules

Academy of Model Aeronautics National Model Aircraft Safety Code

Effective January 1, 2018

A model aircraft is a non-human-carrying device capable of sustained flight within visual line of sight of the pilot or spotter(s). It may not exceed limitations of this code and is intended exclusively for sport, recreation, education and/or competition. All model flights must be conducted in accordance with this safety code and related AMA guidelines, any additional rules specific to the flying site, as well as all applicable laws and regulations.

As an AMA member I agree:

- I will not fly a model aircraft in a careless or reckless manner.
- I will not interfere with and will yield the right of way to all human-carrying aircraft using AMA's See and Avoid Guidance and a spotter when appropriate.
- I will not operate any model aircraft while I am under the influence of alcohol or any drug that could adversely affect my ability to safely control the model.
- I will avoid flying directly over unprotected people, moving vehicles, and occupied structures.
- I will fly Free Flight (FF) and Control Line (CL) models in compliance with AMA's safety programming.
- I will maintain visual contact of an RC model aircraft without enhancement other than corrective lenses prescribed to me. When using an advanced flight system, such as an autopilot, or flying First-Person View (FPV), I will comply with AMA's Advanced Flight System programming.
- I will only fly models weighing more than 55 pounds, including fuel, if certified through AMA's Large Model Airplane Program.
- I will only fly a turbine-powered model aircraft in compliance with AMA's Gas Turbine Program.
- I will not fly a powered model outdoors closer than 25 feet to any individual, except for myself or my helper(s) located at the flight line, unless I am taking off and landing, or as otherwise provided in AMA's Competition Regulation.
- I will use an established safety line to separate all model aircraft operations from spectators and bystanders.

For a complete copy of AMA's Safety Handbook please visit: modelaircraft.org

Your 2026-27 So. NH Flying Eagles Officers

President: John Yassemedis
 Vice President: Scott Hurley
 Secretary: Trevor Cook
 Treasurer: Bob Fregault
 Field Marshall: John Spitz
 Safety Officer: Ted Ede
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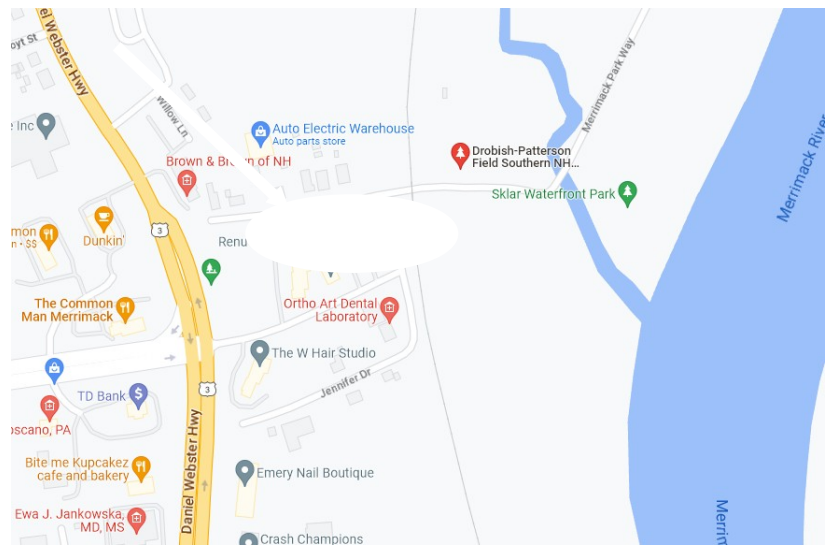
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Disclaimer:

Your dues do not entitle you to flight instruction. Flight instruction is offered free to members from certified club pilots who donate their time to help others. Flight instruction is dependent upon instructor availability and no guarantee is implied.



Drobysch-Patterson RC Field
14A Griffin St.
Merrimack, NH
03054



The Merrimack field is less than one mile from exit 11 off the Everett Turnpike. After leaving the highway, head east and go straight through all the lights and down the little hill. Spectators are encouraged to park in one of the parking lots and walk to the field. Pilots should turn left at the foot of the hill, and then make a hairpin right turn on the dirt road that goes under the railroad bridge. The field entrance is on the left as soon as you pass under the railroad tracks.



About the Southern New Hampshire Flying Eagles

- Founded 1984
- Chartered in 1985
- Approximately 100 Members
- Merrimack Flying Site Established in 1988
- Incorporated in NH as a Non-Profit Organization



- Annual Dues: \$65 Full Membership; \$35 Elders, \$35 Juniors, \$75 Family Membership
- Fabric Runway Laid in 2014
- Free Flight Instruction for Members
- AMA Chartered Club #2417
- Frozen Fingers Fun Fly (January)
- Banquet (March)
- Show & Tell (April)
- Family Picnic (August)
- Float Fly (September)

Mailing Address

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Websites

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