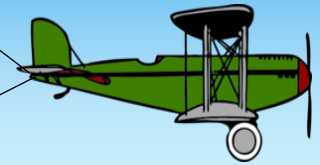


April 2024



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The RC Aces are affiliated with the AMA (Academy of Model Aeronautics), Charter #1377. Meetings are held the first Thursday of the month, September through May at the North Hampton Public Library (6:00 PM) unless otherwise notified.

All members, spouses, potential members and guests are invited to attend.

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THE NEXT RC ACES MEETING IS ON

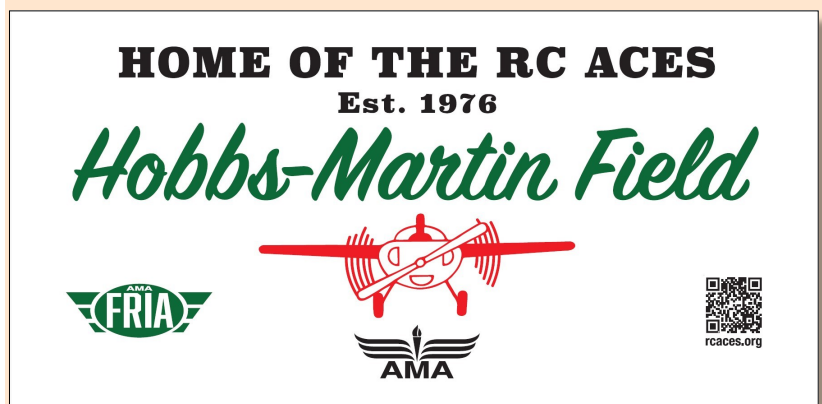
May 2, 2024



New Signs are Here!

Jeff Bullock has informed us that the new RC ACES Club signs are at his house and awaiting installation at the field during the Spring Clean-up Day, April 27 (Rain date April 28th).

The sign below will be installed on the entrance gate:



We ordered a number of the "NO PARKING" signs seen here so they can be installed along the length of the field access road.

Thank to all members who contributed design ideas for the signs, and a special thanks to **James Lewis** for his design expertise and patience during the many revisions.

See you on the 27th!

**NO
PARKING**



**ACCESS
ROAD**

Way Back When...

RC ACES Through History



1994—Lew Parish's Laser with .50 engine, and 86" wing at Hobbs Field. Includes monocoque covering, and Bennit Smoke System. Airtronics transmitter. Flies great!



June 2001—Senior Kadet at RC Aces Field in Hampton, NH



July 2002—Kadet Senior highly modified by Jerry Howard. Crashed on third flight due to lost radio signal. Remains were rebuilt in August 2002.



August 2001—Joe Ferrah preparing for flight on his Tiger 60.



Winter Down-Time Aircraft Checklist CMRCM 2019



Pilot/Owner _____

AMA# _____ FAA# _____

Aircraft _____ Complete a sheet for each of your aircraft

The Once Over:

Covering:

- ☐ Holes
- ☐ Wrinkles
- ☐ Cracked / Broken Balsa

Landing Gear:

- ☐ Wheels
- ☐ Wheel Collars
- ☐ Wheel Pants
- ☐ Retracts

Structure:

- ☐ Tail / Rudder Mounting
- ☐ Wing Solid/Straight
- ☐ Wing Bolts/Mounting
- ☐ Rubberband Posts

The Details:

Hinges:

- ☐ Ailerons
- ☐ Rudder
- ☐ Elevator
- ☐ Flaps

Control Horns:

- ☐ Throttle
- ☐ Ailerons
- ☐ Rudder
- ☐ Elevator
- ☐ Flaps

Servos:

- ☐ Mounting
- ☐ Binding
- ☐ Arm Screw
- ☐ Clear of Obstructions
- ☐ Correct Direction

Motor/Batteries:

- ☐ Firewall Screws
- ☐ Engine Mount Screws
- ☐ ESC Wires and Plugs
- ☐ Battery Wires/Connectors
- ☐ Battery Secure
- ☐ Battery Swelling
- ☐ Prop TIGHT

Engine/Tank:

- ☐ Firewall Screws
- ☐ Engine Mounting Screws
- ☐ Fuel Tank Wrapped in Foam
- ☐ Clunk not Binding
- ☐ Carb/Linkage not Binding
- ☐ Fuel Lines OK
- ☐ Kill Switch
- ☐ Exhaust Secure
- ☐ Glow/Spark Plug OK
- ☐ Prop TIGHT

Receiver:

- ☐ Battery Cycled
- ☐ Foam Wrap/Mounting Secure
- ☐ Switch OK
- ☐ Connectors OK
- ☐ Antenna Secure
- ☐ 2.4 Ghz Antennas at 90 degrees to each other
- ☐ Satellite Module installed per recommendations
- ☐ Stabilization Correct
- ☐ Servo plugs tight

Transmitter:

- ☐ Battery Cycled or New
- ☐ Antenna not Bent/Broken/Cracked
- ☐ 2.4 Ghz Antenna wires OK
- ☐ Engine/Motor Kill
- ☐ Safety Cutoff
- ☐ Programming
 - Correct Aircraft ID's
 - Control Surfaces
 - Trim Check
 - Mix Functions

Meeting Minutes from 4/11/2024

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM with 17 members in attendance. Note: meeting was originally scheduled for April 4, but was postponed due to library closing (snow storm).

Secretary's Report:

- March minutes were read and accepted as published in the Tailwinds newsletter.

Treasurer's report:

- Forty members on the roster (including three life members). To date, thirty-four have paid 2024 membership dues.
- Financial report read and accepted.

Old Business:

- Jeff has the new club signs (see page 1) and they will be installed at the Annual Spring Clean-up Day on April 27. Keith will bring six lengths of angle iron to serve as posts, and a tool to install the fence posts between the road boulders. The posts need to be drilled on site, and signs will be bolted on to each post.
- The field gate will either be painted in place or removed and transported by Keith to be painted and returned. If removed, we will install a temporary chain to secure the field.
- Discussion on purchase of CONEX container to replace shed. Dean provided a name and quote for a used container. Jim T recommended we check with the town regarding any possible ordinances forbidding long-term installation before moving forward with a purchase. Also—we would need to fabricate a ramp to allow storage of the yard tractors. If we go forward, supplier would need to do an on-site visit to see if delivery through our gate is possible.
- By nearly unanimous vote, members agreed to remove the reference to FAA requirements in the club by-laws. The responsibility to follow FAA rules is between the individual and the FAA. It was noted there have been some recent FAA inspection activity in the District 1 area.
- New membership cards were distributed at the meeting. Remaining cards will be available in the field safety box for members. New gate combo is printed on the back of the card.

New Business:

- Tasks to be accomplished on April 27th: Painting gate, fences, tables, and pilot lounge as needed. Replace tarp (8'x10' tarp to be purchased). Install new plugs on charging station (Jeff). Don will be sending an email with a task summary and items needed to complete the work.
- The website has been updated to include a flight training page. Discussion on posting pictures.
- Next monthly meeting on May 2nd.

Meeting adjourned at 6:59 PM

RC ACES 2024 MEMBERSHIP / RENEWAL FORM

First _____ Last _____ AMA #(required) _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ Cell _____ E-mail _____

Regular Membership \$75.00 (ages 18 to 64)

Junior Membership \$20.00 (ages 17 and under)

Senior Membership \$60.00 (ages 65 and over)

New members please include an additional \$35.00 one time initiation fee

(Fees are subject to change)

Total Due \$ _____

As a member of the RC ACES Radio Control Club I agree to the following:

I have read and agree to abide by the Official Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) National Model Aircraft Safety Code, the club by-laws and all rules and regulations of the RC ACES.

I agree to release club members or club officers from liability if an aircraft I am operating is involved in an accident or otherwise causes harm to another person or property or if I am injured as a result of any activity related to club activities or operation of model aircraft.

(The intent of the above statement is to keep others not directly involved with an incident out of any proceedings related to the incident)

I agree to assume all liability for any model that I am operating in case of harm to other persons or property.

Signature _____ Date _____
(parent if a Junior member)

Membership renewals may be brought to the regular meeting held at the North Hampton Public Library at 6:00 pm on the first Thursday of every month, starting in September or mailed to the address below:

NOTE: Please make checks payable to RC ACES

**RC ACES
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RC Aces membership period is from April 15, 2024 to April 14, 2025.