



September 2025

TAILWINDS

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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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Open that Safety Box and Bring the Gate Lock

A few years ago one of our club members was doing a little 3-D flying at the airfield. Unfortunately, a sudden cross-wind pushed the plane toward him and the propeller proceeded to what propellers do when that meet with human flesh.

From that little episode came the incentive to install a "safety box" at the airfield with a first aid kit inside. Trust me—the last thing you want to do is try searching for first aid supplies when someone is bleeding on the airfield.

As was reviewed at our last club meeting, the correct procedure for the first person to arrive at the airfield is as follows:

- After unlocking the gate, carry the lock to the pilot shack.
- Open the safety box (same combination as the lock)
- Place the lock on the lid hook (as shown in the picture).

After you're done flying, the last person to leave the field should remove the gate lock, close the lid to the safety box, and bring the lock to the gate so it can be secured.

Through this standard procedure, we make sure the first aid kit is available when needed, and ensure the lock combination is not compromised by being left at the gate.



THE NEXT RC ACES MEETING IS ON

***** October 2, 2025 *****



Meeting Notes

September 4, 2025

Meeting called to order: 6:06 PM

Attendees: 11, including 2 on Zoom

Secretary's Report: Minutes from the May meeting were read.

Treasurer's Report: We have 39 members. Checking and savings balances were reviewed.

Field Safety Coordinator's Report: No Report

Old Business:

- Continued discussion on whether we should install a "game" camera to help identify the person who has been shooting holes in our signs and committing other acts of graffiti. To be continued next month.
- Reminder of the approved handling of the gate lock as established earlier in the year: when you open the gate, the lock should be carried to the safety box. Open the safety box (same combination as the lock) and leave the lock hanging from the box. The last person at the field should close the safety box and carry the lock to the gate. Secure the gate.

New Business:

- Reviewed assignments and responsibilities for the upcoming R/C auction on September 13th. General set-up is on Friday, September 12th at 4PM. Report time for Saturday is 8:00 AM. Questions? See Don C.
- Due to Dean's inability to be available at the airfield, it was decided we need to name a replacement Safety Coordinator. Don Dodier was selected by unanimous decision. Don C to inform AMA.
- There is some concern about a ground hornet's nest on the secondary runway. It has been marked with an orange cone, but this needs to be addressed before the auction. Frank O to investigate on his next visit to the airfield.
- The North Hampton Library has confirmed our monthly use of the meeting room through May 2026.
- James reports the yearly cost for support of the RC Aces website is going up \$30.
- Ken expressed appreciation to two of our new members—Larry Beck and Tom Leahy—who have stepped up and contributed to the club in many ways. Many thanks from all our members!
- Don proposed we look at building up a stone "ramp" in front of the conex in lieu of the portable ramps being used now. There is too much of a possibility the mowers could slip off during exit and entry.
- Due to the low attendance level at our monthly meetings, the officers request your input—is there a better day / time to hold our meetings so more could attend? Please let us know your thoughts.

Comments / Questions from the Membership: None

Meeting closed at 6:57 PM

Fremont R/C Flyers—Fun Fly

August 30, 2025





RCACES

North Hampton, NH

Summer Auction

Saturday, Sept 13TH

Rain Date: Sunday, Sept 14TH



Public Welcome
Food, Soda and Water available
Please bring your own chairs

Setup and viewing @ 9:00 am
Auction Starts @ 11:00 am
Admission: \$2.00 per person

Bring a table to sell your small under \$20 items
(Please pay 10% of sales to the Club)
Auction sales commission 10% - \$20 max/per item
Please no side deals

50/50 Raffle

Come to buy - sell or just watch

**Time to dust off those RC items stored under the bed,
out in the garage or in the back closet and bring them to:**

HOME OF THE RC ACES

Hobbs-Martin Field

(formerly RC ACES Flying Field)

The field is accessed from behind Joe's Meat Shop at 229 Atlantic Ave (Rt. 111). Look for the access road entrance on right side of parking lot across from fuel storage tanks. Follow the unpaved access road that runs along the west side of the new Rail Trail north for about 400 yards.

Watch our website www.rcaces.org for announcement of "Rain Date" activation or auction cancellation/rescheduling



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RC ACES 2025 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

Or send via Venmo (@Donald-Chase-10)

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RC Aces membership period is from April 15, 2025 to April 14, 2026