



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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Set up your Throttle Cut Switch and Give it a Voice!

An electric model aircraft without a throttle cut switch is a ticking time bomb. An accidental brush against the throttle stick while a body part is in the path of the propeller can result in a pretty nasty cut, often requiring stitches.

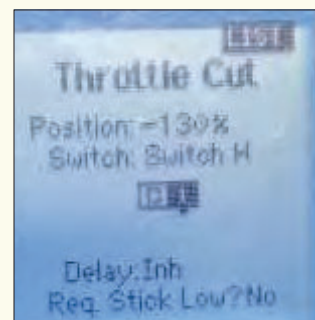
Rather than worrying about this possibility every time you hit the airfield, let's take a positive action to remedy the situation!

Following is an example of how you can set up your throttle cut switch (and voice announcement) with an old-style Spektrum DX-9 transmitter. Check the manual for your particular transmitter, but the process should be similar.

1. After turning on the transmitter, press the front roller to access the "Function List."



2. Scroll down to "Throttle Cut" and select by pressing on the roller. Looking at the right side of the screen:



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THE NEXT RC ACES MEETING IS ON

*** November 6, 2025 ***



Meeting Notes

October 2, 2025

Meeting called to order: 6:03 PM

Attendees: 13, including 3 on Zoom

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

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

Field Safety Coordinator's Report: Brief discussion of a recent "prop strike" and the response.

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. Issue has been dropped from further consideration because the required positioning and monitoring would be impractical.
- Second 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.
- Further discussion on the need for a better ramp for the conex. May include in the list of tasks for the Spring Field Opening Day (in addition to paint touch-up for the conex and pilot shelter).
- The club officers received no input from the membership on a possible better meeting time/day, so it will remain as the first Thursday of each month at 6:00 PM.

New Business:

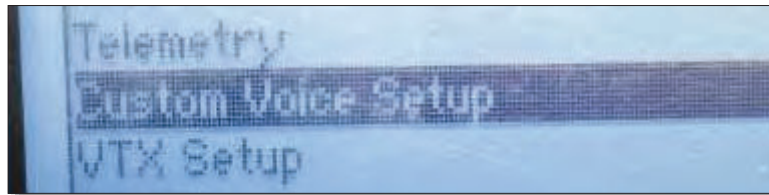
- Discussion on the use of the first aid kit, and steps taken during an emergency. We should have a standard list of items that should be stocked at all times. Tom provided a "Laceration Closure Bandage" to be placed in the first aid kit. Safety Coordinator Don D to review current items in the kit.
- Discussion on the need for electric flyers to use the throttle cut-off function on their receivers. This will be considered as an addition to the field rules next time we consider a By-law modification.
- Yearly "close-up" day at the field will be October 25th. Only a few tasks to complete.
- The Porta-Potty will be locked up for the season on October 27th.
- Bill Adinolfo will be taking care of the winter maintenance for the two mowers. Note: Bill also donated a gas leaf blower to the club to facilitate mower clean up.
- Conex storage shelving will be completed this month.
- Reviewed the results of our yearly RC auction: Look at starting at 10:30 AM next year; Vendor tables should pay a flat fee instead of a percentage of sales; Pre-auction sales to club members should be avoided (unless offered to all club members first); Larger speakers should be used next year; Food count was good, but could probably drop one case of soda. Thanks to club donations, good \$\$ after costs.

Comments / Questions from the Membership: None

Meeting closed at 6:59 PM

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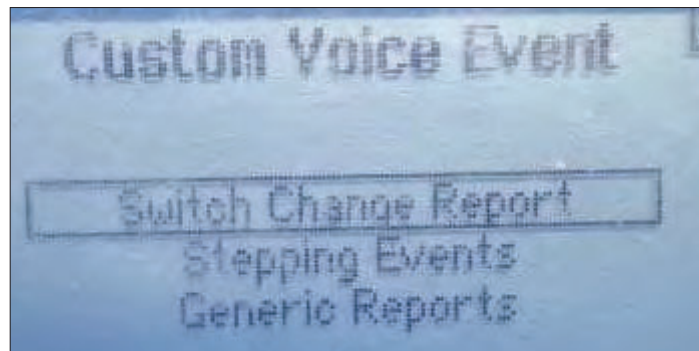
3. Go to “Switch” and scroll through until you select the switch you want to use. In my case, I use the 2-position H-Switch.
4. Now go back to the Function List and scroll down with the roller until you find “Custom Voice Setup.”



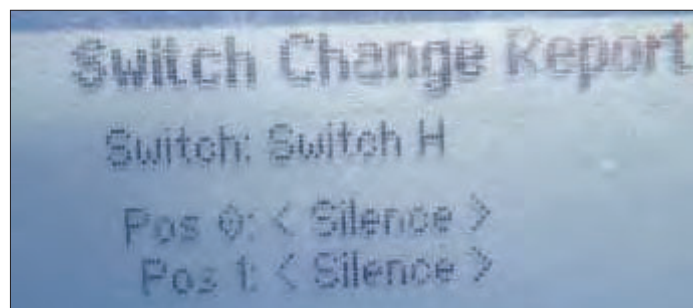
5. Scroll until you find “Add New Sound Event”



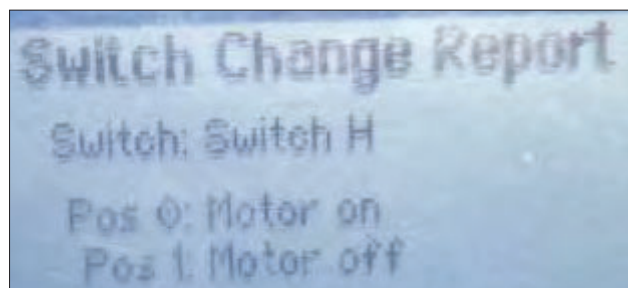
6. At the next screen (Custom Voice Event), go to “Switch Change Report”



7. On this next screen, scroll through the Switch options until you find and select “Switch H” which is our motor cut-off switch:



8. For each position on the switch (POS 0 and POS 1), scroll through the list of options and select “Motor on” and “Motor Off”:



You're all set! Next time you're at the field, make sure the throttle cut is activated BEFORE you hook up your lipo battery. When the aircraft is on the flightline, switch off the throttle cut and go fly!

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