



NEWS AT THE TOP

October 2014

President's Corner:

We find ourselves coming to the end of summer flying season but as we all know some of the best days for flying are coming, October is great in this part of the state cooler temperatures and less bugs flying around us and great color on the tress. For those of you and I include myself in that group who have found it difficult to get some flights in, let's try to take advantage of these great fall days.

As you know our Constitution requires us to open the floor for nominations for officers for the coming year. Once again I have been asked to act your president and I thank the nominating committee for their honor, Tony Curcuruto has been nominated for Secretary and Craig Miebach for Treasurer. However I Scott Geller has asked that he not be considered for club VP due to extensive personal commitments, so we have ask Mike Shauger to accept the nomination for VP.

Those of you that know Mike know of his commitment to the club and fine work that he has done in the past in arranging events and acting as CD. I hope that you will support Mike this coming year.

I am very sorry to see Scott leave the office of VP; he did an outstanding job in planning activities for the meeting and especially as CD for the numerous events that we have held. During his tenure the most successful event in the clubs history was held and he can proud of this and the many other accomplishments during that time. We owe Scott a great measure of gratitude for a job that was well done in the interests of Top of NJ. Well Done Scott.

On a personal note I would like to thank him for his counsel as Vice President and most of all for his for his friendship, he was always available to me and never said no to anything I asked him on behalf of the club. Thank you Scott you are a great friend and a great club member.

Hopefully you all have seen the notice in the AMA magazine about the efforts of the FAA to place restrictions on FPV flying and how it might affect our hobby and what we can do help support the efforts of the AMA. One of our members Frank Granelli is an Associate Vice President of AMA and I look forward to

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September 2014 meeting minutes:

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM. All of the club officers were present. The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved.

Committee reports:

Field: Both fields are in good flying shape. When you lock the gate at Squatrito, attached the chain to the existing chain. Many members are not doing that.

It's hunting season so be careful going into the area around Hardyston field. Notify the farmer and where the hunting vest before proceeding into the woods.

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No updated **Financial Report** was available. This previous report is repeated for you:

July - August, 2014

The June opening balance is \$15,288.98.

Collections for the 2 month period totaled \$547.00 and are represented by fifty/fifty: \$17.00 and June Warbirds: \$530.00.

Expenses for the 2 months totaled \$3,018.00 and are represented by Mowing: \$1,530, Picnics: \$217, PortaJons: \$337 and Warbird Expenses: \$934.

The Warbird event took in \$530.00, of which \$210 was from Pilots, \$80 from the gate and \$250 for Food. The unusually low gate also contributed to very low food sales. Total costs were \$954 resulting in a loss of \$414 for the event. The result is a reduction to the warbird reserve to \$1,439.00

The result is an ending cash balance for May of \$12,816.74 per below:

Reserved for Club Activities	\$ 4,400.00
General Reserve	\$ 2,946.00
Warbirds Reserve	\$ 1,439.00
Laser Reserve	\$ 2,494.00
Fuel Reserve	<u>\$ 1,538.00</u>
Total cash	\$12,817.00

Training Officers

Hardyston Field Monday late afternoons

Training Officer: Craig Miebach (973) 764-2862

Training Officer: Mike Shauger (973) 271-1170

Training Officer: Charles Lis (973) 827-2440

Squatrito Field Wednesday late afternoons

Training Officer: Scott Geller (973) 464-5995

Training Officer: Bill Reynolds (908) 876-5357

Training Officer: Len Davis (917) 656-0086



Key Return

Squatrito Field access keys can be returned to Craig Miebach at 5 Hickory Road, Highland Lakes, NJ 07422. Please send in a SASE so that we can mail you back your three dollars.

It is a good idea to place the key between two pieces of cardboard. I have used padded envelopes without a problem.

You can also return your key to any club officer.

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hearing his comments as to what has transpired on this issue.

Please note the new menu for the Christmas party published elsewhere in this newsletter, it is going to be a great party. It is scheduled for Thursday December 4 at 7PM with a snow date of Thursday 11. Please try to come, this dinner is part of your dues, how can you pass up a great meal that is offered for FREE. Of course as last year we will expect to have you purchase \$10.00 in raffle tickets at the door but Santa tells me the prizes will be worth it. See you next month at our October meeting.

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Membership:

Tony took a roll call. He also explained the membership rules to the prospective members.

Old business:

The two contest directors talked about our fun flight that was held in August.

The club Christmas party will be held at the school. Mike will meet with the new chef in a couple of weeks. He asked for suggestions for food.

Christmas raffle tickets went on sale. We discussed options for the raffle. RSVP by November 26.

New business:

Nominations for club officers for 2015 were being accepted at the September meeting. Tony nominated Pat Rizzuto for president, Mike Shauger for Vice President, Tony Curcuruto for secretary, and Craig Miebach for treasurer. No one else was nominated. Nominations were closed for the month.

The club will be having a fall picnic in October. The picnic will be on October 18 at Hardyston field with a rain date on October 19.

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Event Schedule for 2014

Monthly Meeting	Contest
January 16, 2014	Model-of-the-Month
February 20, 2014	ARF- of-the-Month
March 20, 2014	Project-of-the-Month
April 17, 2014	Model-of-the-Month
May 22, 2014	ARF- of-the-Month
June 19, 2014	Project-of-the-Month
July 17, 2014 Squatrito	Model-of-the-Month
August 21, 2014 at Hardyston	ARF- of-the-Month
September 18, 2014	Project-of-the-Month
October 16, 2014	Model-of-the-Month
November 20, 2014	ARF- of-the-Month
Club Events	Dates
Warbirds Fun Fly	June 14-15, 2014
Fun-Fly	TBD
Christmas Party and Raffle 7PM Sharp	December 4, 2014

***The next club meeting will be on
October 16 at Sussex County
Vo-Tech.***

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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

2014 Christmas Party and Raffle



Place: Sussex County Technical School

Date: Thursday, December 4th rain date December 11th

Time: 7:00PM Sharp

RSVP: by 11/20 to Mike Shauger, 187 Main Street, Franklin, NJ

07416. rcflyer57@embarqmail.com

(973) 827-9326

Each club member can bring a spouse for free. Each additional guest costs \$18.

Remember, you are required to purchase \$10 worth of raffle tickets at the door!

Name: _____

How many people will attend: _____

Proposed Menu for our Christmas Party:

Chicken Marsala
Eggplant Rolletini
Roast Beef Tips Mushrooms
Roasted Potatoes
Garden Salad
Vegetable asst
Roast Pork carving Station (mustard sauce)
Gravy
Stuffing with cranberry & sausage
Penne Vodka
Breads & Butter for table
Will drop off soda we will have a beverage cart with servers
coffee & tea station decaf & herbal

