



NEWS AT THE TOP

July 2021

From the Editor by Anthony Curcuruto

I hope all is well with all of you. Yes, the summer is half over and so is the flying season. But, there is still plenty of time to get out there and fly.

The next club meeting is at Reynolds Field. We will be serving pizza at 6PM while supplies last. Again, we will be having a tailgate swap meet. A lot of hobby items did not change hands. I am hoping that this meeting will be different.

Our membership drive has ended for 2021. We picked up nine applicants. The best membership drive in years. One of the applicants is Jasper Smith, whose father, grandfather and uncle are in the club. Jasper is pictured below. Please join me in welcoming them as you may see them at the meeting or at the fields.



President Comments by Pat Rizzuto

Our last meeting at our Hardyston field was a very enjoyable for those who attended, weather was great, wind was light and the burgers and dogs very good. Thank you, Mike! Our next meeting will be at Reynolds field and hopefully and I would encourage all members to try and attend. Unfortunately, I will not be able to do so as I will be away on vacation but I am sure that Mike, Tony and Craig will handle the meeting just fine.

Following the August meeting, we will be indoors at the Andover Senior Citizens center, I look forward to seeing you all there. As per our by-laws we will be taking nominations for club officers for the election in November. Also, if you have plans for a winter project why not share them with fellow club members and discuss any questions you may have. It's a great way to get started.

**Goodbye for
now and hope
to see many of
you at the next
meeting.**

July 2021 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at Hardyston field. Hamburgers and hot dogs were served prior to the meeting. All of the club officers were present. There were 14 members at the meeting including the four club officers.

The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved without correction.

Treasurers Report. Craig read last month's report as well as this months with one correction to the report. The opening balance was \$12,851.13 not \$2,851.13 as reported in the report. The closing balance was \$11,792.

Field Report. Both fields are in great shape thanks to Mike Shauger who mows both fields. Special thanks to Joe Florio, who maintains the road and paths around Reynolds field. He just spent quite a few hours cutting the weeds and tall grass on the side of the road leading to the field and paths. Insecticide was put down in the pit area at Reynolds Field as was Hardyston last month.

Safety. The farmer adjacent to Hardyston has been doing a lot of work in his fields. Do not fly over him when he is out there.

Old Business. Pat talked about attendance at the meeting. It has been light. He asked what can be done to improve the situation.

New Business. Anthony Curcuruto talked about TRUST – the new FAA safety test. He encouraged members to take the test. It is not difficult. He also mentioned that the only proof you took the test was the completion certificate. Also, Anthony nor the club needs to take note that you took the test. WOD was on in July. They received the first ever waiver to have the event. CDC Covid guidelines were followed. Next months meeting will be at Reynolds Field. Pizza will be served at 6pm while supplies last.

At the end of the meeting, members were asked to talk about the items they brought in for sale. Some will be posted in this newsletter.

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Event Schedule for 2021

| Monthly Meeting | |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| January 21, 2021 | Canceled |
| February 18, 2021 | Canceled |
| March 18, 2021 | Canceled |
| April 15, 2021 | Canceled |
| May 20, 2021 | Meetings Resume |
| June 17, 2021 | |
| July 15, 2021 Hardyston | Tail Gate Swap Meet |
| August 19, 2021 Reynolds | Tail Gate Swap Meet |
| September 16, 2021 | |
| October 21, 2021 | |
| November 18, 2021 | |
| December 2, 2021 | |
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***The next meeting will be at Reynolds
Field at 7:00pm.
Pizza will be served at 6:00pm while
supplies last.***

Treasurer's Report July 2021

May's opening balance was \$12,851.13. Collections for the month totaled \$95 represented by Dues \$70 and an Applications \$25. Expenses for the month totaled \$1,153.47 represented by Mowing \$680, Porta Jons \$449.49 and Donuts for our first meeting \$23.98. The result is an ending balance of \$11,792.66.

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| Allocated to Operations: | \$4,651 |
| General Reserve: | 2,141 |
| Event Reserve: | 2,000 |
| Reynolds Field Reserve: | <u>3,000</u> |
| Total | \$11,792 |



In Memory - John Schillaci

I am sorry to say that we lost a valued club member last week—John Schillaci. John was a member of our club for many years.

John was a WW II veteran serving in the United States Army being involved with the liberation of Germany. John was employed at Merck and Company in Rahway, NJ for many years retiring in 1989. He was a member of Sgt. Francis M. Glynn American Legion Post #132 Franklin, NJ and the Italian-American Club of West Milford, and the Golden Age club of Milton and the Knights of Columbus Council #12649 Stockholm, NJ.

All services will be private under the direction of F. John Ramsey Funeral Home, Franklin, NJ. In lieu of flowers, donations to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital P. O .Box 1000, Dept. 142, Memphis, TN 38202-9908. To leave condolences see www.fjohnramseyfuneralhome.com.