



NEWS AT THE TOP

JUNE 2024

From the Editor by Anthony Curcuruto

The next club meeting is coming up soon on July 18th at 7pm. As in the past, we will be serving pizza and a soft drink prior to the meeting at 6pm. If you are going to join us for pizza, try to get there at about 5:30 so I can get a good count for the pizza order. Actually, come early and get a few flights in.

Additionally, if you have any RC items to sell, bring them to the meeting. I have a couple of items that I will be selling.

Scott Geller recently took his flying skills to a new level. He is now a full-scale aviator. He recently took a photo from the air of Reynolds Field pictured below. Thanks Scott.

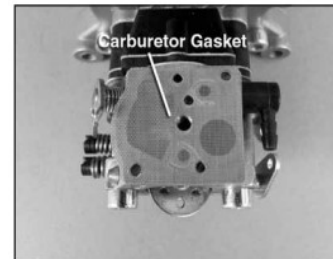


See you at the next meeting.

Gas Engine Maintenance

From time to time, you should clean your gas engine carburetor filter. Below is an illustration taken from a DLE 20 manual on just how to do that.

Please clean the fuel filter in the DLE Carburetor periodically. Failure to do so may result in miss-calibration of the needle adjustments. In order to do this it is necessary to remove the Phillips head screw which secures the carburetor filter cover and the carburetor filter gasket. Use only carburetor cleaner to clean the opening around the filter.



June 2024 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at Hardyston Field at 7pm. There were 13 members present including the club officers. The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved with one minor corrections.

Treasurers Report

The April beginning balance is \$15,043.81. After debits and credits, the resulting balance was \$12,922.47

Field Reports:

Reynolds Field is in good shape and so is Hardyston. Looking for members to mow at Hardyston. Frank has some extra keys. Frank can be reached at (973) 827- 4579

Safety Report – – at Reynolds please stay behind the flight line as denoted by the area Jon cut. Set up your planes on a bench or at the bench line

Membership Report

Membership Drive is over. We will take in new members on a case-by-case basis.

Last month we signed up an old member and an applicant – Dave Robertson and Rich Murphy

Membership Breakdown

Full Member	67
Applicants	2
Junior Member	2
Life Member	11
Club Officers	3
Misc	1
Total	86

Old Business

- Our Site Domain Name fee was paid to GoDaddy
- WRAM Fun Fly Jamboree June 29th – Prizes - Patterson NY
- LVRCS Electric Fun Fly in Easton PA on June 1st
- There was some discussion using some of the reserves to repair the road along with clearing a path to the top of the ridge to retrieve planes that may have crashed there. A small group of members will try to clear a path in June.

New Business

- Next meeting is at Reynolds Field. We will have Pizza prior to the meeting at 6pm
- We will be working on the road at Reynolds. Also, we will be making some paths to the top of the ridge
- Mentioned in the meeting notice, going forward, if a meeting is to be canceled, a note will go out before 5pm on the day of the meeting or sooner
- Frank Fanelli is going to run a STEM program in the fall with the local High School in an effort to bring more members into the club. Save your old magazines for Frank. More information on the STEM program can be found on the AMA website.
- Bring in a new project or plane

The meeting adjourned at 7:30.

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Meeting Schedule for 2024

January 18th	Andover Borough Senior Center
February	No Meeting
March	No Meeting
April 18th	Andover Borough Senior Center
May 16th	Reynolds
June 20th	Hardyston
July 18th	Reynolds
August 15th	Hardyston
September 19th	Andover Borough Senior Center
October 17th	Andover Borough Senior Center
November 21st	Andover Borough Senior Center
December	No Meeting

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Treasurer's Report June 2024

The May beginning balance was \$15,043.81. Collections for the month totaled \$165 represented by \$140 dues and \$25 applications fees. Expenses for the month totaled \$636.34 represented by mowing Hardyston Field \$300, mowing Reynolds Field \$225, Internet Domain Fee \$46.34, maintenance Hardyston \$45.81, and maintenance Reynolds \$19.19.

Additionally, there was an outstanding 2023 mowing expense of \$1650 was paid out of the General Reserve.

The result is an ending balance of \$12,922.47

Reserves are as follows:

Encumbered for 2024 Operations	\$4,076
General Reserve	3,847
Reynolds Field Reserve	3,000
Event Reserve	<u>2,000</u>
Total	\$12,922

The 2023 mowing bill reduced the General Reserve from \$5,496.81 to \$3,846.81.

ZEEE Batteries



[Zeee RC Lipo Battery official store](http://zeebattery.com)
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I have had a lot of luck with Zeee batteries. They are better than any I bought so far. Check them out by clicking the line in the illustration above.