

The Signal

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Of Special Interest:

- Glider Test Day
- Next Club Meeting on Wednesday, July 27th at the field. Weather permitting. Special Time: 7:30pm. See page 3 for more details.



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The meeting was held on June 29th and called to order at 8:10pm due to inclement weather. We adjourned at 9:40pm.

Attendance: Len Ferenchak, Tony Rossi, Jim Vigani, Joe Melick, Len Cacciatore, Jim Beard, Paul Brill, Mahmoud Eladly, Marc Julius, Dave Shields, Ray Jajko, Lyn Alford, Joe Lachowski, Tommy Jederlinik and Ed DeGritis.

The club voted in new members Ed DeGritis, Marc Vigod(a) and Paul Gentile(a).

And we welcome our guests Stu Goodman and Jim McGlashan.



Marc discussed the proposed changes to the by-laws as drafted by the by-law sub committee. He handed out copies of the new by-laws to everyone present and the rest will be mailed so all members can review them and make comments. We encourage you to read them and provide feedback.

Dave Shields brought up the topic of indoor flying and wanted a count of who would participate. Dave also needed to set up what size of electric models would be ok to fly. This will depend on the location. From what we heard, these places are sometimes only available at strange hours (like midnight) depending on how busy they are. If interested, please contact Dave Shields.



Treasurer's Report

Expenses

Tony R. - Opening Day Picnic	\$ 74.02
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Income

May 50-50	\$ 17.00
Dues	\$210.00
AMA Insurance Reimbursement	\$ 40.00
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	\$267.00

Balance As of 6/29/2005 \$1,323.71

"Glider Test Day - June 12th"

It was a good turnout if you count the people. Only two gliders showed up and were tested. Jim Vigani and Rich Negran brought their gliders down and put them through their paces.

Both flew very well and inspired the rest of us to finish our gliders and get them down to the field before the big Glider Contest on July 30th.

I bet a lot of ARFs got bought that night!



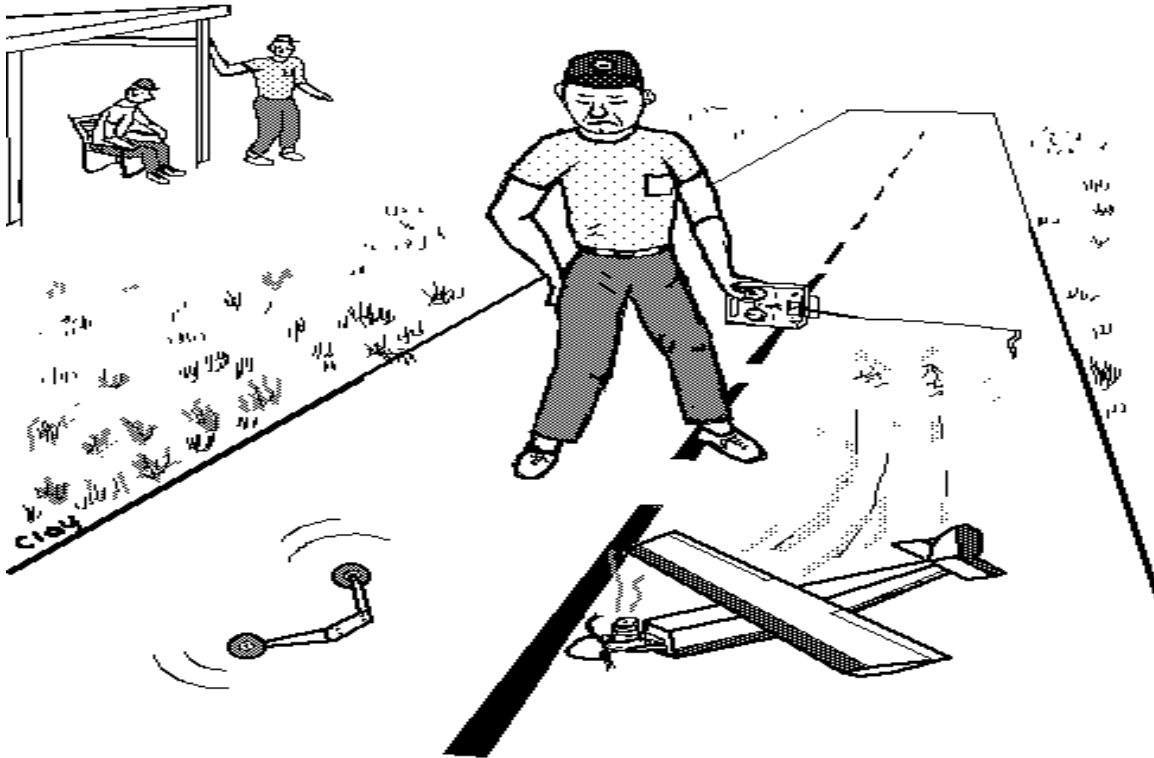


If you have any items that you would like listed in the For Sale section of the newsletter, forward them to the newsletter editor. Items will be listed for a three (3) month period. After three months they will be deleted from the newsletter. If you would like your ad to run longer you must make your request again.

For Sale: 17" Computer Monitor - \$50; 21" Computer Monitor - \$100 - If interested, contact Len Cacciatore.

Entire contents of hobby equipment - will not sell in pieces. Too much to list here, but this is all high end, premier R/C equipment. Many planes of show quality. Contact Norm Staub at (973) 335-2290 or (973) 919-1986.

"...Naw, that's just Rock's version of
retractable landing gear!..."



Sound like anyone we know?



July Meeting At Flying Field...

Our July club meeting which will be held on July 27th will be down at the flying field instead of in the library, due to there being no rooms available! We have moved the meeting up to 7:30pm to make sure there's enough light or we'll end up sitting in the parking lot!

We encourage everyone to come out early and get some flying in before the business portion of the meeting.

Should the weather not permit us to meet at the field, we will meet at Tony Rossi's house in Somerset at the usual time of 8pm.

Tony's address and phone number are:

23 Hughes Road
Somerset, NJ 08873
(732) 545-3811

Contact Tony if you require directions.

Directions to the flying field are as follows:

Take Route 22 west from Somerville. Make a jug handle turn south onto Route 679 (Milltown Road), and go 0.88 miles to a railroad trestle. Turn right under the trestle, and proceed about 0.2 miles to the park. The flying field parking area is the 2nd park entrance.

OR

From the Somerville Circle take route 202 toward Flemington 2.17 miles and turn right onto Milltown Road and then go 0.6 miles to the park.

Miscellaneous Club Business

There was some discussion of the club looking into a private field of their own as a result of the recent land made available in Edison.

While everyone agreed that would be fantastic, we realize that this is a long shot. Joe Melick volunteered to talk to the County Freeholder (what is a Freeholder anyway?) to see if anything was available. Joe will update us at the July meeting.

Jim Vigani brought in a sample of the polo shirts that we could order with our club logo. The club voted to pay the one time \$150 set up fee for the shirts. Our guest Jim McGlashan recommended we set up our own web store on www.Cafepress.com for our shirts. Jim Vigani will

report back on progress at the July meeting.

Embroidered Products:

Set-up Fee: \$150.00

Each Logo: \$7.85 (2 1/2")

Golf Shirt: \$11.00 to \$18.00
w/o logo

Len Cacciatore will post the club application on the website once it has been updated.

Volunteers Needed

We need volunteers for the Glider Contest and Electric Fun Fly. People to help direct traffic in the parking lot, work the impound, serve food, etc. Please contact Tony Rossi for details.

Model of the Month

We had two entries for **Model of the Month**. Lyn Alford had his well done electric Hots and Jim Vigani brought in his beautifully finished Gentle Lady glider.

Lyn won Model of the Month and took home a Tower Hobbies \$15 gift certificate.

Thanks to both of you for participating and congratulations to Lyn!

June 50-50!

\$42 was taken in. \$14 went to Lyn Alford for 1st Place which he donated back to the club.

\$7 went to Len Cacciatore for 2nd Place which he also donated back.

The club thanks both of you for your generosity.



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Help Support Your Local Hobby Stores

With the ease of ordering on the web, we sometimes forget to frequent our local hobby shops. It's important to give our patronage to these small, local establishments or we could find ourselves without them. The web is the equivalent of the huge Home Depot opening up near your local hardware store.

Two wonderful local stores are The Hobby Hut in Pompton Plains run by Linda Ciesla. She's very knowledgeable and has a wide variety of items in stock. And she can order whatever she doesn't have. 567 Route 23, Pompton Plains. (973) 835-2077.

The other is F&M Hobbies run by Fred Moglia in Denville, NJ at 3118 Route 10 West. (973) 361-0042. Fred has a fantastic store and can order most anything you need within a few days if it's not in the store.

Club Information

- The Somerset Signal Senders will meet the last Wednesday of July at 7:30pm at the Flying Field in Bridgewater (Weather Permitting).
- Our club website is <http://www.somersetsignalsenders.org>
- Questions concerning our website can be directed to: webmaster@somersetsignalsenders.org
- Flight Instructor: Tony Rossi
- Field Safety Officer: Len Cacciatore
- Newsletter Editor: Marc Julius (newsletter@somersetsignalsenders.org)
- Questions can be directed to: President@somersetsignalsenders.org

Upcoming Club Events

June 27, 2005

Meeting at the Flying Field – weather permitting we will meet at the field at 7:30pm. In the case of inclement weather, meeting will be held at Tony Rossi's house.

July 30, 2005

Club Glider Contest... Members of Central Jersey, the 4-H and the Air Explorers will compete with us. (*Sanctioned Event*)

August 20, 2005

Our 2nd Annual Electric Fun Fly. (*Sanctioned Event*)

September 18, 2005

Closing Day BBQ... bid a fond adieu to the lazy days of summer.