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### president's Prop-Wash

Hot news!!! The runway resurfacing motion has been approved via an almost unanimous club vote. What does this mean? Well first, Marshal has already talked to the land owner and the quote I got back from that conversation was "He has no objection to the runway overlay. He said he has no plans to do anything with the property. He says he is happy if we are happy. I (Marshall) told him we were very happy and appreciative of having him as our landlord." Next, the RDRC officers will be sending out letters/ emails discussing the assessment payment plans to all current 2012 RDRC members. Only full-time members (no student, family, associate) will be required to pay the assessment. The assessment can either be one lump

sum (preferred so we don't have to drag this out longer than needed) at \$100 or 2 payments of \$55 over the next two years (Oct 2012 & Jan 2014 Dues). Whichever method you choose, the payment will be required to be paid around the early October time frame so that we have the money ready for the work to be done later that month. Failure to pay this assessment can forfeit your flying rights to the RDRC airfield along with preventing you from rejoining in 2013 (unless full payment is received: Membership Due \$125 + Assessment \$100). Again, it would be great if all members could step up and just pay the \$100 straight up so we will not have to worry about keeping track of any loans and the interest associated with them. I will make sure Dustin brings his credit card reader to the next few meetings so those wanting to pay via credit card can do so (NOTE: Credit card transactions require a 3.75% service charge so if you are paying the \$100 via a credit card, the payment will be \$103.75). Otherwise checks can be mailed to Dustin and/or given to club officers..

(Editors note: In order for the club to receive \$100 from a transaction that charges a 3.75% fee, each club member using this type of transaction would pay \$103.90. Remember that 103.9 - (103.9 \* .0375) = 100.)

RDRC Field Rules: There has been an increase of violations recently at the field. I just want to remind people again; the rules are there for a reason... SAFETY. The biggest offense is the flight line. This is the line that runs infinitely from the north end of the field all the way to the south end of the field. There should never be any flying over the pit area, the shed, parking lot, or any houses at any time. All club members should be setting an example by following the rules.

RD-RC.com website... Hopefully by August 13<sup>th</sup>, CenturyLink will have restored the internet connection to the field. The weather station should be up and functioning the day after the install, with web cams soon to follow. The goal is to have the web cams working before Fly for Tots.

#### Visit the new club website at http://www.rd-rc.com

Speaking of Fly for Tots, I know Larry is looking for people to sign up for a variety of different duties during the event. Trash, parking coordinators, cooks, servers, etc... any help you, spouse, children, etc. that you can offer would be much appreciated. Please contact him at <u>rclarry@aol.com</u> and let him know you're interested in helping out.

**Meeting:** Aug 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Pullman house location. Nothing scheduled for this meeting. I am sure a lot of the meeting will be Fly for Tots event planning and staffing.

7:30-8:00 : Show and tell... (This will allow time for people to funnel in)

8:00-??? : club business

REMEMBER: NO PARKING ON THE GRASS AT THE PULLMAN HOUSE

Club Myth Buster: RDRC field rules are too strict...

Well not really... a majority of the rules RDRC has in place come from the rules we should be abiding by set forth by the AMA. (see http://www.modelaircraft.org/files/105.pdf) Please take the time and review RDRC rules versus what is already set forth via the AMA. (http://rd-rc.com/images/Files/rdrc%20filed%20and%20flight%20rules.pdf)

According to the RDRC bylaws, repeated infractions to the rules could lead to expulsion from the club and/or the AMA.

If you have any questions about any of the club rules, please talk with one of the club officers. As a club member you are responsible to report and/or address any safety issues. Just remember, if you do talk with the person violating a rule, please make sure to do it in a professional manner, use proper names (no nicknames), and if they are flying wait until they have landed so they can focus their attention on the issue rather than flying the aircraft and the issue simultaneously.

Closing: Fly for Tots is just around corner... All of the club's help is requested. This is RDRC's big moment not only in the AMA's eyes, but to other clubs, general public, and of course what we do it for... Victory Junction. Please fly safe and be courteous to other club members.



Mark L ofgren

## Safety Officers Report

#### SAFETY FIRST....

A placard noting RDRC's address and GPS coordinates is now attached to the shed. This important information is needed for emergency medical services. Because the club is located far off Bethlehem Church Road, sending someone, if possible, to the road to intercept an emergency vehicle can assure an accurate response. Hopefully, this information will never be needed. Being careful in the pits and the flight line can eliminate the need for a 911 call.



Be safe...be respectful...be courteous.

A rule is a rule. No superior rule. Its like God's Commandments. You break one, you've broken all. — <u>Joshua Nyambuti</u>



Please remember that the next Monthly Meeting will be held at The Pullen House on Wednesday, August 22, 2012 starting at 7:30 PM.

8/23/2012 - 8/26/2012 -- East Bend, NC (C) 1TH ANNUAL RANDY COVINGTON ALL ELECTRIC FLIGHT FES. Site: Club Field. Mark Covington CD PH: 336-983-9126 Email: <u>covingtonrandy@gmail.com</u>. Visit:<u>www.riversiderc.com</u>. Airfield will be open all week, night flying. \$20 all week, \$10 per day landing fee. Concessions only Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Call Tony Simmons for steaks Fri night by 08/17/12 PH:336-985-3696. Sponsor: RIVER-SI DE AERO MODELERS SOCIETY

8/25/2012 -- Hubert, NC (C) NEW RIVER MODELERS FLY IN. Site: Club Field. Carl Zavalney CD PH: 252-497-1680 Email: <u>carlzavalney@yahoo.com</u>. Large field and runway, bring your big birds. Landing fee \$10. For additional info contact Henry Acosta at hacosta@earthlink.net . Sponsor: NEW RIVER MODELERS ASSOCIATION

8/31/2012 - 9/3/2012 -- Etowah, NC (C) BLUE RIDGE MOUNTAIN 3D FEST. Site: Club Field. Nolan Northcutt CD PH: 828-215-3155 Email: <u>nwnorthcutt@aol.com</u>. Sponsor: ETOWAH R/C FLY-ING CLUB

9/8/2012 -- Beulaville, NC (C) EDRC 3RD ANNUAL FALL FLY IN. Site: Cpl Norman Williams Field. Kelly Sanderson CD PH: 910-340-2072 Email: <u>kd.sanderson@live.com</u>. Come join us for our 3rd annual fall fly in. Landing fee \$10. Pilot meeting at 9AM, fly all day. 50/50 raffle and concession on site. RVs welcome, no hook ups. Sponsor: EAST DUPLIN R/C FLYERS

9/8/2012 -- Randleman, NC (C) CCRC TAILGATE SWAP SHOP AND FLY IN. Site: Club Field. Jesse Brinson CD PH: 336-886-5187 Email: <u>flagman515@northstate.net</u>. Visit: <u>www.ccrcm.com</u>. Enjoy a full day of open flying with a tail gate swap shop and night fly. \$10 fee for swap shop/ landing fee. \$5 after 6PM. Night fly is electric only. Register at 9AM. Concessions on site. Free pinto bean supper. Sponsor: CENTRAL CAROLINA MODELERS

9/8/2012 -- Roanoke Rapids, NC (C) ROTORHEAD RALLY. Site: Club Field. Frank Mintz CD PH: 434-577-9133 Email: <u>frank.mintz@gmail.com</u>. Visit: <u>www.coastalplanes.com/events</u>. Calling all rotorheads! Join the 95th Squadron in a day of helil flying fun. All helicopters welcome. \$10 landing fee includes lunch and door prizes. Raffle tickets available for great prizes. Sponsor: 95TH SQUADRON

9/8/2012 -- Rocky Mount, NC (C) FALL AMA FLY IN. Site: Town Creek Field. A Gentry CD PH: 252-977-1525 Email: <u>wn4z462@centurylink.net</u>. Visit: <u>www.tarheelrcflyers.org</u>. Landing fee \$10, camping, no hook ups, vendors welcomed. Any size model, AMA rules apply. Call 252-343-3961 for information. Sponsor: TARHEEL R/C FLYERS

9/8/2012 -- Statesville, NC (C) SMF ELECTRIC FLY FOR CHARITY. Site: Club Field. Mark Smith CD PH: 704-798-2776 Email: <u>marksmithsmitty@yahoo.com</u>. Visit: <u>www.statesvillemodelflyers.org</u>. Sponsor: STATESVILLE FLIERS RC CLUB INC



9/14/2012 - 9/16/2012 -- Youngsville, NC (C) RDRC FLY FOR TOTS. Site: Club Field. Lawrence Lewis CD PH: 919-215-3946 Email: <u>rclarry@aol.com</u>. Visit: <u>www.rd-rc.com</u>. Any type of plane welcome. 100 percent of proceeds to benefit the "Victory Junction Camp" for kids. Awesome raffles. Food on site. Vendor row. Primitive camping. Grass and paved runways Fun event for all, \$20 pilot fees. Free to spectators. Sponsor: RA-LEIGH DURHAM RADIO CONTROL

9/22/2012 -- Browns Summit, NC (C) GRAMS FUN FLY AND SWAP MEET. Site: Club Field. Steve Vergamini CD PH: 336-834-0126 Email: <u>svergamini@triad.rr.com</u>. Visit: <u>www.greensbororadioaeromodelers.com</u>. Fun fly and concurrent outdoor tailgate swap meet. All types of planes welcome. Landing fee \$5, swap meet fee \$5. Food and concessions available at the field. See website for further details. Gates open at 9AM, flying starts at 10AM. Sponsor: GREENSBORO RC AEROMODELERS

9/22/2012 -- Franklin, NC (C) ANNUAL CHARITY FLY IN. Site: 515 Tessentee Rd. Robert Wilson CD PH: 828-524-1281 Email: <u>3dbob37n@frontier.com</u>. Visit: <u>www.maconaeromodelers.com</u>. Annual charity event, all profits to local charity. Flying site: OTX: 1/2 mile off Hwy 441, 8 miles south of Franklin, NC. 500' turf grass runway, gas, electric, glow welcome. Primitive camping on site. \$10 landing fee. Sponsor: MACON AERO MODELERS INC

9/22/2012 -- Mt Pleasant, NC (C) SMITH LAKE FLYERS FLOAT IN. Site: Bernie Smith Aerodrome. Allan Ostrander CD PH: 704-788-2817 Email: <u>onewhitefeather@aol.com</u>. Visit: <u>www.smithlakeflyers.org</u>. All size float planes. Flying begins at 9AM until 4PM. Easy launch and retrieval boat on site. \$10 landing fee. Lunch at noon. NC Hwy 49N from Concord NC. Right on Cold Springs Rd (just past Cabarrus Arena). Rt on Mt Pleasant Rd, left on Barrier Store Rd, right on Smith Lake Rd, look for signs. Sponsor: SMITH LAKE FLYERS

9/22/2012 -- Vanceboro, NC (C) SOUTHERN AI R RC FALL FUN FLY. Site: 1451 Old Beick Rd. Michael Zaytoun CD PH: 252-229-9161

Email: <u>michael@zaytouncustomcabinets.com</u>. Visit: <u>www.southernairrc.com</u>. All size airplanes welcome. 100x600' beautiful grass runway, landing fee \$10, registration 8AM, pilots meeting 9AM. Electric power on site, good food, plenty of great prizes. We would love to have you join us for a great time and great fellowship. Sponsor: SOUTH-ERN ALR R/C CLUB

#### **Aviation Humor**

#### From Steve Werderitsch, Valley City R/C Club, Inc., Ohio Another Blonde Joke

This is the story poor blonde flying in a two-seater airplane when the pilot has a heart attack and dies. The blonde frantically makes a May Day distress call.

"May Day! Help! My pilot had a heart attack and is dead," she says. "I don't know how to fly a plane. Please help!"

She then hears a voice on the radio saying, "This is the tower. I will walk you through it. I've done this several times. Now, just relax. Everything will be fine. Now give me your height and position."

The blonde replies, "I'm five foot four and I'm in the front seat."

## **Monthly Meetings**

In case you miss them, this is what the RD-RC monthly meetings look like at the Pullen House.





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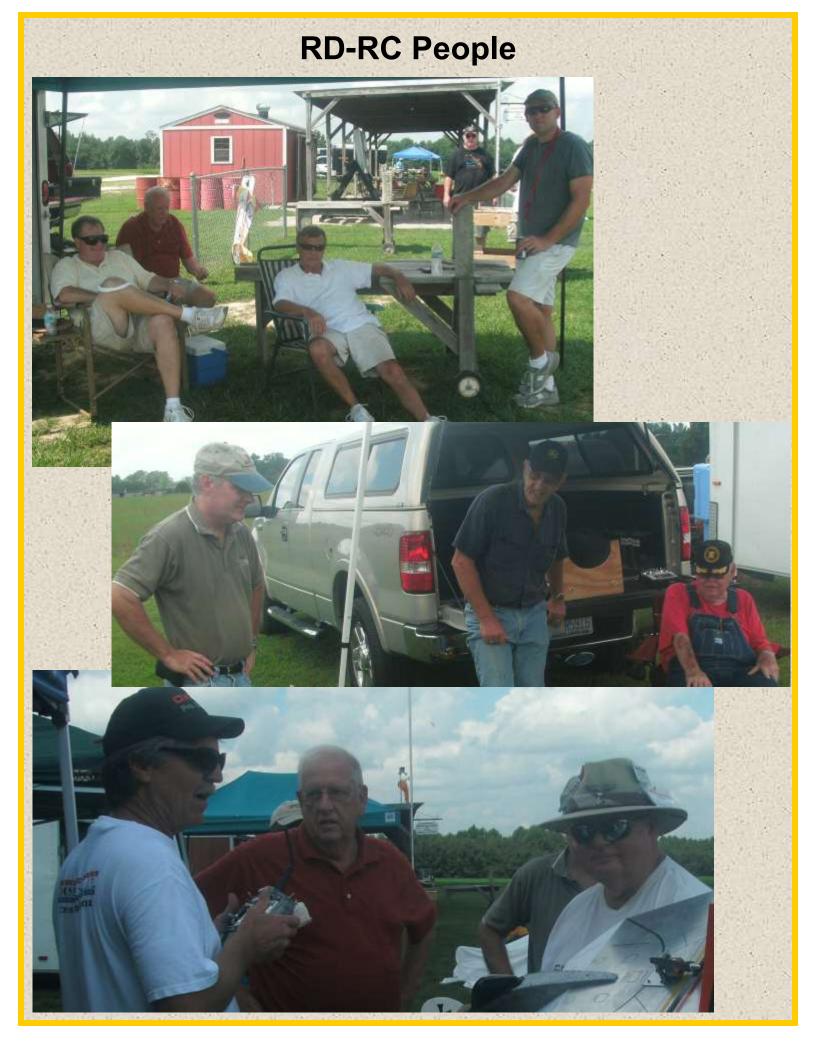


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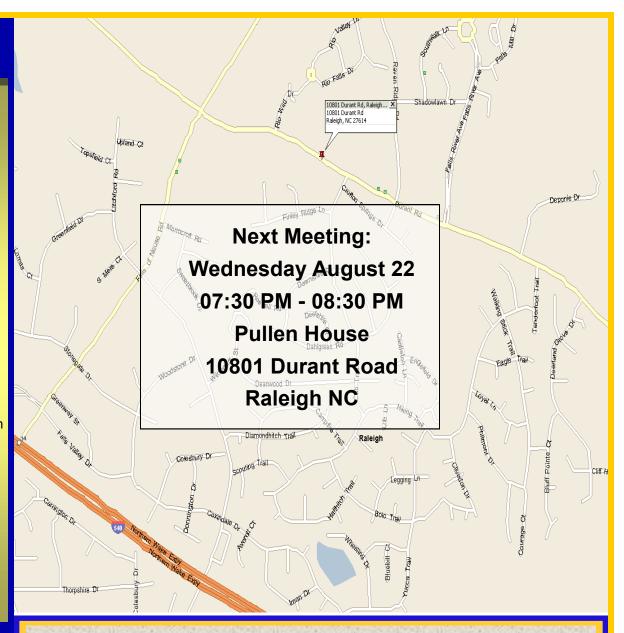
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#### Submittals:

All club members are urged to submit material to be published in the newsletter. The material should be received by the second Saturday of each month. Text is easily submitted in the form of regular mail or emails sent to my address above, photos can be attachments in any format that your camera produces (or scanned photos).



Thoughts from the slipstream...

If you know anyone that is not receiving this newsletter, but should **be, then please forward that person's email address to me. That way, I** can get newsletters out to that person.

If you have not see Model Aviation's digital Tablet app, then you need to see this: http://www.modelaviation.com/digital

The technology that applies to this hobby is incredibly interesting. Everything from batteries to three-axis gyros are advanced, reliable, and configurable. I use the technology where I can in order to give me **more peace of mind in my aircraft. I think that it's great to see that** our publications, like Model Aviation, are getting technologically advanced as well.

Hope to see everyone at the field over this next month. The days are getting shorter on **us as each day goes by. Let's make the most** of this summer by flying.

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