# Raleigh Durham Radio Control

AMA Charter 733 / IMAA Charter 724

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# ROP CONTROL

## Raleigh-Durham Radio Control

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### **Official Newsletter**

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# President's Prop-Wash

**Good Sportsmanship:** As you may know we had an issue on March 10<sup>th</sup> at the airfield which has caused a lot of concern. I am personally looking into the issue and have already talked with some of people who were there that day. The short statment is: We as a CLUB need to do a better job of respecting one another and treating others as you would like to be treated. If you have an opinion or comment, please direct

them my way.

**RDRC Vote:** The guest policy definition has been tabled pending a wording re-write. I know a few members stepped up and offered their opinion on that matter. Hopefully at the meeting we can work towards the final wording and home (bylaws or field rules) for the policy.

**RDRC Runway:** Nu-Tech, after a couple of weeks of trying to reach them, they finally responded back. They commented that "we (Nu-tech) do honor our one year guarantee on materials and workmanship" and they would be glad to set up a meeting to discuss. I will be doing so in the coming days and we will get the runway right.

**Future of RDRC:** At the March meeting, I would like to form a committee to take a look at RDRC of the present and brainstorm its future. The primary focus will be membership, budget, and field improvements. If you'd like to be a voice in this committee, please email me at <a href="mikeh@ipass.net">mikeh@ipass.net</a>. I would like to see diverse membership participation on this planning committee to make sure all avenues/angles are looked at. Only 2 members have stepped up... please we need more people and input !!!

**New "Check-in" / Frequency Board:** Operation is status quo... For now upon starting the flying day place your RDRC membership card when you arrive at the field and grab it when you are done flying. The only change since the last mention is if you fly 72 Mhz, take the pin and affix it to your radio instead of next to your card on the check-in board. We will continue to review the process and hope to have a finalized version posted soon.

IPI Certifications: We tried on March 10<sup>th</sup> to get a few more pilots into the IPI program. Unfortunately my trainer and the club trainer had some issues so we will try again on March 24<sup>th</sup> from 12-3 PM weather permitting.

### IPI Testing this Sunday 3/24 (Weather Permitting)

The club is looking for some additional "named" IPI pilots.

IPI pilots are people recognized by the AMA to offer instruction to non-AMA members. No club member should be doing instruction with any individual that is not holding an AMA membership. This is for insurance purposes and not a RDRC only club rule.

For the back ground on this program see: <a href="http://www.modelaircraft.org/files/917.pdf">http://www.modelaircraft.org/files/917.pdf</a>

If interested, please be at the field on the above dates, weather permitting, and take the flying practical with Mark Lofgren and Michael Hollowell between Noon and 3 PM. Testing can be done outside this time if you schedule it with Mark and Michael.

Since an IPI carries responsibilities linked to the club, not all individuals will be cut out to hold this role. It takes more (as described in the AMA document) than flying abilities to be an IPI. An IPI should also know to instruct, abide by the clubs rules, and be able to instill the club rules and procedures onto the student.

If you plan on pursuing this, please contact Michael (<u>mikeh@ipass.net</u>) so we have an idea who will be showing up.

Meeting: March 27th at the Pullman house location. No Special Guest Speaker.

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

8:00-9:00 : Club business

Some of the pending club Business to be discussed:

- Good Sportsmanship and conduct : RDRC Bylaws VI 3
- Guest Policy

REMEMBER: NO PARKING ON THE GRASS AT THE PULLMAN HOUSE



# Secretary / Treasuer's Report

Pat Taggart

### **Treasury Briefing**

For details on the formal treasurer's report submitted at the February meeting, please see the meeting minutes on the website.

Hope to see you at the March meeting.



### Mark L ofgren

# **Safety Officer's Report**

### **SAFETY FIRST...**

It has been stated numerous times in many places that safety is a primary concern for anyone engaged in radio control activities. Every AMA and club member is obligated to safety rules for obvious reasons plus adherence to insurance requirements. Infractions can and should be directly addressed by any member to an offending member as long as it's done in a respectful manner with full confidence that an actual rule has been really breached and not one's personal bias. Correcting an infraction does not necessarily have to be "filtered" through the Safety Officer who may or may not be witness to an alleged infraction. Wait for the offending pilot to land before discussing the infraction. An imminently dangerous situation can be addressed while the aircraft is still airborne by quietly talking to the pilot. Perhaps there's a problem that needs intervention rather than criticism. In both cases tone of voice, word choice, and body language must be respectful avoiding what could be taken as an insult, or worse, a verbal assault. The Safety Officer (or any other officer) can be informed after the fact, especially if a member wants to pursue further action as set forth in RDRC's Bylaws. Knowledge of the rules, respect for others, and airworthy equipment must underscore membership in RDRC. Certainly these standards are not unacceptably high.

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



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### **AMA 2013 Report of Events**

### March

NC

3/30/2013 -- Wade, NC (C-Restricted) PIEDMONT AEROMODELERS IMAA FUN FLY. Site: 2900 Hay-field Rd. Kent Porter CD PH: 919.639.3481 Email: <a href="mailto:kent@porterscales.com">kent@porterscales.com</a>. Visit: <a href="https://www.piedmontaermodelers.com">www.piedmontaermodelers.com</a>. For event info please see website. Sponsor: PIEDMONT AEROMODELERS

### **April**

NC

4/6/2013 - 4/7/2013 -- East Bend, NC (C) RAMS WARBIRD 2013 EVENT. Site: Rams Air Field. Ken Blackford CD PH: 336.403.5464 Email: <a href="mailto:kblackford@triad.rr.com">kblackford@triad.rr.com</a>. Visit: <a href="www.riversiderc.com">www.riversiderc.com</a>. Warbird event- The RAMS club is very proud to host another Warbirds event this year. Well over 400 acres of killer airspace. Guest are welcome Friday afternoon and evening to get set up. Food, drinks, toilets and full AC. Sponsor: RIVERSIDE AERO MODELERS SOCIETY

4/13/2013 -- East Bend, NC (C-Restricted) RAMS DRAGONFLY HELICOPTER FLY IN. Site: Club Field. Rod Stauffer CD PH: Email: <a href="mailto:rgsflrs@windstream.net">rgsflrs@windstream.net</a>. Visit: <a href="www.riversiderc.com">www.riversiderc.com</a>. \$10 landing fee. Open flying. Micro obstacle course will be offered for friendly competition! Concession stand, restroom and overnight (no hook up) camping available at the flying site. See website for 06/12 steak dinner reservations and event agenda. Sponsor: RIVERSIDE AERO MODELERS SOCIETY

4/13/2013 -- Youngsville, NC (C) RDRC SPRING FLY IN. Site: 1339 Bethleham Rd. Lawrence Lewis CD PH: 919.215-3946 Email: <a href="mailto:rclarry@aol.com">rclarry@aol.com</a>. Visit: <a href="mailto:rd-rc.com">rd-rc.com</a>. RDRC's Annual Spring Fly In. Any size plane welcome. Effective mufflers please. Food on site. Primitive camping. Prizes. Paved and grass runways. \$10 landing fee. Sponsor: RALEIGH DURHAM RADIO CONTROL

4/20/2013 -- Wilson, NC (C) WRCNA ANNUAL HELI FLY. Site: Club Field. Robert Mattern CD PH: 252-243-7138 Email: <a href="mattern@nc.rr.com">rmattern@nc.rr.com</a>. Visit: <a href="www.wilsonrc.org">www.wilsonrc.org</a>. Contest flying on volunteer basis, prizes for each event plus door prizes. Hot food, cold drinks, shade, electricity and port a pot on site. \$10 landing fee. 50/50 drawing. Sponsor: WILSON RC MODELERS ASSN.



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### **April** (continued)

NC

4/27/2013 -- Hickory, NC (C) 11TH ANNUAL WARBIRDS OVER HICKORY. Site: Wilsons Field. Gregory Hames CD PH: 828-291-4058 Email: <a href="mailto:preachhames@aol.com">preachhames@aol.com</a>. Visit: <a href="www.wham-rc.org">www.wham-rc.org</a>. Registration @8- fly until dark. Any size, era, or power plant welcome. AMA required \$5 landing fee. 1000' paved and grass runways. Lunch served by Drowning Creek Fire Department.

### May

NC

5/4/2013 - 5/5/2013 -- Huntersville, NC (AA) VI. Site: Waymer Field. Everett Shoemaker CD PH: 252-633-4128 Email: <a href="evjoshoe@embarqmail.com">evjoshoe@embarqmail.com</a>. Visit: <a href="EVJOSHOE@EMBARQMAIL.COM">EVJOSHOE@EMBARQMAIL.COM</a>. Events 323-326, 319-321, 340-342 (All JSO) Sat- Basic Flt, Prof S, OTS, Nos30, Spd Lmt Cpmbat (75mph), Carrier 1 and 11 glo/elec combined, Profile glo/elec, .15 glow/elec, Nostalgic 1, 11, Profile combined. Sun PAMPA classes, vintage Combat Sponsor: METROLINA CONTROL LINE SOCIETY

5/4/2013 - 5/5/2013 -- Julian, NC (AAA) OLD JULIAN AIRPORT SPRING RACE. Site: Old Julian Airport. James Katz CD PH: 704.668.3700 Email: <a href="mrjrkatz@aol.com">mrjrkatz@aol.com</a>. Visit: <a href="www.oldjulianairport.org">www.oldjulianairport.org</a>. AMA 422, 424, long course, thundertiger pro40, APC 9x6, 15% Richs brew test flying Wed-Thur-Fri. Camper welcome. Sat night cook out and concessions by Dick Hotdogs. (If you like hotdogs, you like Dicks) AMA 424 \$25, AMA 422 \$70 Sponsor: OLD JULIAN AIRPORT MODEL AIRPLANE CLUB

5/4/2013 -- Monroe, NC (C) 13TH ANNUAL SPRING FLING FLY IN. Site: Club Field. W Scott Gantt CD PH: 704-564-0716 Email: <a href="mailto:sgantt@benefitcontrolsnc.com">sgantt@benefitcontrolsnc.com</a>. Visit: <a href="www.charoletteaeromodelers.org">www.charoletteaeromodelers.org</a>. All size aircraft welcome. \$10 registration fee. AMA required. Field opens at 8AM. Camping, no hook up. Smoked chicken at noon \$8 Adult, \$4 children. Playground facility. Excellent facility/runway. Prizes for best scale, sport, biplane, military, and peoples choice. See website for directions. Sponsor: CHARLOTTE AERO-MODELERS INC

5/4/2013 -- Vanceboro, NC (C) SOUTHERN AIR RC SPRING FLY IN. Site: Gaskins Field. Thomas Smith CD PH: 252 288 4172 Email: <a href="mailto:elainesmith@suddenlink.net">elainesmith@suddenlink.net</a>. Visit: <a href="www.southernairrc.com">www.southernairrc.com</a>. Open fly in Swap meet for gas, glow and electric. Charging stations on site. Buy, swap or sell. Pilot prizes and raffles. Food, drinks and snacks available. Pilot registration \$10. Spectators free. Pilots meeting 9AM. Visit club website for map and directions. Manicured 100x600 grass runway. Sponsor: SOUTHERN AIR R/C CLUB



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### May (continued)

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5/11/2013 - 5/12/2013 -- Julian, NC (C) GLORY DAYS VINTAGE RC FLY IN. Site: 8807 Old 421 Rd. Robert Harris CD PH: 919.363.2211 Email: <a href="mailto:bharrisus3@cs.com">bharrisus3@cs.com</a>. Visit: <a href="www.oldjulianairport.org">www.oldjulianairport.org</a>. Come join us for some old time flying like the old days. Bring your vintage RC, Control line and Free flight models and fly with us! Large flying field with grass control line circle. Awards given Saturday for youngest/oldest pilots best finished model. Concours, technical achevement. All models welcome both electric and gas. Sponsor: OLD JULIAN AIRPORT MODEL AIRPLANE CLUB

**5/11/2013** -- Kinston, NC (C) MOTHERS DAY FUN FLY. Site: Club Field. Juan Cantu CD PH: 252 -650-8031 Email: <a href="mailto:cantuveteran@yahoo.com">cantuveteran@yahoo.com</a>. Visit: <a href="mailto:cantuveteran@yahoo.com">cantuveteran@yahoo.com</a>. All A/C welcome- \$10 Landing fee. Food and refreshments available on field. Camping (self contained) welcome. No alcohol please. Family fun filled day. Public invited recreational programs and demos welcome. Pilots briefing at 9AM Sponsor: KINSTON AERO-MODELERS

**5/18/2013** -- Mocksville, NC (C) PIEDMONT ELECTRIC WINGDING. Site: Club Field. Norman Mcpherson CD PH: 336-768-2971 Email: <a href="mailto:nmcpherson@triad.rr.com">nmcpherson@triad.rr.com</a>. Visit: <a href="www.wsrconline.com">www.wsrconline.com</a>. Fly in open to all electric aircraft 110V outlets available. 600 ft mowed runway with 60x20 mat for small models. dry camping permited. pilots prizes and a general raffle. Directions to field on website. Sponsor: WINSTON-SALEM RC CLUB

5/18/2013 -- Thompsonville, NC (C) BARC 16TH ANNUAL SPRING THING. Site: Thompsonville. Edward Mcintosh CD PH: 231-882-4990 Email: <a href="mailto:emcintosh04@charter.net">emcintosh04@charter.net</a>. Benzie Area Radio Control hosts its 16th Annual Spring Thing Fun Fly on Saturday May 18th at the Thompsonville Airport from 10AM -3PM. The airport is located on Lindy Rd. just E of M115, near the entrance of Crystal Mountain resort. Jets also welcome on our expansize black top runway and huge pits area. Fixed wing and helicopters pilots will enjoy their own air space and pits. Good crowds and lots of parking. For additional, contact CD Sponsor: BENZIE AREA R/C CLUB

5/18/2013 -- Wilson, NC (C) WRCMA MEMORIAL FLY IN. Site: Club Field. Robert Mattern CD PH: 252-243-7138 Email: <a href="mattern@nc.rr.com">rmattern@nc.rr.com</a>. Visit: <a href="www.wilsonrc.org">www.wilsonrc.org</a>. \$10 landing fee, hot food, cold drinks, shade, electricity and port a pot on site. Door prizes and 50/50 drawing. All types of aircraft welcome. Sponsor: WILSON RC MODELERS ASSN.

5/22/2013 - 5/26/2013 -- Wilson, NC (C) FIRST IN FLIGHT JET MEET. Site: Wilson Undustrial Air Center. Lawrence Lewis CD PH: 919.215-3946 Email: <a href="mailto:rclarry@aol.com">rclarry@aol.com</a>. Annual "First in Flight" Jet meet. 4500 foot runway. Food on site. Hotels close to event. Saturday night pig pickin. Prizes. Primitive camping. Vendors on site. Sponsor: FIRST IN FLIGHT JETS

# Motices - Upcoming Events

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Anderson R/C 1101 Mendenhall St. Thomasville, NC 27360 336-476-6917 andersonrc@live.com

# Sale Saturday

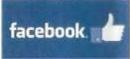
Saturday April 20, 2013 9:00am until 6:00pm



# FREE PIZZA!

- RADIO CONTROL DISPLAYS
- AIRPLANE / HELICOPTER SIMULATOR
- AIRPLANES, HELICOPTERS, TRUCKS, CARS, BOATS, AND MANY MORE





- FREE DEMOS
- SWAP MEET



February Meeting





















### SALES/SWAP MEET Page

Futaba T4YF-2.4G 4 Channel radio with corresponding 4 Channel receiver--\$75

Call Terry Brierly at 919-412-8629 (cell) or email at <u>tebrier-ly@att.net</u>.



I was contacted by a gentleman with a number of aircraft, kits and engines for sale, so I will pass it along

Henry Steenburg 721 South Main Street Apt A-3 Bunn Manor Bunn, NC 1-919-496-7852

We are looking to add a sales / swap meet page. If you are interested, please email the editor with items for sale.

We will add the items to the next newsletter plus add the items to the RD-RC website.

Then when you sell the item or take it off sale, please send another email to the editor and I will remove it from the next newsletter and the RD-RC website.

# RDRC 2013 Officers

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### Newsletter

#### **Editor:**

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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 e-mails sent to my address above, photos can be attachments in any format that your camera produces (or scanned photos).



Thoughts from the windsock...

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.



It is time to wrap up those building projects and dust off the hanger rash that has collected over the winter. Flying time is fast approaching. If you have any ideas that you would like to see in the newsletter, please contact me.

About the photo on the front page: The picture on the front page is that of Pat Taggart a most EXCELLENT Pilot, with one of his many aircraft. Keep up the Great flying, Pat!

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