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Upcoming Events

March 2, HRRC Meeting

March 25, Field Work Day

April 1, Field Work Day (Rain Date)

April 6, HRRC Meeting

April 21 and 22, Club Banquet and Dick

Ambrose Memorial Fly-In

April 28-30, Dirty Joe's Spring Float Fly

June 3&4, Suffolk Airport Air Show

June 10, HRRC Early Family Day Picnic

GroundHog Chili FlyDay a Huge Success

The temperature was mild, and although the clouds looked threatening there was no rain. There was great flying weather and lots of great flying. There were approximately 100 people present throughout the day--including pilots, guests, and family. There were 5 visitors from Chesapeake Flyers and TRC, 4 park rangers, many HRRC members relatives and we were glad to host them all!!!

The flight line was overflowing as were the tables of food. There were at least 15 pots of chili, 2 pots of soup, 2 cheese cakes, cookies, brownies, ham biscuits, coffee, and sodas. Thanks to all those who contributed.



Ray Goodwin, Gary Murdock and a mysterious hooded figure ready a plane for combat.

More photos available from the Web Site!

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Highlights from the February Meeting

36 members were present. Guests Mike Dabiere, Charles Lankford, and Florence Evey were welcomed.

The January Minutes were dispensed with and the Treasurers Report was read.

The 4th Annual GroundHog Chili FlyDay this weekend will be an all-weather event. Henry expects to start shortly after 8. Help will be needed to setup the Tables, Generators, and tents. Since the event usually draws quite a number of people, it is recommended that chairs be brought to the field.

Dave Haywood discussed the club's upcoming events and those that will be proposed at the area council meeting.

March 25th will be the Field WorkDay starting about 9 am. Roadwork, pit area 'floor', and hedgerow are potential work items. The rain date is April 1.

Ronnie Ward will be taking signups and payment for the Banquet on Saturday. The cost is approximately \$33 for two people. Since Chris Domack will run a slide show again this year, please send him any pictures that you have of planes and the field.

Henry Cahoon will CD the Spring Fly-In and expects it to be a very large event. There will be no landing fee and AMA cards will be required. Emphasis will be put on planes landing safely, so if a guest is at the field, spotters are expected to help with situational awareness. Henry has coordinated demonstration flights. Jim Maguire will sell raffle tickets, and John Eldridge will help with pilot registration. Keith Harrell and David Cokely will man the frequency control. Plane inspectors include Gus Gibboney, Frank Blanchard, and

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The Club holds regular meetings on the 1st Thursday of each month at the location given below. More information is available on the web site: hamptonroadsrc.com

The Deadline for article submission is the date of the monthly meeting. Submit articles in any form to Rick Lawrence (editor)--hrrc@cox.net or (757) 623-0477.

The information contained herein and on the web site is for the sole and personal use of Club Members strictly for their enjoyment in the pursuit of building and flying radio controlled aircraft.

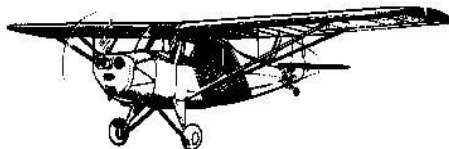
Directions to the Club's Meetings

The club's meetings are held at 7:30 the first Thursday of every month at the Lancaster Farms Meeting Room.

DIRECTIONS:

From Norfolk, Portsmouth, Va. Beach take I-664 to exit 9A or SR 164 to Rt. 17 North. Once on Rt. 17 go to the 3rd traffic light and turn right onto Knotts Neck Road. Look for the HRRC sign on the left.

From Suffolk, take Wilroy Road to Nansemond Parkway. Take a left on Nansemond Pkwy and turn left onto Shoulders Hill Rd. Cross the traffic light at Rt. 17 and look for the HRRC sign on the left.



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Highlights from the February Meeting (continued)

Wes Baxter. Spotters and other helpers will be needed as well. Henry will make a short biography of Dick Ambrose available. The board approved \$200 for raffle items. Donations for raffle-able items will be taken such as kits, fuel, etc. Flyers available of the event are available on the web site and were passed out at the meeting.

The Dirty Joe Spring Float Fly is scheduled for April 28th thru 30th--if Joe Robinette can get his wife's permission.

The Show Team 'Exam' can be administered by any Show Team member. Bob Swain will 'proctor' the test on Saturday for anyone desiring to take it.

New Events to be proposed to the Council:

3 June, Suffolk Airport Air Show

10 June, HRRC Early Family Day FunFly. The FunFly will be something in which everybody can participate.

22 July, Scale Event. Dave will need help in organizing the event.

12 August, tentatively; Combat Day.

23 August, Pylon Racing (this may be switched with the Combat Day to prevent losses in racers due to attrition)

2 October, Dirty Joe Fall Float Fly

8 October, HRRC Late Family Day FunFly

The Board of Directors decided that several projects that have been recommended for improvement to the field (Pit Floors and the Picnic Shelter) will not be pursued. Costs were prohibitive because the

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projects will have to meet the city's requirements. Pilot-line fence extensions were also rejected because they would create an obstacle to the grass-cutting--additionally, there have been no incidents where the existing fences have not served the purpose.

Pilot Certifications are required for all New Members. Even if pilots are experienced, they must be certified by the process established by the club.

Wear Club Badges while at the field, to ID. Roster of Certified Pilots and Instructors will be posted at the field.

As a safety item, Dave Cokely reported an incident where a brand new plane was lost because the aileron servo screws had come loose. Keith Harrell indicated that smoke oil had attacked the rubber servo grommets on the exhaust side aileron servo on his Fun-Fly 1000. Dave Haywood indicated that metal gear servo screws require Loctite to withstand the torque.

Gary Murdock asked if anyone wanted to coordinate the CVA Fuel Order. In the past, it has resulted in prices for S&W fuel of about 12\$ for 15%.

Bob Howell has the All-Weather Pilot forms. In order to get the patch at the banquet, you will need to certify that you have flown every month of the year and indicate the year of the patch.

The Grass Contract is imminent. If anyone knows of someone who would like to bid on it, contact Bob Howell.

For Sale

Keith Harrell's has the following kits for sale at the respective asking prices contact him at 484-7770 if interested.

Goldberg Sukhoi (SU26MX), 72.5", .91-2 stroke, 1.2 4-stroke	\$150
Great Planes Dazzler, 48", .40-.46 2-stroke to .60-.80 4-stroke	\$50
El Camino (Early pattern plane) 625 sq in. .61 2-stroke	\$65

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GWS Zero (electric) motor included	\$45