

# HRRC Flyer

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## Upcoming Events

April 20, HRRC Banquet, Planter's Club

April 21, HRRC Fly-In, HRRC Field

April 27, 28, and 29th, Dirty Joe Float Fly

May 5th, 6th BAGS Fly-In (Bay Area Giant  
Scalers)

May 19th, CVA No Guts, No Glory Fun Fly

May 26, 27, Mid-Atlantic Jet Rally @  
Fentress

June 2, 3 Warbirds over Williamsburg @  
CVA (Sanctioned) 9 am to 3pm

June 9th, HRRC Family Picnic

June 16th, Senior Pattern Association  
Contest (Sanctioned) @ NNPRC

July 21st, HRRC Scale Fly-In (Sanctioned)

July 21st AMA Fun Scale and Sport Scale  
Contest (Sanctioned) @ NNPRC

June 30th, Very Low Pressure Fun Fly @  
CVA

August 18th, Something Different (Sanctioned) @ CVA

September 8th, Family Day @ NNPRC

September 15th, Cub Fly (Sanctioned) @  
CVA

## Don't Miss the Annual Banquet and Fly-In

The Flying Season kicks off with the HRRC Banquet and Fly-In the weekend of the 20th. Tickets may still be available from Warren Coleman, and the Fly-In is free! Dates on the left and more details in the Meeting Highlights Section.



Ray Goodwin hard at work at his desk at the field  
supervising the work efforts that completed April 14th  
Photo Courtesy of Mike Wersosky

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## Highlights from the April Meeting

49 Members were present--a record. Additionally, there were two guests: Paul Coco and Eugene Fentress.

Matt discussed the recent Board of Director's Meeting, the results of which follow at the end of the newsletter.

Matt discussed the painting and other improvements at the field. Some areas still require work including a new roof for the shed. April 14th is scheduled as a field work-day to finish those items. Matt thanked those who worked during the last work-day.

Warren Coleman gave an update on the Banquet. So far 75 persons have paid for the event. There are still plenty of seats available. Food will be available at 7:00 pm; guests are welcome any time after 5:30. The address of the event is:

The Planter's Club  
4600 Planters Club Drive, Suffolk, VA

As CD and general organizer, Henry made some comments about the Spring Fly-In. First--charge your planes before you leave for the banquet! Setup for the event will start at 8 am with a Pilot's meeting between 9 and 9:30. At least one tent will be put up, radio impound, pilot check-in will need to be set up, and additional volunteers will be needed. If you don't feel comfortable flying with a potentially large number of pilots, please come out to watch the action and help out. Spotters will be required for all pilots who fly, and a maximum of 4 planes will be allowed in the air. Although it is free, registration with your AMA card is required at the Pilot check-in headed by Jim Maguire and Keith Harrell. At check-in you will have to sign a Safety Form. No unflown planes are permitted at the event. You can purchase your raffle tickets there as well. Raffle items will

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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](http://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](mailto: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.

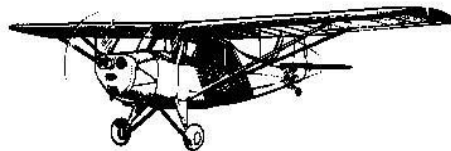
## Directions to the Club's Meetings

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 April Meeting (continued)

be an O.S. .55AX, glow drivers and many other items. The Raffle will be around noon. Radio Impound will be run by Dave Cokely, Mike Wersosky and Wade Saltzgiver. Cooking will be done by Alex Lymber and his wife Betty. The plan for the WAVY 10 Helicopter is still in place. It should land between 7 and 7:30 am. If John Massey (WAVY News Helo) is called away, the helo will have to take off—any models will have to be secured against the prop-wash. Michael Dilday has provided food through SUPREME Foods. The area in front of the shed will need to be kept clear so that the SUPREME Foods truck can be parked there. Check-in at the Park Entrance will not be required.

Ray Goodwin asked that club members present at the Fly-In wear T-shirts, hats or badges identifying them as host club members to show club unity and make it easier for guests who have questions.

Keith Harrell illustrated the proper 'race-track pattern'. After taking off into the wind from the strip, always turn away from the pilot line. Proceed downwind to the far end of the field, then turn towards the pilot line and fly upwind over the strip area. Always land into the wind. Shifting winds and crosswinds were discussed—common sense and communication at the pilot line can easily solve issues that arise.

Bob Howell reminded all club members to sign in at the Park Entrance when they come to the field. By recording our usage, the club is able to increase the level of service provided by the Park.

Joe Robinette reported that the Float Fly still on for April 27, 28, and 29th at his house on Cotton Farm Lane in Suffolk.

Henry, as Field Marshall; reminded everyone to do a Spring-time battery check. Use a cycler or some other means to check the status and/or capacity of your flying batteries.

New Pilot, Keith Desbois was presented with a Pilot Certificate—Congratulations!

All-Weather pilot certificates and patches for 5-year increments of AMA membership are available with the appropriate signup. Contact Bob Howell, if you would like one for your respective category.

Show and Tell was Ronnie Ward's Bobcat-52, a pusher prop plane that looks and flies like a jet

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## Highlights from the Board of Directors Meeting

The Board of Directors (BOD) agreed to the following:

- The helicopter pilot qualification/proficiency program submitted by Dom DePolo was approved.
- BOD approved the modified HRRC ground rules submitted by Ronnie Ward. Shed security was added and took out park ranger notification of all clear.
- BOD approved the modified HRRC Flight rules by Bob Swain. (Engine shutdown to occur immediately upon passing the line parallel to the pilot boxes)
- BOD agreed to have the flight rules modified to require a frequency pin to be used regardless of transmitter modulation. (Spread Spectrum will also require a frequency pin). The frequency pin board will have to be modified to recognize spread spectrum radios. The flight rules will be modified to suggest Frequency Control Pins (FCP) have the pilots name on the FCP (not required).
- The BOD agreed to require an Instructor to be present for any pilot flying that is not a certified HRRC pilot.
- BOD approved to purchase a new grill (a spending limit of \$500 was set). Alex Lymber and Bob Howell are to purchase the grill. The grill will be stored in the shed when not in use.
- BOD approved to spend up to \$200 for wood to place along the fence line adjoining the parking lot.
- BOD agreed to purchase a new battery for the riding lawnmower. Ronnie Ward will be purchasing the battery.
- BOD agreed to mail letters out to city officials inviting them to the Spring Fly-In.
- BOD agreed to have the Dilday family as guests at the banquet.
- BOD agreed to have the guest speaker and family as guests of the club for the banquet.
- BOD agreed to purchase 75 gifts for club members to be presented at the banquet.
- A proposed budget for the 2007 year (July – July) was presented by the president to the BOD for review. The budget is to be presented to the club membership at the May monthly general membership meeting.

## For Sale

1. 60inch wingspan Lazy Ace Bi-plane, ready to fly -- \$300 w/ Saito . 91, Futaba 6 channel computer radio, 1100 mah Battery, kit built. Flies slowly and gently.
2. Great Planes super stick 40 ready to fly -- \$150 w/ Enya . 40, Airtronics 6 ch radio, 7 servos, two wing payload drops and Bomb-bay doors.
3. Set of . 40 size floats built from Great Planes kit. \$20.

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