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Ray B.

Minutes from the May meeting held on May 4, 2017

The meeting started at 7:00pm with 12 members present.

Treasurer's Report:

Is as followed and accepted by the attendance at the meeting.

March:

Income	\$593.00	
Donations	\$ 4.00	
Dues	\$576.00	
Raffle	\$ 13.00	
Expenses	\$142.12	
Donation	\$100.00	In Memory of Pete H.
Porta John	\$ 37.22	
Postage	\$ 13.00	
Net Income	\$450.88	

April:

Income	\$716.00	
Donations	\$154.00	\$100 for Mansfield Library,
Thank you		
Dues	\$546.00	
Raffle	\$ 16.00	
Expenses	\$424.72	
Building Contest	\$165.00	
Contributions	\$200.00	
Porta John	\$ 37.22	
Postage	\$ 22.50	
Net Income	\$291.28	



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Dave M.

BB



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For the Mansfield Library

New Members: **None**

Old Business:

The NEDS Building Contest follow up.

Even though the information and photos were in the previous newsletter, we went over the confusion about the prizes and extra prizes.

There was initially a confusion about amount won, weather it was \$50 or \$25 for second place Kit built. It was agreed to be \$25 at the March Meeting. In addition, there were no ARFs submitted into the contest...way to go, lets all plan to build something for next year!

Membership Renewal numbers are in (as of the meeting) 43 people have renewed...if you have an idea to boost membership, please reach out to the board.

Mud season, time to tread lightly on your way into the field!
Sign for gate at Coventry Flying Field.

It is in the works, Rich will have more information at the June Meeting.

New Business:

Flying schedule.

The age-old question of perinate Fridays has come up again. It was agreed that unless there is a meeting or savior weather predicted the second flying day (while we have to choose our days wisely) will be Friday. It was brought up to a vote and chosen this way.

Boy Scout Camp Float Flying

Jim K. is at it again, he will have more information at the June for those who wants to get some float flying inn at the boy scout camp in Ashford this summer.

Flying logs!

Remember to fill out your flying logs! In addition to flying, keep an eye out for people walking dogs, fishing, and what species of birds you see!

Remember we have this crazy schedule because of the Bobolink. →



Float Fly Dates...

I am looking for suggestions on dates for 2018...as the permit process takes some time.

Board position(s)

After much consideration, I (Ron V.) am stepping down from the Secretary, website, and other board duties after this year is complete. I have been on and off of the Newsletter since before Bob B. left. In addition, I have maintained the website for about 12 years. Thankfully, Bill T. has offered to step up (or down) to the Secretary position to take care of contacting DEEP, filing permits, completing the newsletter, running and maintaining the website, and other duties to keep the club going. We will be looking for at least a Vice President. But we are always welcoming other members to step up and run!

Upcoming NEDS events:

NEDS at Hog Heaven! June 17, 2017 is NEDS Day at Hog Heaven, please show your support and go up there on the 17, and any other chance you can!

NEDS Open House, Saturday, July 22, 2017 at Coventry Flying Field. Time is TBD. Volunteers are needed for this event. Pilots and aircraft for trainer flying, planes for display, pre-flight instruction, crowd control, and parking control.

NEDS Float Fly

July 16, 2017 at 9:30am, at the Mansfield Float Fly Area.

September 17, 2017 at 9:30am, at the Mansfield Float Fly Area.

NEDS September Meeting, September 7, 2017 at Coventry Flying Field at 7:00pm.

Raffle: None.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55.

Recorded by Ron V.

What Got You into RC?

Chick S.

Started building free flight and control line airplanes purchased at Joes Key way in Willimantic (anyone remember that place) then got into R/c with advice from Ed Miner (hobby shop in Willimantic) and Ray Hammel (r/c hobby shop in Columbia) 2 clubs at that time NEDS and CAMS (Chaplin Air modeled) Ned's flew at Mansfield and Chaplin flew at the Chaplin town hall. One of the clubs also had a temporary field off of Rt 207 in Lebanon. I can remember being 16 years old (1971) and at the time I played in a folk group at Saint Joseph's Church in Willimantic at 11 o'clock mass on Sundays. Unfortunately for me the club members flew every Sunday AM from 9 to 12. Needless to say by the time I got there after mass everyone was gone and after waiting an hour or so for an instructor I would try to fly myself with my old Heathkit radio and whatever pieced together plane that I had. Took me several weeks, crashes and lost planes but finally got myself flying. The planes I learned to fly on were, Andrews H ray, A ray, Carl Goldberg 62" Skylane and a scale Pete n Paul. Later in life bought the Hobby shop from Dave Brown and ran R/C Hobby House in Columbia for several years. Built and flew all types of models including giant scale and Helicopters. Became a full scale pilot with private, commercial and multi engine ratings, (950 hours) certified aircraft appraiser and aircraft dealer license. Owned many full scale planes including a Piper Seneca that I flew all over the country. Out of full scale now and after a 15-20 year absence back into R/C a hobby that you can enjoy from teen thru retirement years. Look forward to seeing you all at the field.

George H.

It was the year 1954, I was 8 years old and sick in bed with double pneumonia that's when I was first introduced to model aviation. On his way home from my Dad would stop at the local hobby store back then known as Joe's Key Way, and bring me home a rubber band powered airplane that you had to build, and watch glue dry. He did that for several weeks, and by the time I was all better I had a quite a collection of airplanes. Then I use to visit the hobby store all the time seeing it was one street over from where I lived. Then I was introduced to U control and I did that up into my high school years, at which time I lost interest for a period of time, until I entered the Army that's when I was stationed in Huntsville, Alabama (REDSTONE ARSENAL) and got my first taste of RC. At the other end of the base there was an abandoned airport which was occupied by NASA, and there was a model airplane club that use to fly model radio control airplanes there. The club was and still is known as The RCRC (ROCKET CITY RADIO CONTROL) CLUB. In the 1960's they were using pulse radios, one comes to mind as the "GALLOPING GHOST" series .

I had met a member of that club who was an Engineer at NASA and he took me under his wing like a older Son he never had, and gave me a complete r c system & trainer plane and all, and so started me off on learning how to fly r c. Then a few months later I got orders for Southeast Asia, so the hobby was put on hold again.

Upon returning, got back in the hobby and built my first plane a SIG "Kadet" a 3 channel plane that's when I joined the "NEDS" the year was 1971, then dropped out in 1979, had to put the hobby on hold, I got back in it 1986 and been with it ever since.

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The next NEDS meeting will be held at the Coventry Flying Field on Friday, June 2, 2017 at 7:00pm. Please make the change to your calendars...as we are on the Friday. Don't forget your aircraft and get a flight (or two!) in before the meeting starts! There will be flight instructors, field marshals, and other helpful people there, don't be afraid to ask for help; we are here to have fun!

