

# The Aerogramme

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AMA Club #187



## Officers:

**President:**  
Curt Gould

**Vice President:**  
Matt Dauteuil

**Secretary:**  
Jim Knox

**Treasurer:**  
Gary Warzocha

## Instructors:

**Aero:**  
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Ron V. 860-205-3277

**Heli:**  
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**Glider:**  
Billy G. 860-429-1046  
Ron V. 860-205-3277

**Field Marshals:**  
Don M.  
Ray B.

## Minutes of NEDS meeting on February 5, 2015

12 Members present

### Financials:

Income \$144

- Dues \$144

Expenses \$310.65

- New Year's Fun fly \$31.97

- Incorporation fee \$50.00

- DEEP Permits \$150.00

- Blank Member Cards \$37.22

- Postage \$17.96

Net Loss \$166.65

Cash and Checking Balance \$5000.95

### Old Business

Greg W. reported there has been a delay in the opening of the investment account due to the death of the financial consultant. New paper work is required.

Gary W. gave an update on the permit process. Three are required. Mansfield should be approved soon, Coventry is still pending. We have applied for 3 float flies for this year.

Curt G. gave a report on the meeting with Representative Ackert. Curt, Jim K. and Matt D. all met with him and felt it was a beneficial meeting. Ackert indicated he would make a casual contact with Susan Waylen on our behalf regarding our Coventry permit and to let her and the DEEP know we were in contact with him and he is aware of us and our land use situation.

### New Business

Curt G. reported on a contact he received from a reporter connected with the Hartford Courant who is doing a story on Drones. She reached out to us due to our name. Curt gave her a basic outline of our concerns with those who fly drones in hazardous manners, are not AMA members, and create all the negative press. Our concern is that legislation to regulate those people may negatively impact our hobby. He explained the rules and insurance AMA members have and the clubs compliance with all AMA rules.

Don M. reported he has sent out his annual email asking anyone on the list that wants to be removed to let him know. He had one response.

Curt G. spoke about the "AMA Leader Club" asking the members present to approve an inquiry into becoming a "Leader Club." The benefit to the club primarily would be a certified demonstration of the club's commitment to safety. Motion to investigate passed.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Our annual Swap / Sell will be held at the April meeting.
- NEDS weekly morning coffees are on Tuesday, 10am, at Dunkin Donut Coventry (check NEDS online calendar for updates).
- NEDS evening coffee will be on Feb 19th, 7 pm, at Dunkin Donut Coventry (check NEDS online calendar for updates).
- - Polar Bear is tentatively scheduled for March 15th pending weather and access into Mansfield.

Reordered by Matt D'Auteuil and Curt Gould

## NEDS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

1. Complete form, include a photocopy of your AMA membership ID card and return to Treasurer.
2. Dues are \$18 per year if you are under 18, otherwise the cost will be \$48.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

STREET: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

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PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

FORUM USER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Applicant Certification: I agree to abide by the club rules, by-laws and AMA Safety Code.**

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail to: NEDS Care of Gary Warzocha, PO Box 115, Hampton,  
CT 06247**

**www.NEDSincT.org**

Place  
Stamp  
Here

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Next Meeting  
Thursday, March 5, 2015 at 7:00pm, at  
the Mansfield Public Library.