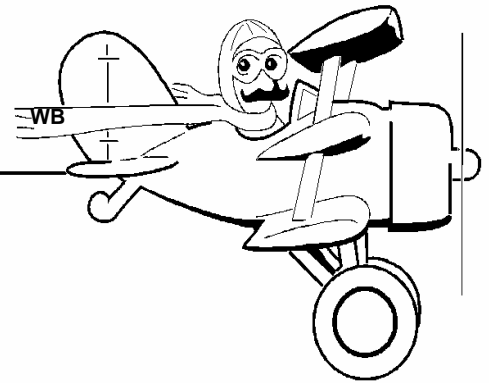


# The Misfit News

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THE NEW HAMPSHIRE FLYING MISFITS

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

6/4	<b>Club Meeting</b>
6/?	<b>Club Field Day / Fly-in / Cookout</b>
7/2	<b>Club Meeting</b>

**OUR AUCTION** was a grand success! Thanks to all those club members and their family members who helped with the tables & chairs, hangar cleanup, grill kings, runners, cashiers, and auctioneers. It could not have gone smoother. The grand total profit, including a generous donation from Ben Siekaniec's family, was \$630.50!

**CLUB MEETINGS:** All members are welcome and urged to come to the monthly meetings that take place on the first Monday of each month. When the first Monday of the month is a holiday, the meeting will take place on the following Monday. **The meetings start at 6:30 p.m..** Remember that we now meet at the GOLDENRODS Restaurant on Candia Rd in Manchester.

**NEWSLETTERS:** I am mailing this newsletter to the ones who didn't want it emailed. If you prefer to have it emailed, please email me at [jpsweeney@verizon.net](mailto:jpsweeney@verizon.net) and I will put you on the list.

**The Field:** Some time during June we'll have our Field Day Cookout Fly – in. Come to Monday's

meeting and find out when. We always have a blast!

**Field Tree Cutting Fund:** We're at \$1245.00 with \$155.00 to go! Come to the meeting and help decide on who/what/when & where!

**Club Dues and AMA cards:** All club dues should have been paid by now. Also, remember that you must have your 2007 AMA card to fly at the field.

**Wednesday Night Madness:** Don't forget about Wednesday night flying!



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Guys,

All jazzed up & ready for flying eh! Don't blame ya I think we have all been cooped up too long. It's time to roll out those old standby's and fresh new projects onto the tarmac! (or grass, in our case).



New design, Fokker Dr.1 46.7" at <http://www.aerodromerc.com/>

Guys now's not the time to take chances on your radio gear. To be safe, is important to know how many mah or how long your transmitter lasts in the discharge mode. We have watt meters, Radio shack meters that can log the current and voltage over serial to the pc, and other units you can buy to test our batteries. We have had 2 or more collateral damage incidents at the field in the last 10 years, I have had a cracked windshield from a plane going into it at the field so it can and does happen on occasion. A few years back we had a very bad incident concerning a plane where someone checked the pack with an RC pack checker and then moments later in the air the plane would not respond... The battery was dead. The Saito 150 & extra 300 buried itself deep in the dash of a newly painted truck of a customer of ARC (next door), much to the horror of the pilot. Ouch! So it is important to keep your gear up to snuff and help check each other out at the field. The best medicine is to check these things out at home, to ensure they are in good working order.

This little beauty can monitor all, motor, servo and can be ordered with USB



**Medusa Power Analyzer II data Logger @ <http://www.hobby-lobby.com/bataccy.htm>**

Be very aware if you are running Big Birds, they are especially prone to draining your flight packs fast. Check each servo's current draw as you move it with the Tx or servo controller. Use the peak function on your meter if you have one, to ensure you don't have a "brown out" or fading of the voltage to the Rx in flight. New flight packs are around

\$30 for the Tx's and less for Rx's if needed and are cheap way of ensuring your favorite creation remains at your side.



Old style, simple to use.  
Just discharge into this load and  
time it or use w/watt meter

#### Club stuff:

We, our club has worked a long time to make this club alive and keep it going. We have the membership to thank and the commitment of its officers who have stepped up to steady the ship, from those early days and still today, to where we still have one of the greatest little flying fields in southern NH. Here is a place where we still welcome the "inventors of the air" to our humble field.

We started out in rough boulder strewn fields in Hooksett and near the(now)Union leader building/Pepsi plant off of Candia road, and then moved onto a field adjacent to the back side of Massabessic. One day a young kid pulled a wagon to that field and learned to fly with Benny, Dick and Frank Joe Lacourse and others. That kids dad had a field built to encourage that kid and provide a home to others who wanted to do the same. I believe that youngster was Chucky, Charlie's son, that's the way I heard it.

Many of those early guys still read these Misfits emails and newsletters. Try to keep this in mind as you converse with the other members online and in the forums. Geez we actually have a forum now. I would not have thought this was going to happen when I asked Juergen if we could get a website up and later Alan to take it over after that. Now Mr. Chuck Huckins has taken great pains to move the website over to the new server and with many more bells and whistles. I am getting more used to it now, I always hate change, too much of a romantic at heart I guess, but it is shaping up. Make sure you get an account (register) so you can experience the whole thing. It is a little different when you actually are logged in. Chuck H. says he'll give us a link to the old site for when you want to show some of your work buddies something we did in the past and want to find it quickly.(Thanks Chuck) It is good to see we continue to have great support from these folks!

People know of us from around the country and beyond. Not bad for a few airplane nuts from good old NH, eh!

#### Meetings:

Let me take a second to give a couple of reasons or explain how important the meetings are.

We have kids that were introduced to the sport and have come to really like going. Two of these have become presidents of the club and some have or are becoming pilots and still enjoy learning, and models was a great place for them to start.

We struggled for many years, in the beginning to have a place to meet. Finally John and the present owners took us in at Goldenrods and have accommodated us for 10 years now, to our mutual benefit. We are greatfull to those guys.

We actually do business at the meetings. Many a good Idea has come out of being together and while listening to all the banter and ribbing, we have come up with some real good ones. To name a few, we have had, ideas like Christmas parties, spools for tables, bringing special guests to the field, picnic tables, Field extension, field boxes, having a website, having "Flying" field days, Parachute drops fun events and others... are all part of the contributions of you folks, your ideas, at the meetings.

We try not to get too serious, (even old Vets like me and others) even though we have/had lived on a steady diet of discipline and long-suffering, we try to keep it light. This is why we don't go so far as enacting Roberts Rules of Order to conduct the meetings. We keep it light so we will have more enjoyable atmosphere for the hobby exchange over a little food and ice cream ;-)

I personally relish the meetings and seeing everyone there, seeing the planes and stuff. I really do like to see all your faces there. The sharing at those meetings has helped many newbie and veterans alike.

I love to fly like you, and for that, we have the other 29-30 days of the month. There are many who enjoy the meetings and talking about planes motors, props, gas/Electric/glow/4stroke jazz just as much as the flying. This atmosphere has helped to grow the club, and served us well.

Well, I gotta get busy and check out my own stuff, maybe I'll write down the time on the back of the TX & batteries. Dig out the old light bulb discharger and wattmeter or just use my Triton (Duh, how easy is that it will even cycle them) HMMMMMM It doesn't sound so hard now hey! Alright!



Triton charger/cycler

Hope your days at the field are fun and thereputic. I know you'll enjoy the evenings out there amongst the Whipoorwills and painted skies. Hope to see you out there. I'll have my camera and I'm sure I'll capture a few precious moments.

Regards

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