

Official Publication of the Southern NH Flying Eagles.

Chartered AMA Club #2417

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The Eagles' Nest



Operating our FAA
Approved FRIA Site
In Merrimack, NH

Effective 9/16/2023
Through 8/24/2027

President's Report

By: John Yassemedis

Hello Flying Eagles,

A big thank you to everyone who came out for the fall field cleanup! We accomplished quite a bit, we tuned up the mower, and did a oil change, cut back lots of brush, patched the gazebo roof, emptied the water container, cleared out the container, and blew thousands of leaves off the pits and parking lot. We also repositioned the fire pit a bit further from the flight line for added safety. Your hard work keeps our field in top shape—thank you!

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A heartfelt thank you to everyone who donated planes and RC equipment to our recent club auction. Your generosity helped us raise an amazing \$372 towards the club's goals. And another big thank you to those who arranged and helped run the event—it wouldn't have been possible without your dedication. Thanks for helping our community soar!

Thanks to those who return planes even when Names and AMA numbers /FAA numbers were not found. A weather resistant label or permanent marker will help retain this info even after weeks of being lost in the elements. dont think it can't happen to you!

Reminder: Our next club meeting is this Wednesday at 7:30 PM at St. James Church. We'll go over recent updates, share a few laughs, and start planning for our December meeting—including the always-entertaining Yankee Swap and Frozen Finger event in Feb.

See you there,
Johnnie Yaz
President, SNH Flying Eagles



Recovered from the Stream.

Thanks to all who donated to the November 2 auction. We raised some cash for the club. Thank you!



Charge station internal check – Looking good!



The Secretary's Report

By: Steve Lewis

SNHFE Monthly Club Meeting Oct 1, 2025

Meeting held at St. James Church.
Meeting Called to order: 1932
Members present: 10

Attending Officers:

- John Yassemedis – President
- Scott Hurley – Vice President
- John Spitz – Field Marshall
- Steve Lewis – Club Secretary
- Carl Anderson – Safety Officer (Abs)
- Bob Fregault – Treasurer
- Dave Majchrzak – Newsletter Ed. (Abs)

General Discussion:

- Float fly was a big success.
- Saturday is the AMA outreach event at the Hampton Airport
- Daryl Wagner fun fly is on Saturday October 5th.
- Sunday October 5th is Family day at the field.
 - Trever has some burgers left over from the float fly.
- St. James Church is looking for assistance with set-up/clean-up for their fall festival on October 16th(setup).
- Field clean-up date October 25th. John S & Tim S will bring Brush hogs. Members bring saws, Weedwackers, gloves



Secretary's Report (Steve L):

Minutes posted in the newsletter accepted by voice vote.

Safety Officer Report (Carl A): (absent)

John Y showed extension cables from Spektrum to help keep batteries away from chargers. Allowing users to put the battery in a lipo bag or other container to help avoid additional damage should the battery burn

Treasurer's Report (Bob F):

- Bob reviewed income & expenses for the previous month.
- Members can now start renewing their 2026 membership. Has been installed
- The new mail box has been installed.
 - Our new address will be 14A Griffin St. Merrimack, NH

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The Secretary's Report (continued....)

By: Steve Lewis

Field Marshall's Report (John S):

The road to the field has been washed out and needs attention. Bob F. contacted the town and DPW will take care of it.

VP's Report (Scott H):

No report.

Newsletter Editor's Report (Dave M):

(Absent)

The News letter has been sent out.

Business Meeting adjourned

Submitted by: Steve Lewis



Club Calendar

November 5th (Wed) - Club Members meeting @ 7:30PM
@ St. James

November 17th (Mon) - Club Officers meeting @ 7PM

December 3rd (Wed) - Club Members meeting @ 7:30PM
@ St. James

**Holiday Yankee Swap after Dec 3rd
meeting!**

December 15th (Mon) - Club Officers meeting @ 7PM

*Designated Club Instruction Times: Sunday AM,
Tuesday evening (during Daylight Savings Time)*





**Federal Aviation
Administration
FAADroneZone**

Adding FAA Number to your Profile

The FAA requires that all RC clubs maintain a list of FAA Registration Numbers for each club member.

Please follow the instructions below to obtain an FAA UAS registration number:

1) Go to https://www.faa.gov/uas/getting_started/register_drone

2) Once at the FAA page, click the “Register your drone at FAADroneZone” link

* Once you register your drone, you will receive an FAA registration certificate.

You must have your registration certificate (either a paper copy or digital copy) in your possession when you fly.

* The FAA requires that you label all drones with your registration number before you fly them.

Add your FAA registration number to our club website:

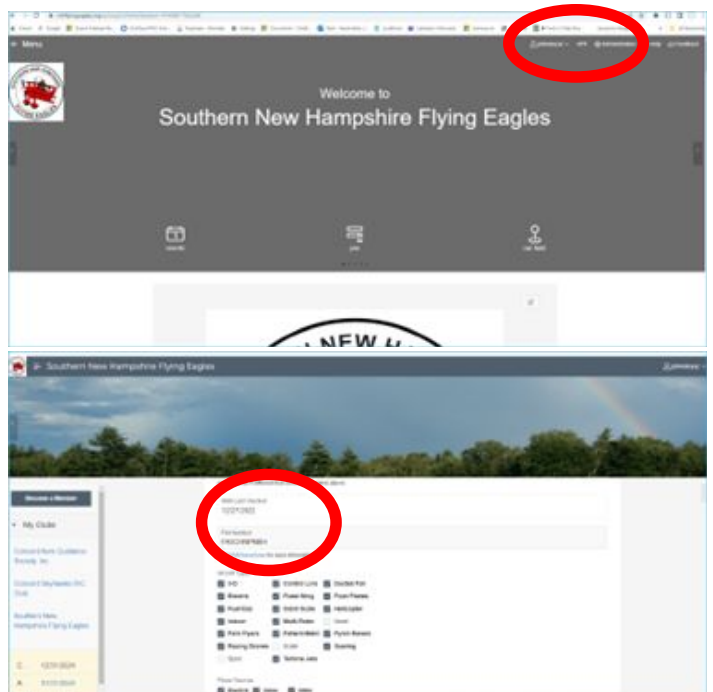
3) Sign into the club webpage with your user id and password.

<https://www.snhflyingeagles.org/>

4) Click on to the down arrow next to your name and select “Update Profile”

5) Enter your FAA Certificate number obtained from FAA DroneZone UAS registration, then click **save** at bottom.

* Please see an officer if you need help.





Club Safety Rules

The Southern New Hampshire Flying Eagles RC Club is an AMA-sponsored club and operates according to AMA Safety Rules. In addition, the following safety rules and practices are to be followed when flying at our flying site. The intention of these club safety rules is

- a) to maintain the highest level of personal safety for all members, guests, and spectators, and
- b) to keep our aircraft in good flying condition and to prevent unnecessary damage to them.

Please read and familiarize yourself with the AMA Safety Program that is online on the AMA web site.

General

1. All aircraft must be marked with your AMA member ID and FAA ID on an exterior surface and must be easily readable. Aircraft weighing less than .55 lbs. do not need the FAA ID.
2. No take-offs or landings from the pit area.
3. No more than 4 (four) aircraft in the air at any one time. (Helicopter hover area doesn't apply)
4. Only SNH Flying Eagles designated instructors shall give or supervise flight instruction at the SNH Flying Eagle's field.
5. All pilots are required to fly from designated areas on the flight line or hover area.
6. These Safety Rules may be amended by majority vote of the Officers.

Personal Safety

1. All flying must take place in front of the safety fence and the indefinite extensions of this fence in both directions. This means no flying over or behind the pit area, spectator area, or parking area.
2. Never taxi your aircraft in the pit area.
3. Never walk from the pit area to the flight line carrying an aircraft running at full throttle. (Exception: engines with no throttle)
4. If possible, program an easily accessible switch to kill your throttle until you are read to taxi or take off.
5. Announce your intention to take off and the direction you intend to take off in.
6. When going onto the field to retrieve an aircraft, announce your intentions loudly to all pilots on the flight line.
7. All club members will adhere to the safety guidelines as outlined in the AMA safety manual.



AMA Safety Rules

Academy of Model Aeronautics National Model Aircraft Safety Code

Effective January 1, 2018

A model aircraft is a non-human-carrying device capable of sustained flight within visual line of sight of the pilot or spotter(s). It may not exceed limitations of this code and is intended exclusively for sport, recreation, education and/or competition. All model flights must be conducted in accordance with this safety code and related AMA guidelines, any additional rules specific to the flying site, as well as all applicable laws and regulations.

As an AMA member I agree:

- I will not fly a model aircraft in a careless or reckless manner.
- I will not interfere with and will yield the right of way to all human-carrying aircraft using AMA's See and Avoid Guidance and a spotter when appropriate.
- I will not operate any model aircraft while I am under the influence of alcohol or any drug that could adversely affect my ability to safely control the model.
- I will avoid flying directly over unprotected people, moving vehicles, and occupied structures.
- I will fly Free Flight (FF) and Control Line (CL) models in compliance with AMA's safety programming.
- I will maintain visual contact of an RC model aircraft without enhancement other than corrective lenses prescribed to me. When using an advanced flight system, such as an autopilot, or flying First-Person View (FPV), I will comply with AMA's Advanced Flight System programming.
- I will only fly models weighing more than 55 pounds, including fuel, if certified through AMA's Large Model Airplane Program.
- I will only fly a turbine-powered model aircraft in compliance with AMA's Gas Turbine Program.
- I will not fly a powered model outdoors closer than 25 feet to any individual, except for myself or my helper(s) located at the flight line, unless I am taking off and landing, or as otherwise provided in AMA's Competition Regulation.
- I will use an established safety line to separate all model aircraft operations from spectators and bystanders.

For a complete copy of AMA's Safety Handbook please visit: modelaircraft.org

Your 2024 So. NH Flying Eagles Officers

- President: John Yassemedis
- Vice President: Scott Hurley
- Secretary: Steve Lewis
- Treasurer: Bob Fregault
- Field Marshall: John Spitz
- Safety Officer: Carl Anderson
- Webmaster (appointed): Chris Whalley
- Head Instructor(appointed): Tim Sowder
- Newsletter Editor: Dave Majchrzak



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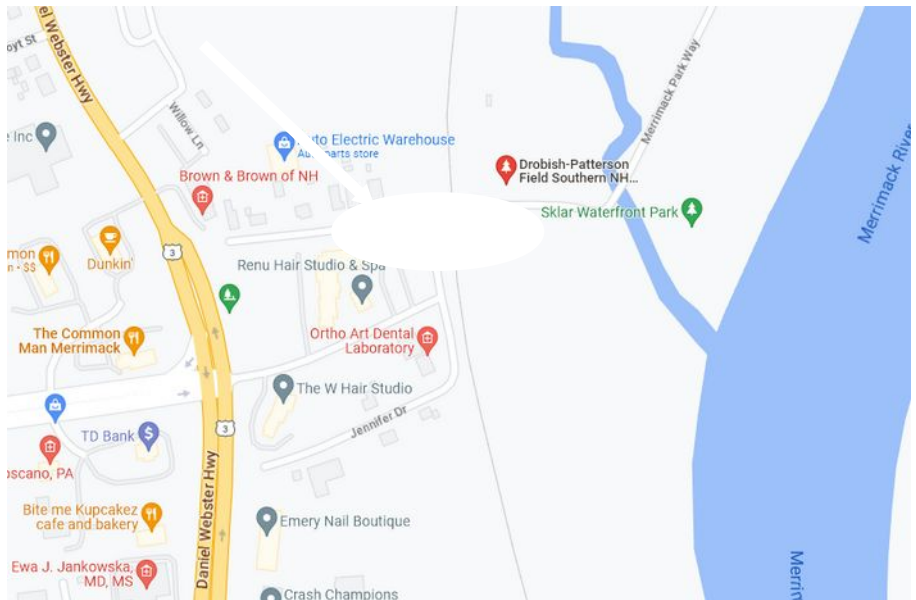
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Disclaimer:

Your dues do not entitle you to flight instruction. Flight instruction is offered free to members from certified club pilots who donate their time to help others. Flight instruction is dependent upon instructor availability and no guarantee is implied.



Drobysch-Patterson RC Field
14A Griffin St.
Merrimack, NH
03054



The Merrimack field is less than one mile from exit 11 off the Everett Turnpike. After leaving the highway, head east and go straight through all the lights and down the little hill. Spectators are encouraged to park in one of the parking lots and walk to the field. Pilots should turn left at the foot of the hill, and then make a hairpin right turn on the dirt road that goes under the railroad bridge. The field entrance is on the left as soon as you pass under the railroad tracks.



About the Southern New Hampshire Flying Eagles

- Founded 1984
- Chartered in 1985
- Approximately 100 Members
- Merrimack Flying Site Established in 1988
- Incorporated in NH as a Non-Profit Organization

- Annual Dues: \$65 Full Membership; \$35 Elders, \$35 Juniors, \$75 Family Membership
- Fabric Runway Laid in 2014
- Free Flight Instruction for Members
- AMA Chartered Club #2417
- Frozen Fingers Fun Fly (January)
- Banquet (March)
- Show & Tell (April)
- Family Picnic (August)
- Float Fly (September)

Mailing Address

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Websites

So. NH Flying Eagles

<https://www.snhflyingeagles.org>

AMA District I

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