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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to all the new members this year. It looks like the hobby remains strong and hopefully growing. Encourage your friends and family to join you at the field while you are receiving instruction. Guests are always welcome and it's always nice to have a cheering section. Don't forget to impound your transmitter until your frequency pin is available. Reserve the bench area parking for members who are flying. It makes for easy access for loading and unloading. We have a good supply of wings to present to you when you earn them and look forward to your fresh interest and excitement in the radio control. Keep practicing and getting stick time. This could be the year you become an R/C pilot. Who knows, you may even become an instructor someday.

Don't forget to put a fresh bottle of insect repellent in your field box. The kind with Deet will repel flying biting insects as well as ticks. Light colored clothing and less perfume/cologne will also help. The insects are attracted to dark colors (resembling animal's colors) and carbon dioxide. If you wear white clothes and hold your breath you should do ok. ☺ I found a spray on product for repelling ticks that works for up to two weeks. I am testing it soon and will let you know what it is and where to get it if it works out well.

During the next meeting we should have some discussion about helicopters. I think we should have a hover area to the left of the flying stations near the paved runway. It will be easier to co-ordinate take offs and landings with fixed wings that way. What do you think? I would like your input.

See you at the next meeting,
Nelson Frost

The next meeting is June 13, 2007 at 7pm. This is a Wednesday evening. The meeting place is at the flying field during a short break in instruction.

Just a reminder, the Cub Fly-in is on Sunday (Father's Day) June 17th at the field "All high wing planes are welcome"



2007 Training Night

Training has begun on Wednesday nights it seems to have started out with a lot of sun and not much of a breeze. Our instructors are ready to get new students their full attention so that they will be able to get their wings with in a very reasonable time. So as a new year of training starts this would a great time to thank them for everything they have done, and all they will do for our club.

John Leeman's 10th Birthday party at the field. He wants to thank all who help out it was a great time for all the kids who came. The picture of the helicopter was taken at the air show at Sebago lake fish-n-derby.



Minutes from the May Meeting

The May 2007 meeting of Skystreakers R/C was called to order at 7:00 pm by President, Nelson Frost, with 23 members present.

Dave gave the treasurers report for the club. It was accepted as read.

OLD BUSINESS

It was stated that the road had been damaged by driving on it during the winter and needed repairs. Bruce Morse stated that the road will be fixed for us by Douglas Bowie for free. A motion was passed to get a gift certificate for him. It was brought up that the field may be closed and reopened at certain dates to eliminate the road problem.

NEW BUSINESS

Nelson asked about the progress of the activities committee, but since Dave wasn't at the meeting, there wasn't a report. Materials were brought in from Dave Martin to add to the website to help promote the club.

The training for the club will start May 16th, weather permitting.

John Leeman talked about doing grilling for club events to build monies for the club.

Ray Labonte brought up the fact that the new season usually requires a port-a-potty. It was agreed to let him get it installed at the field.

The Skystreakers will be giving the Prosnappers the same guest pass privileges as last year. Ted McKibben talked about the fact that the Prosnappers Club has their training on Tuesdays.

FUEL RAFFLE

Treasurer Dave and I sold a ton of fuel raffle tickets, even though Ray didn't bring any fuel. We figured all the money we could take in would be good for the club. We were still counting the money when the names got drawn, so I didn't get them. The club thanks you for all the money anyway guys.

Lester Thompson brought an Astro Hog OS70 4 S with Monokote & 21st Century covering.

NOTICE

Next month we start meeting at the field on the Wednesday before the 2nd Thursday.

Respectfully submitted
Mac McLaughlin, Secretary