



AMA Charter #341

SEPTEMBER 2025







An R/C powered paraglider from Concord Skyhawks Club

Thursday, August 7th, 2025 HCRC Business Meeting Notes

No Quorum Present – 9 Members including 4 Executive Members present: Mike Shaw, Gus Coelho, Pat Malone, Bill Ewers, Mark Wasielewski, Shawn Kelsey, Karl Hathaway, Dan Kapinos, and Bill Jaciow



Reading of the minutes from the previous month was waived. Club finances for the month of June and July were reported and approved.

The land parcel across the street has been sold.

The canopy has been replaced.

We are working on fundraising to support the land purchase:

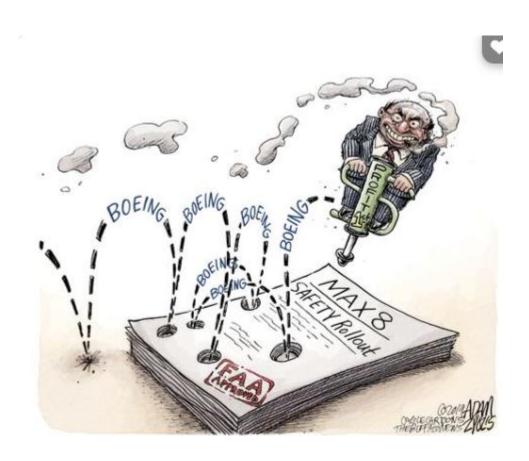
- 1. Go Fund Me Now live! We ask everyone to alert their family and friends and ask them to donate! Mike sent out an email asking everyone to do this. Please feel free to copy and paste the email that he sent in your emails to your friends and family.
- 2. Selling Land Shares We are now selling land shares. Please consider purchasing land shares to support this club initiative. Each share is a \$100 commitment and has a 5-year maturity period.

When the club savings and selling of the land across the street are accounted for, we are well over halfway to our goal. We are asking that everyone purchase a share each month to help fund the land purchase. Please either come to the meetings or mail in your contributions.

Flying News & Events

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **09/02** Neighborhood Fun Fly (unsanctioned), Hosted by RC Propbusters, Salem, CT
- **09/04** Business Meeting at the Flying Field 7pm
- **09/07** Float Fly Hosted by Yankee Flyers of CT., North Grosvenordale, CT.
- **09/13** Night Fly event hosted by East Coast Swamp Flyers, Northfield, CT.
- **09/13 09/14** Warbirds over Ellington, Hosted by HCRCC, Ellington, CT.
- 10/02 Business Meeting at the VFW in Florence, MA, 7pm
- **10/11** Tailgate Swap Meet Hosted by NCRCC, Ellington, CT
- **10/19** Fall Swap Meet, Hosted by East Coast Swamp Flyers, Northfield, CT



ATTENTION ALL HCRC CLUB MEMBERS AND SUPPORTERS

SHARES CERTIFICATE FUNDRAISER PROGRAM

Hello all,

Your club has now opened a shares certificate buying program to raise funds to purchase 5 acres of property next door to our old home on the opposite side of our 2.1 acre (70' strip) on Honey Pot Road. We only have two short years (01/01/2026) to raise the funds needed to purchase this property. These certificates are valued at \$100 per share. They will mature in 60 months to be able to be redeemed at face value on a funds available basis. Please purchase as many as you can reasonably afford. You can acquire these certificates one of two ways. Either bring cash or a check made out to HCRC to a business meeting and hand it to our Treasurer Gus Coelho or mail your check to Gus at 141 Holy Cross Circle, Ludlow, MA. 01056. Your certificate will be available by the next club business meeting or will be mailed out to you. All donations for the property purchase are being deposited into a dedicated bank account in the club's name and will be returned to the donor if the land purchase is unsuccessful. I thank you in advance for supporting this important funding program that will allow our club to continue well into the future.

Thank You,

Management



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GOFUNDME FUNDRAISER PROGRAM

Hello all,

Your club has a secondary fundraising program in place for anyone that may wish to donate to our cause. It is through *GofundMe.com*. The link to our fundraiser page is below. This program is very important to supplement our in-house Shares Program.

<u>SHARING:</u> This GFM program will only be successful by sharing the link below with <u>everyone</u> you know and some that you don't.

Please email this link to any and all people in your phone contact list: friends, family, coworkers, everyone. These are *your* people and will be the ones most interested in helping you/us. You can also text it to anyone you don't have an email address for. Also, share this link with any business and organization. You may have to do this a few times over a period of time to get people/organizations that meant to donate but may have let it "slip through the cracks" the first time. Friends and/or family members may come up to you and hand you cash to donate on their behalf. You can transfer these funds into the fundraiser as an "anonymous" donator as well. Another easy way to share this link is on your personal social media page, if you have one. After you post it, leave yourself a reminder to re-share it to yourself every 2-4 weeks and it will go back to the top of your timeline for all your peeps to see.

Donations have already started to come in but this program will only be truly successful and meet our goal with all of our help to promote it. All donations for the property purchase are being deposited into a dedicated bank account in the club's name and will be returned to the donor if the land purchase is unsuccessful.

Thank You, Management

https://gofund.me/7b63150f





Land Sale has been completed, above goal! We are past the halfway mark!



The picture above shows the proper method of securing the gate. The Hannigans are using this gate to access their property as well. They have the combination to let themselves in. Also, be aware that they drive to the north end of their property by passing right behind the far side of our runway. Be extra cautious when you're flying and this happens. Last one out lock up if they are not there.

Why invite someone to the field to fly? -Inspiration

(From your editor) I just got off the phone with my friend Dan. He and I flew model airplanes (r/c and control line) way back in 1968. He went on to become an Army helicopter pilot (among many other things). He called me to ask about some old engines he had found in his basement. We've known each other since junior high.

I was plowing through information about models for this month's articles and came across this little bit from Guinness World

Records.

WHO

PAUL KAUP, JAKE MINKER, ERIC GORDON, RACHEL STARK, NICK ROSS, DANI DECKERT

WHAT

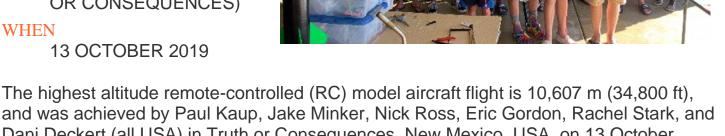
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WHERE

UNITED STATES (TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES)

WHEN

13 OCTOBER 2019



and was achieved by Paul Kaup, Jake Minker, Nick Ross, Eric Gordon, Rachel Stark, and Dani Deckert (all USA) in Truth or Consequences, New Mexico, USA, on 13 October 2019.

This group was a part of StratoJourney, a STEM project for students in 6th through 12th grade. The attempt took place at Spaceport America in New Mexico, USA.

Someone started this group as a STEM program, a modeler. Dan and I never set a record (we did however launch mice to 2,000 feet for a science fair!) but we still bond over the hobby!

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