

President's Message - July, 2020



It's hard to believe that the new diagonal runway has already been open for a little over a month. The completion of this milestone event marks the final step in the long-anticipated changes and upgrades to the field as identified in the club's Long-Range Plan. Accordingly, I am announcing the dissolution of the Long Range Planning Committee at this time. The new runway and related field improvements will stand for many years as a tribute to the dedication, commitment and hard work put in by the members of this committee. The LRPC, chaired by Bruce Ream and supported by members Bill Zimmerman, Chuck Beckey, John Park, Larry Bickel and Tom Elliot has made a lasting impact on the quality and safety of the flying field. On behalf of the Board of Directors and all club members, I would like to thank and congratulate all the LRPC members for a job well done and for their many years of service to the club.

We are working diligently on getting the final runway details and punch list items cleaned up. The contractor will be coming back on site to complete this work soon. For everyone's safety, we will need to close the field for a day or two while this work is being done. We will send out a notice of this closure as far in advance as possible when we receive the work schedule from the contractor. We are optimistic that this work will be completed by early July.

Due to the construction, reseeding, and erosion control measures still in place, the field looks a little "rough" right now, but new grass is already sprouting up in many places. So, PLEASE DO NOT WALK ON THE NEW GRASS ANYWHERE THE STRAW IS LOCATED. Also, the park recommended that we do not mow the area north of the E/W runway that was seeded for a grass runway. They think we will have a better chance of new grass growth if

we let the existing growth seed out towards the end of summer.

The overwhelming majority of members who have commented about runway striping are in favor of doing so. Therefore, we are planning to stripe the runways after the original E/W runway repairs and sealing are complete. Since funding for striping was cut to help balance the 2020 budget, we still need more money to get the striping done. Once again, if you are willing to make a donation, please [Click Here](#).

Member Tom Higgins has stepped up once again. Tom fabricated a beautiful, custom-made bracket and shelving arrangement for the visitor's badge box and the first aid box in the pavilion. It is beautifully engraved and lettered. Also, he mounted a new bulletin board containing our AMA plaque, recognizing Jefco Aeromod'lers RC for being a Gold Leader Club for 25 years. Tom donated the labor and materials to complete this project. Thank You Tom!

Don't forget Tom's custom-made, wooden field stands. These are beautifully done and engraved with the club's name and can be personalized with engraving of your choice. Please support Tom's fund-raising project for the club by ordering one today at hometech20@gmail.com.

Member Rick Gonzales, our new Club Photographer, has already been busy shooting many great photos for the newsletter and website. These include many photos of the multi-plane flyover a couple weeks ago recognizing the first responders and caregivers. Last weekend, Rick captured the action at the Warbirds & Classics Over Denver Fun Fly. Thank you Rick! Nice job!

We are working on new graphics for the field layout and flying patterns which will reflect the changes brought about by the new diagonal runway. Also, the rules will change to accommodate the addition of FPV flying at our field. Thanks for everyone's patience while we take the time necessary to get this done properly, so we only have to do it once.

Housekeeping Reminders:

Please adhere to the approved flying hours posted in the kiosk. Park rules prohibit flying any RC aircraft before 7:00 a.m., and 30 minutes after sundown.

Display your AMA card on your person when flying. It is a club and park requirement.

Please pick up airplane parts and debris, broken props, plastic, balsa etc. from the runway when "you know what" happens. Don't leave it for someone else. Just like camping; You bring it in, you take it out.

June 17, 2020 Jefco Aeromod'lers R/C Club Board of Directors Virtual Meeting Notes

JEFCO AEROMOD'LERS RC CLUB Board of Directors VIRTUAL Meeting Notes Wednesday, June 17, 2020

VIRTUAL MEETING NOTICE: President Bud Glass canceled the usual monthly Board of Directors meeting due to Safer-At-Home COVID-19 orders. Board members exchanged reports via email and those reports have been compiled into this document.

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Club History Book – History books arrived on March 19 and delivery of the books has been delayed due to the statewide Safer-At-Home orders. Most of those who reserved a book have paid. Those who have not will be followed up with again. Distribution of history will be announced soon.

NEW BUSINESS:

July Club Meeting - to comply with the current park rules regarding social distancing, Bud Glass stated that the July meeting will not be possible. However, the Board will continue to monitor the ever-changing rules and requirements.

Lost & Found – Bud Glass suggested that there be a "Lost & Found" tab on the website, as this is the busy season for items to be left behind at the field. Board will discuss further. Terry Hock is looking into the feasibility and will report back to the Board.

Audio Recording of Meetings – Craig Farthing suggested that board and club meetings be electronically audio recorded and archived for more thorough documentation to track when members volunteer to take on various projects. The board discussed pros and cons, but no decision was made.

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT:

Secretary's Report –

- May 20 Board of Directors Meeting – cancelled due to COVID-19 but held as a virtual meeting. Board members submitted emailed reports. The meeting notes were compiled and emailed to the board and published in the May newsletter.
- May 6 Club Meeting - cancelled due to COVID-19. No minutes.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Lora Knowlton presented the financials to date via email to the Board.

- Balance Sheet (as of June 23) reflects all transactions to date – including funds from Paypal transferred into the club checking account. Comparison of last year to date is given to show the club has approx. \$12K more to date than 2019.
- Profit & Loss Statement (as of June 23) –
 - Income
 - membership renewals have picked up

- history book order payments are nearly complete; there are 6 people who still owe
- Expense
 - Minimal maintenance expenses

SAFETY OFFICER'S REPORT: No report from Safety Officer Craig Farthing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership Report –

- Active members to date: 204 (18 Life, 9 Junior, 177 Regular); 2 Pending – for AMA #
- New Members: Welcome! Paul Broyles – Littleton, CO; Dave Damron – Lakewood, CO; Robert Hendrickson – Lakewood, CO; Jason Hillyard – Parker, CO; Michael Kranitz – Littleton, CO; Grant Powell – Highlands Ranch, CO.

EVENTS:

Warbirds & Classics Over Denver - Reimagined – June 12-14, 2020. Contest Director Lora Knowlton reported this year's event was scaled back due to COVID-19 concerns. There was no registration, no fees, no impound, no merchandize. Therefore there was no cost to the club. The scaled back version still yielded a well-attended "fun fly" – honoring and celebrating Warbirds & Classics. There were approx. 30 pilots and about the same number of spectators on Saturday morning. Thank you for coming out and supporting Warbirds & Classics!

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS:

July Business Meeting & BBQ – Wednesday, July 1 at the flying field – cancelled for now, but hope to reschedule in the fall.

History Book Distribution – if you ordered a Club History Book, come by on Wednesday, July 1 from 6-8pm at the flying field to pick up your book. If you would like to purchase one (we have a limited number of extras), contact Bud Glass at iteachu2fly@comcast.net to make sure we still have books available.

PROGRAMS:

July Meeting (July 1) – Canceled

Respectfully Submitted,

Lora Knowlton, Secretary/Treasurer

Welcome New Jefco Aeromod'lers R/C Club Members

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Robert Hendrickson – Lakewood, CO
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President's Message - July, 2020 (Cont)

Put your name on your stuff. A phone number would be helpful too. This will help you retrieve your item, whether lost or left behind at the field.

COVID-19 update: Our flying field is open, but we are required to observe the latest restrictions and guidelines of Colorado Parks & Wildlife. Seating is open in the pavilion, but only to two per table, and everyone must maintain a minimum of 6 feet of separation at all times. Masks are still recommended.

We were hopeful that by July we might have been able to safely hold a club meeting in the pavilion at the field. However, with ever-changing guidelines and rules regarding the COVID-19 crisis, especially when it comes to their restrictions on gatherings at the park and their requirements to follow all social distancing recommendations, we will not be scheduling a club meeting in July at the field or elsewhere.

Club History Book distribution. I will be at the field on Wednesday, July 1, from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. to distribute Club History Books. If you haven't paid for your book yet, please bring a check payable to Jefco Aeromod'lers RC Club. Social Distancing will be mandatory during this time and please wear a mask.



The Jefco Aeromod'lers Learn to Fly banner hanging in the Littleton HobbyTown hobby shop, 7981 S Broadway.



Phil Trujillo on ladder with paint brush in hand chats with Leo Hrdlicka, October 19, 2014



Our thoughts and prayers go out to club members Leo & Bette Hrdlicka. Their son, Leo Brian Hrdlicka, died unexpectedly on June 2 in Albuquerque, New Mexico. He was 51 years old. Services were held on Tuesday, June 23 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Littleton, with burial following at Littleton Cemetery.

Philip "Phil" Trujillo passed away on June 21, 2020 at his home in Littleton, Colorado. He was born in Littleton on August 23, 1938. He served in the United States Marine Corps for 3 years and then returned home where he owned his painting business for 50+ years. Phil is the father of Andy Trujillo whose memorial plaque is mounted on the east end the pavilion at Chatfield. Phil has painted the Pavilion several times, an act of tribute to his son. He also painted the flag pole as needed.

Warbirds & Classics Over Denver photos by Rick Gonzales



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An excerpt of a note from President Glass to Christina Jeffrey, Colorado Skies Academy Board Member:

Good Morning Christina,
 I enjoyed visiting with you this morning and learning more about Colorado Skies Academy and your affiliation with Cherry Creek Schools. Your aviation-oriented middle school is a very interesting concept, and Centennial Airport is a perfect location for your program. On behalf of the Jefco Aeromod'lers RC Club Board of Directors, I can assure you that we would be delighted to pursue further conversations with you regarding formalizing a partnership with with a focus on model aviation training and education for your students. I envision this to be similar to our current partnership with the Avionics STEM Department at Valor Christian High School in Highlands Ranch.

Below from Bud:

Here are some photos of the beautiful shelving Tom Higgins built for mounting the first aid and visitor's badge box, plus mounting the new bulletin board I bought to mount the AMA Gold Leader Club plaque.



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Upcoming General meeting Programs

- **July 1 – Meeting Cancelled**, but there will be an informal History Book Pickup between 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Aerodrome at Chatfield.
- **August 5 – Meeting TBD**, program. TBD.

Newsletter Advertisements

Stay tuned. – Details for how to advertise in the club newsletter and/or on the website coming soon!

Club Website Update:

Terry Hock emailed to say he's added a 2020 Warbirds & Classics photo section under the Gallery tab on the Club's website. Here's the link for the [Warbirds & Classics for 2020](#). Photos by Rick Gonzales.

He would also like to point out the gallery tab of the website which has many of the past events with photos and many videos Bud has created. Here is the link for the [Gallery tab](#).

Front Range RC Flying Events Calendar for 2020 (Ver 2f)

by Mike Cross - Longmont Associated Modelers Association (LAMA) (17 Jun) - AMA on 16 June)

Note 1: This events calendar is very dynamic and being updated frequently, bear with me on changes.

Note 2: Some of these events are not firmed up ---- **verify before you plan to attend.**

Note 3: The events with a **(A)** = are AMA sanctioned events and **(I)** = are IMAC sanctioned events.

These events were gathered from the AMA Web site calendar, club web sites and emails from club officers.

Purple - Newly added event

Send updates to: Hotcross.RCFlyer@gmail.com

Jun 27 - Vern Lake Float Fly		Arvada Associated Modelers
Jun 28 - PPRC 2nd Annual Big Stik and T-28 Invite		Pikes Peak RC Club
Jul 11 -(A) Pluckrose Memorial Fly-In		Mile Hi RC
Jul 11 - LoveAir Fun Fly & Swap Meet		LoveAir - Ault
Jul 12 - Vern Lake Float Fly		Arvada Associated Modelers
Jul 16-19 -(A) LAMA Fest 2020		LAMA
Jul 18 - Jul BBQ & Evening flying	Cancelled	Denver RC Eagles
Jul 18 - (A) Warbirds over Pikes Peak		Pikes Peak RC Club
Jul 25 - Big Bird Fly In		Arvada Associated Modelers
Jul 25 - Vern Lake Float Fly		Arvada Associated Modelers
Aug 1 - Mile Hi RC Fun Fly August		Mile Hi RC
Aug 9 - Vern Lake Float Fly		Arvada Associated Modelers
Aug 14-15 - Colorado Warbirds		LoveAir - Ault
Aug 16 - PPRC Family Day and Swap Meet		Pikes Peak RC Club
Aug 22 - Vern Lake Float Fly		Arvada Associated Modelers
Aug 29 -(A) Aerofest at the Innovation Center, Loveland. St Vrain Valley Schools		
	New date - visit https://www.eventbrite.com/e/aerofest-2020-tickets-99749523510	
Aug 29-30 - (A) LAMA Pattern Challenge		LAMA
Aug 28-30 - (A) Pylon Racing		Jefco Aeromod'lars RC Club
Sep 5 - Mile Hi RC Warbirds	Date changed 18 Sept	Mile Hi RC
Sep 5-6 -(A) Warbirds & Classics over Pueblo		Sky Corral
Sep 6 - Vern Lake Float Fly		Arvada Associated Modelers
Sep 10-13 -(A) 17 th Warbirds over the Rockies	TBD	Arvada Associated Modelers
Sep 18-20 -(A) Warbirds & Classics the High Plains	Mile Hi RC	
Sep 19 - Vern Lake Float Fly		Arvada Associated Modelers
Sep 20 - (A) Jets over Pikes Peak		Pikes Peak RC Club
Sep 26 - September Air Show	Cancelled	Denver RC Eagles
Oct 3 - PPRC Electric Fly-In		Pikes Peak RC Club
Oct 3 - Vern Lake Float Fly		Arvada Associated Modelers
Oct 24 - October Fun fly	Cancelled	Denver RC Eagles

Please send any updates or corrections to me @ Hotcross.RCFlyer@gmail.com

Note: This information was collected by Mike Cross (LAMA) - I encourage you share it with your members and club calendars, but please give me credit for putting it together.

Here is a link to the RMSA 2020 **sailplane** contest schedule <http://rmsadenver.com/Schedule.html>

And the Magnificent Mountain Men (MMM) **Free Flight Club** <http://www.themmmclub.com/>

-----> **Be sure to check the club web sites before going to these events** <-----



PIKES PEAK RC CLUB HOSTS

WARBIRDS OVER PIKES PEAK

0900 AM SATURDAY / 18 JULY 2020
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New Runway finished, what next? photos by Larry Fagan



Now that the new runway is completed, we must turn our attention to filling and sealing cracks in the old runway. Bud is evaluating quotes for the work which was approved at the May BOD virtual meeting.

Jefco Aeromod'lers General Information

July 2020		August 2020		September 2020	
1	Meeting Cancelled, History Book Pickup at Aerodrome	5	Meeting TBD	2	Meeting TBD
15	Board Meeting	19	Board Meeting	16	Board Meeting

Business meetings: First Wed. night of each month. Meetings are called to order at 07:00 P.M, programs to follow, at the Alice Terry Elementary School at 4485 S. Irving Street, Englewood, CO 80110 in Sheridan, Colorado (located approximately 1/4 mile away from the previous middle school location). Board meetings are held the third Wed. night of each month, 6:00 P.M. If you wish to attend, contact President Bud Glass in advance.

*The BOD has approved the **Field Safety & Operations Manual**. All members should review this document in the club's website www.jeffcoeromodlers.com for the latest rules and regulations.*

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