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NEXT MEETING:

DSC Club Meeting/ No Host Slope Soaring Lobster Festival	Sat, 23 September	11 -12 AM	Clark Cove, Low Tide 1:31 PM
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Minutes of 6 August 2000 Meeting

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Secretary Larry Smith reported the club had received no correspondence.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Ken Mac Donald provided the Treasurer's report.

OLD BUSINESS:

2000 EVENTS:

Discussed upcoming events. See events list. Reminded people of upcoming contests, Rick Hallett's F3J contest on 14 Oct. All members are requested to attend even if you don't fly. People to help hand tow are needed and appreciated. Ken Mac Donald's HLG contest is on 10 Sept. Jeff Carr mentioned that he bought a HLG wing to build a plane just for this event. Larry Smith mentioned that the winner of the HL event at the NATS this year perfected a side arm launch. Tim mentioned he was working on a stick to launch HLGs. Unveiling will be soon.

DSC Glider and Electric Anything FUN Fly is on Sat, 26 August. Please note that you can change planes for each event if you like. Match one of your planes to the event. People like to see different planes perform. Jim said he sent out over 50 letters to vendors requesting prizes. His letter mentioned items received may be used for Fun Fly or a Digital Camera Fun Raiser Raffle. To date Jim had received an Avro Vulcan from Aerofoam, a Zagi from Trick R/C, a Dremel Tool a Balsa USA scrapper and various certificates. Anchor Bond has pledged to donate C/A and Epoxy. Jim proposed that the big items should be put in the Digital Camera Fun Raiser Raffle. Club members agreed. Jim will decide where to make the logical break for where items go. (Pres. Note: Additional big items have been received. This should be a great fun raiser) Jim asked Club members that are on e-mail to personally contact vendors/hobby shops they have dealt with for donations. Jim thanked Larry Smith, Jeff Carr and Forrest Sumner who let him know that they personally contacted vendors.

----- Original Message ----- **From:** [James Armstrong](#)

To: [AL Strout](#) ; [aaron Ashcraft](#) ; [Alfred Inman](#) ; [Arthur Aube'](#) ; [Brad Danse](#) ; [Buxton Robert](#) ; [Clark Bowlen](#) ; [Dave Garwood](#) ; [Dennis Karoleski](#) ; [Dennis Phelan](#) ; [Don Black](#) ; [Forrest Sumner](#) ; [Frederic Howe](#) ; [Hallett, Rick](#) ; [Jeff Carr](#) ; [Lawrence Smith](#) ; [Mike Farnsworth](#) ; [Pete Young](#) ; [Peter Eliot](#) ; [Phillip Culver](#) ; [Robert N. Constable](#) ; [Roger Carigan](#) ; [Rondeau, Bob](#) ; [Sandy Schmidt](#) ; [Steve Savoie](#) ; [Tim Acord](#) ; [Tom Kutes](#) ; [Willard Teomney](#)

Sent: Sunday, July 16, 2000 3:39 PM

Subject: Glider and Electric Anything Fun Fly

Open letter to DSC members:

I will be sending out 50 letters that request donations for our upcoming AMA sanctioned Glider and Electric anything Fun Fly or an "End of Summer raffle prize" to help the Club purchase a better digital camera. What I have found is that letters are effective but personnel contact is better. Because of this I am asking Club members to contact vendors and hobby shops that they have a relationship with or

have done business with. Please make contact with them, as soon as possible and let me know how you made out. All prizes should be sent to my address listed below for consolidation:

AUG. 26 -- Topsham, ME (C) DownEast Soaring Club Glider and Electric Anything Fun Fly. Site: Brunswick Area Modelers Flying Field Topsham. James Armstrong III CD, 292 Foreside Road Topsham, ME 04086 PH: 207-725-5758. Landing Fee: \$15 includes continental breakfast, lunch, and prizes. Sponsor: DownEast Soaring Club

Good Luck!

Warmest regards,

Jim

Tickets will be \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. You do not have to be present to win. Jim plans on sending announcements of the fund-raiser to all known New England Glider enthusiasts. Discussed what to name the raffle. Larry came up with "First Annual Fall Fund-raiser". Everyone liked the suggestion. Drawing will be at the November Club meeting. See upcoming events.



BAM (BRUNSWICK AREA MODELERS) GLIDER NIGHT:

When Club members fly at the BAM field on Wed. Glider night a lot of guests stop by and would like to try flying but can't because they have AMA. Jim suggested that DSC register 2 people with AMA to be "Intro Pilot Instructors." Cost is \$5 each. Jim and Tim volunteered as they show up almost every Wed night.

Membership approved. Jim will send in the paperwork.

Jim's note: Recently read the following Quote, which seems to apply. "Joys divided are increased" Josiah Gilbert Holland.

CLUB GROWTH:

Larry Smith mentioned Brian Lawrence, a newcomer to RC, is joining the Club. He provided the following e-mail: ----- Original Message -----

From: "the evil one" <monkey@maine.rr.com>

Date: Thu, 03 Aug 2000 10:08:25 -0400

Hi Larry,

Guess what I finished my glider! I can't believe it. It's about time, huh? I am however having a balance issue.

Even with every thing built according to plan, it is tail heavy. I wished I didn't glue the servo trays in place.

Looks like I'll have to add weight. Got the wing balanced perfectly. So, unfortunately, I am not able to make the Sunday meet at Clarks Cove. I would like to find a time when you or someone from the club can check over my glider and then give a lesson. I sent in my app. for both the AMA and DSC. Next weekend I am free or even during the week.

Thanks

Brian

WEB PAGE:

Members mentioned that they liked the new design of the Club Web Page much better. Tim said he liked the ability to blow up the pictures that were in Adobe version of the newsletter. Try it! You may like it. Tim said his daughter was thrilled when she saw her picture in the newsletter. Tim hasn't been able to get his newsletter back since.

CLUB CAMERA:

Jim asked everyone again to practice taking pictures with the Club's digital camera. On the slope Larry and Tim captured some great pictures.

BUNGEE LAUNCH:

Tim wanted to make sure that everyone knew that Zagis could be launched on the zip launchers. He is going to make some more launchers.



NEW BUSINESS:

DIGITAL NEWSLETTER:

Jim asked people that have access to viewing (Home/work) the Club newsletter on the Web Site to determine if they could live with it in digital vice paper form. Jim mentioned that he used to send out over 70 copies of the newsletter every month. Because of all the time, copying, assembly, mailing cost etc he had to cut back. He would carry members that didn't renew membership for over 6 months in hopes that they would re-join.

NERCSC (NEW ENGLAND R/C SOARING CONVENTION 2001?????)

Owl's Head Transportation Museum had asked Jim if the Club wanted to have the next convention there. At a Wed. night BAM glider night Jeff told Jim he was going to Owl's Head to his favorite plane fly. He asked if Jeff could meet with the people and look at the facilities. Jeff did and was able to take some video of the facilities. After the meeting several club members reviewed the video. Jeff made a verbal report of what he saw. He was asked if he could put it in an e-mail for the newsletter. Special Thank You to Jeff for taking time out of his visit to make a video and meet with the representative of Owl's Head Transportation Museum. Here is Jeff's e-mail:

----- Original Message ----- From: <JSCARR4@aol.com> To: <jamesIII@blazenetme.net> Sent: Sunday, August 06, 2000 8:50 PM
Subject: Owls Head; Jim

This is to let you know the outcome of the visit to Owls Head for a potential location of the soaring symposium. I found that they would really like to host this event. They have plenty of room for both vendors and speaking engagements. The space has a Screen (Movie Projector type) that can be used along with Computer interfacing to project whatever is being discussed onto the screen. It is very modern. The conference area is used as part of the museum but is all movable. In my opinion there was plenty of room to accommodate us. More space than I think we could use. As I said this is the kind of event they want to host. I hope this helps. I took video of this place if anyone would like to see it. Talk to you later
Jeff

----- Original Message ----- From: "Susan Rowling" <srowling@ohtm.org> To: <jscarr4@aol.com> Cc: <jamesIII@blazenetme.net>
Sent: Saturday, August 12, 2000 10:13 AM

I am following up on my email response to Mr. Armstrong (I believe) regarding the use of the Owls Head Transportation Museum's facility for the Soaring Convention's 2001 meeting.

I had not heard back and wanted to be sure you had a telephone number where you can contact me: (207) 594-4418. This email business tends to leave me not quite sure if the message arrived in tact.

Please feel free to call me anytime here at the Museum. We very much look forward to have the Soaring Convention come together at Owls Head in our beautiful new exhibition wing or auditorium. Thank you. Susan Rowling, Administrative Assistant

Larry Smith mentioned that the Club might be able to get some funding from the Radio Control Hobby Association.

CLUB TRAILER:

Jim asked for permission to use the Club's trailer to bring his golf cart back & forth from NH. Club members said it was OK. He will have to have a \$200 trailer hitch installed on his Van in order to pull the trailer. The side benefit of this is that he would then be able to tow the Club winch/retriever.

Aileron Zone: (Jim Armstrong)

Digital Camera: Would like to establish a Committee to determine which digital camera to buy. This will determine how much we have to raise. Need a minimum of 3 volunteers. Please let me know if you can help out.

Soaring Lobster Festival: I had a fabulous time at the meeting/slope event. The lobster was out of this world and the steamed clams were exquisite. They must steam them in seawater, as they are the best I have ever had. Didn't even have to use any butter. Make my mouth water just thinking of it. Tim and Larry kept on me to keep the meeting short because they wanted to do some slope combat. These guys are vicious. Did get a little rash from the Brown Tail Moths. Once we have a freeze (Yuck) we should get a work party together to cut and burn (or drown) the caterpillar nest. I like this method rather than using chemicals. Here is what Larry had to say.

From: "Larry Smith" <soarlarry@mail.ttlc.net>
To: "James Armstrong" <jamesiii@blazenetme.net>; "Jeff Carr" <JSCARR4@aol.com>; "Rick Hallet" <happl@mint.net>; "Tim Acord" <cacord@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 08, 2000 8:29 AM
Subject: a day on the slope

Hi Guys

A day on the slope with my Zagi.
Sunday Aug. 6, 2000

1. one broken servo arm.
2. one ripped winglet.
3. one case of caterpillar rash.
4. One of the most Awesome days on the slope with the glider guiders from Maine.

Larry (You should of been here today Rick!)
Smith -----Message End -----



Club trailer: Would like to thank the Club for allowing me to use the Club trailer. It helped me sell the idea of spending \$200 to install a tow hitch on my Van to my wife (grin).

DIGITAL NEWSLETTER:

I will be sending Mike an adobe copy of the newsletters to post on the Member Only section of the newsletter. I will be asking Club members that have e-mail access to look at it and determine if they NEED a hard copy. If they do, then they will need to send me an e-mail telling me so. That way I'll know how many to copy, staple, fold, label, get stamps for, stamp, and mail. If I do not hear from them I will assume digital is fine and not mail them one.

First Annual Fall (Digital Camera) Fund Raiser

Raffle: To date I have received four planes, Transmitter tray, shirts, cups, RC towel, Deluxe Knife set, retracts, and a Transmitter Tray for our "First Annual Fall (Digital Camera) fund-raiser". Don't miss out. Make your donations early.

Happy Flying,
Jim

Slope Soaring Lobster Festival 6 August 2000



Tim Accord with his new "Noseeum" from Aerofoam.



DSC Event Schedule

DSC GLIDER AND ELECTRIC ANYTHING FUN FLY <i>CD Jim Armstrong</i> 207-725-5758	Sat, 26 August	8-10 Breakfast & open flying; 10 Am Pilot's Meeting	AMA Sanctioned Fun Fly Brunswick Area Modelers' Flying Field, Topsham, ME
HLG Contest CD Ken Mac Donald 207-443-3585	Sun, 10 September	10 AM Pilots' Meeting	AMA Sanctioned Contest Hemond Airport, Minot Maine 2 events, one using modified Hi-starts
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No Host Pizza/Sub Soaring Festival	Sat, 7 October	11:30 AM	Clark Cove, Low Tide 1:25 PM
No Host Pizza/Sub Soaring Festival	Sat, 21 October	11:30 AM	Clark Cove, Low Tide 12:14 PM
DSC Club Meeting/ No Host Pizza/Sub Soaring Festival	Sun, 22 October	11 –12 AM	Clark Cove, Low Tide 1:26 PM
F3J Contest CD Rick Hallett 207-487-3058	Sat, 14 October	10:00 Am Pilots' Meeting	AMA Sanctioned Contest Hemond Airport, Minot Maine
November Club Meeting & "First Annual Fall (Digital Camera) Fund-Raiser".	Sat, 11 November	9:00 Coffee, Bagels, Muffins 9:30 Show & Tell 10 AM Business Meeting	Note #3 Bookland's coffee shop conference room @ Cook's Corner Shopping Center (beside staples), Brunswick, ME.

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