

Summer 2026 Glitch Busters

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Welcome to the Late Summer Edition of the Delaware RC Newsletter. If you have any suggestion or would like to supply content for future editions please contact Ron Becker.

Coming Events -

Pond Fest – Saturday October 10
Annual Fall Picnic – Sunday October 18 10 am - ??
Fall Meeting – Sunday October 18 Noon
Annual Swap Meet - Saturday Nov 7



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Delaware R/C Club - Minutes of the General Membership Meeting May 2, 2026

The Spring 2026 General Membership was held at the Flying Field on Saturday May 2, 2026. President Fred Butts called the meeting to order at 12:02PM.

Club Opening Day event to be held on Sunday May 17, 2026 was discussed. Event Chair Rick Rongo discussed event plans. Rick requests those interested in attending please RSVP by May 11.

President Fred Butts gave an update on the fabric runway which was installed by Club Members on April 11th.

Fred reminded members to be sure to secure the field, close and lock the gate on exiting if you are the last one at the field.

.Wayne Marston reported on the current Field and grass status.

Treasurer Mike McCoy reported on the Club's current financial status.

Field setup for Warbirds Over Delaware 2026 will be held on Sunday July 5th starting at 9AM.

Wayne Marston reported the upcoming Massy Fly-In on Saturday May 9th. Wayne Marston made a motion to purchase 4 rolls (3 white and 1 black) of Enternal Bond 4" tape for the any repairs and centerline of the fabric runway. The motion was seconded and passed with member vote.

Dave Moyer discussed the Friends of Lums Pond 'Pond Fest' coming up in October. The Club will have a R/C Model Airplane static display and small electric flight demonstrations. AMA sanctions pending.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:25PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Pasternak, Secretary

Delaware R/C Club - Minutes of the General Membership Meeting

August 23, 2026

The Mid-Summer General Membership Meeting of the Delaware R/C Club was held at the Flying Site on Sunday August 23, 2026. Vice-President Dave Moyer called the meeting to order at 1:00PM.

Guest Jim Scanlon introduced himself and expressed his interest in model aviation and joining the Club. *Welcome Jim!*

Show & Tell – Paul Bryk presented an AtomRC

Penguin/fpv electric plane.

<https://atomrc.com/products/atomrc-penguin-twin-motor-fpv-rc-airplane-fixed-wing> Paul described the build which was somewhat complicated due to poor instructions. The aircraft comes with two canopies, one normal and one for FPV camera.

Old Business – With recent member interest, Dave Moyer discussed the plans to move the solar charging station either to the pavilion or closer to the pit area. This will be scheduled for some time in the Fall.



New Business – Friends of Lums Pond will be hosting 'Pond Fest 2026 (<https://friendsoflumspond.org/pondfest>) on Saturday October 10, 2026 in Area 1 of the Park with the entrance at the Park Main Entrance off of Howell School Road. The Delaware R/C Club will have static R/C Model displays and will have small electric plane demonstrations in the athletic field.

The Club Annual Picnic will be held Saturday, October 18, 2026, 10:00 AM–2:00 PM at the Flying Field. The Club will provide hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks. Feel free to bring your favorite covered dish to share!

Gregg Schock discussed the upcoming **Annual Swap** meet to be held Saturday November 7, 2026 at Cranston Heights Fire Company (3306 Kirkwood Highway, Wilmington, DE 19808) which is a new location.

Table rent \$20 includes vendor admission. Pay for your table(s) at check in. Vendor setup 7:00 AM. General public 8:00 AM. Admission \$10.00, under 18 free. For Table Reservations, email info@delawarerc.org with total number of tables requested. All tables are rectangular.

Gregg Schock mentioned an upcoming **Pine Car Classic competition** coming up this Fall sponsored by Woodcraft of Wilmington (<https://www.woodcraft.com/pages/store/wilmington>). See attached flyer on page 13.

Dave Moyer discussed the Flying Field grass maintenance and made a motion to pre-purchase weed killer for the next season. The motion was seconded and passed with member vote.

The Club is in need of a volunteer for Club Secretary as Brian Pasternak will be stepping down in the Fall. Nominations are now open and election will be held at our Fall meeting. If you would like to assist and run for Club Secretary please notify a Board member prior to the Fall meeting (Date to be announced shortly)

The meeting was adjourned at 1:29PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Pasternak, Secretary

4 Questions for Members

Each Newsletter I ask a club member to answer 4 questions about RC flying. The questions are:

Four Questions

- 1) Can you tell us a bit about how you became interested in Model Aviation?*
- 2) What are some of your favorite Model aircraft that you have owned or flown over the years?*
- 3) As you look back, what do you feel are some of the more influential technology changes to the hobby?*
- 4) What advice would you offer to new or novice pilots looking for advice in model aviation?*

This issue I asked two members to do this.

- Dave Malcione Jr since he is one of the younger long time members of the club with a long family heritage related to Delaware RC.
- Mike McCoy our current Treasurer and Membership Chairperson.

Both of them gracefully accepted the proposition. I hope you enjoy their content.

Dave Malcione Jr.

1. Where my interest in model aviation started?

It started at about age 4. I spent every Saturday and Sunday at the flying field with my Grandfather, Dad and Uncle. I think I started off sitting in my Dad's lap, then I graduated to sitting in a lawn chair(solo). I can remember my Uncle paying me a dollar for every good landing, WHICH I THINK WE SHOULD BRING THAT BACK, WITH INFLATION OF COURSE. I have been surrounded by RC and full scale all 43 years of my life. Family vacations mostly based around airplane events. Trips to Florida and Disney (Florida jets/Top gun) Virginia Beach (jet fly) NYC (wram show) Cape May(fun fly). I wouldn't trade it for anything! The people we got to meet and the fun we had on road trips were the best. In the past couple years watching my own son pick up a transmitter and learn to fly has made me super proud Dad and brought it full circle.



2. Favorite models? There are so many it is hard to choose.....

- Midwest T-6 Texan –My first warbird and flew in many Warbirds over Delaware
- 40% Carden Cap- best all around flying airplane
- BVM F-4 Phantom – a lot of memories from Top gun competitions and one of the strongest/well designed planes I have ever seen. If you have never heard a twin ducted fan go find a youtube video because you are missing out. If I had to pick only one it's the BVM Ultra Bandit, it's a great flying jet. No gyros needed for smooth, straight, solid maneuvers. I have flown a lot of jets and they all fall short to this plane.

3. Influential technology changes?

I have been in this long enough to see 80" airplanes go from enormous to looking like park flyers. 2.4 spread spectrum made all the crashing excuses disappear. I have seen underpowered ducted fan jets turn into overpowered, with true mini turbine engines. But the gyro systems just keep getting better and better. It's amazing to see how technology can change our hobby and it will keep getting better.

4. Advice for novice? Everybody crashes, if they say they don't, they lie!

Its hard but you have to learn from it and move on- Some planes just take longer to get over. Its a hobby, keep it fun and enjoy it!

Mike McCoy (Mack)

I first got interested in aviation with my Father at the age of 12, he was a pilot and spent many hours flying with him that is where the love of aviation all started, as well as building my first RC airplane I learned how to fly at Delaware RC in early 2005.

My favorite airplane is the Extra 300. even though I fly a variety of airplanes. The technology has changed for the better, it seems like electric has taken over. Electric Power is very clean and the amount of power from the electrics is remarkable, as well as the 2.4 Mhz transmitters. I still fly Nitro, I enjoy the sounds and feel of this power source, I have also added some larger gassers into my hanger.

My advice to new or interested Pilots is to come to the field and talk to some Pilots, There are many options to learn to fly without even needed to buy an airplane, our club offers assistance in learning. One of my favorite things about our club is all the help that's available to all Pilots, new and old

In closing RC flying is an outstanding hobby something I plan on doing for many years to come, I have met some great people there and developed some close friendships there.

Thanks Mike McCoy



Delaware RC Lifetime Achievement Award

The Delaware R/C Club is proud to award our Club's Lifetime Achievement Awards to Greg Schock, Dave Moyer, and Wayne Marston for their many years of support to our Club.

Greg Schock and Dave Moyer both have been Board members for many years, working with Lums Pond State Park and the Delaware State Division of Parks and Recreation and our many outside service providers to assure our Club's day-to-day operations and events run smoothly, as well as performing equipment and field maintenance.

Wayne Marston has supervised our field maintenance for many years and organizes our field maintenance crews and performs 'heavy' work, as needed. Thanks to these hard working volunteers for their many years of service!



Greg Schock

Dave Moyer

Wayne Marston

Warbirds Over Delaware

Pete Malcione

Warbirds over Delaware and Classics 2026 was another success. We had 92 pilot registrations. This year we had great weather and calm winds with several comments on how smooth the runway was and how the flying field was maintained.

Special thanks to Horizon Hobby, our major sponsor for over 30 years, for several donations that allowed the club to our best raffle ever!. We can't thank them enough.

Over 200 aircraft were in attendance. Thanks to everyone who helped out with the event. The rolling of the field and the dumpster, have been offered to our club over the last couple of years by two members of the club. Thank you Paul and Tord for your generosity! Dan Davidson (Blackbird Finishes) has donated a prize over the last 10 years created another masterpiece for the raffle. Thank you Dan !

Stay tuned for changes for next year. Pete and I have been running this event since ~1996, the club should consider more than one event a year, it would be great for the club and the park. A new addition of getting our word out about club and our hobby was a great addition to this year's event, Thank you we need more of this! \

Once again a **BIG THANK YOU** to all involved with the field and the event for your hard work and dedication, it would be nearly impossible to have a successful event with everyone's help.

A few photos from the event are included here but if you want to see more make sure to follow the links from Sam Winder and Bob Gilley included here.

<https://www.smugmug.com/gallery/n-JKLkmT> (Sam's Photos)

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/bobgilley/albums/72177720334585645/> Bob's Photos



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DELAWARE R/C CLUB ANNUAL SWAP MEET

Saturday November 7, 2026

8:00AM to 1:00PM

NEW LOCATION

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Check the website www.delawarerc.org for updates and information.



Pine Car Classic Build & Race "RACE DAY"

Saturday, November 21, 2026, 1 PM - 4 PM

Join us at the Woodcraft of Wilmington store for our Pine Car Classic! This event is run by volunteers and is made possible through their time and dedication. Build, customize, and race your very own pine car in a fun event for all ages. Event Details: Pine Car Kit: \$10.00 (Cash Only in Store) Kits must be purchased prior to the event in order to build and shape your pine car.

Participants can build and decorate their cars, then compete in the Pine Car Classic race. Whether you're a first-time builder or a seasoned racer, everyone is welcome! Bring your creativity and enjoy a day of woodworking, friendly competition, and family fun.



Useful Links

Club Website: <http://delawarerc.org>

Academy of Model Aeronautics: <http://www.modelaircraft.org>

AMA National Model Aircraft Safety Code

<http://www.modelaircraft.org/files/105.pdf>

AMA Media Room:

<http://www.modelaircraft.org/aboutama/mediaroom.aspx/>

FAA Registration: <https://faadronezone.faa.gov/#/>

FAA TRUST Test: <https://www.modelaircraft.org/trust>

FAA NOTAMS/TFRs :

<http://www.modelaircraft.org/membership/clubs/notams.aspx>

Aloft Air Aware Mobile App: <https://www.aloft.ai/air-aware>

Air Aware by Aloft Desktop App Current Flight Status of our Flying Field: <https://tinyurl.com/yw3hy3v2>

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