

The Jefco Flyer

Jefco Aeromod'lers Newsletter

AMA Club #176

October 2023



CAP cadets raising the Colors at the Champs Pylon Race, September 9, 2023. Photo by **Bud Glass**

October's Program: **Bud Glass** will present "Making your out-of-the-box "ready to fly" model airworthy."

The October 3, 2023 Club Business meeting will be held at the Waterstone Community Church.

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President's Message October 2023- Bud Glass

As we head into fall and the days are getting shorter, we held the final Solstice Fly Night for the season on September 21st. Solstice Fly Night is one of several events we host every year as a part of our outreach into the community to showcase the hobby and Jefco Aeromod'lers. This is the second time this summer we have held this very popular event. At this event, over a dozen Shea Homes residents, including some kids and pets, joined **Eddie Teel** and myself at the airfield to try their hand at flying. I provided two of my trainers and all the peripheral equipment, and **Eddie** helped with the flight instruction. Thank you, **Eddie**! Everyone involved loved the experience and had a ball. In addition to being a fun and exciting evening for our neighbors, it was an educational experience as well. Everyone had the opportunity to experience firsthand what goes on at the airfield directly from the flightline. With the help of an instructor eight of our guests took to the controls and flew a trainer for several minutes. One of the Solstice residents has become so enthused that he attended my RC Ground School and Safety Class, joined the AMA, purchased his own model airplane and is now taking flight instruction. He plans to join the club soon. Other Solstice residents have signed up for future Ground School classes and flight instruction. The bottom line is that this community outreach program is a win-win. It is good for the club and good for our relationship with our Solstice Community neighbors.



Club News

FRIA Application Update: The original denial of our FRIA exemption for the Chatfield location was based on the east boundary of the designated flying field being located where it permitted air traffic above the park entry road. An appeal was filed with the FAA stating that this condition has been in existence for 48 years without any problems, that by rule, overflight of the road had to be at a minimum of 100 ft. AG, and that the road in question was not a major thoroughfare, but simply an access road in and out of the park. A seasonally-adjusted estimate of the daily vehicle count using the road was also provided. That appeal was also denied for the same reason as the original denial. At this point, a Club Services Representative with the AMA is helping us construct a compromise plan to hopefully obtain FRIA approval, which may result in moving the east airfield boundary to the west side of the park entry road. Doing so will eliminate the basis of the FAA's denial.

Bud Glass

Club Members Contact List The Club Members Contact List is live on our website. 59 members have now signed up. Get your name on the Members Contact List now! Be aware, this is NOT the official club roster. You can access the input form via the home page or by [clicking here](#). Once you enter your contact information on the form, a complete updated list of participants will be emailed to all those on the list. The list will be updated each month when there are additions or withdrawals from the list. This listing is not available to anyone who is not on the list, and you can remove your name and contact information at any time. This is another example of where your Board of Directors listens to your suggestions and implements them when they are reasonable and appropriate.

Sign up- - stay in touch.

Club News

Park Operating Agreement As of the writing of this update, we are still waiting on a reply from the park regarding the final draft. While the current Park Operating Agreement has expired, the park placed this in what they call "Hold-Over-Status".

Ideas and Suggestions Welcome Your Board of Directors listens to member's suggestions, ideas, recommendations and yes, complaints. We want your feedback about what's going on or what you would like to see in the club. If you have anything on your mind, please let us know [here](#).

Club Jackets Reminder: You can still get yours. Go to US Recognition, 3235 S. Wadsworth Blvd, Lakewood, CO 80227, 303-988-4127. They will take individual orders for the Jefco Aeromod'lers official club jacket. **Stacey** is the owner and will handle your order.

Club Safety Officer by President Bud Glass For the past 2 years I have been Acting Safety Officer, and there has been no Safety Committee as required by the Bylaws. In order to restore a formal safety environment at the airfield, I am assuming the position of AMA Safety Officer and will run for that position in the upcoming election. Additionally I have formed a Safety Committee. The Safety Committee volunteers will be referred to as the Jefco Aeromod'lers Safety Team. Headed up by Chair **Tom "Steady" Higgins**, the Safety Team will consist of volunteers **Doug Martel, Robb Hartzog, Robert Sikiyan, Michael Kranitz, Geoff Wasteney, Doug Beacom, Jamie Allen and Paul Broyles**. Each team member has been provided with a Safety Team ID badge to identify them while volunteering their time to help restore safety rule compliance at the airfield. This giant step to help improve safety at the airfield would not have been possible without the leadership role taken on by **Steady Higgins**. I sincerely thank **Steady** and every member of this safety team for stepping up and volunteering to help with this much needed safety program enhancement.

Club Member Volunteer List Are you ready to help your fellow pilots with club projects to help maintain and improve the field. There is now an online registration form to be completed. If you would like to have your name on the list that will be shared with other volunteers please sign up below. Your information will be shared via email with the Club Board and all other volunteers to help coordinate activities. [Join Jefco Aeromod'lers Volunteers](#)
You can also remove your name from the list if in the future your situation changes.

Newsletter and Website Advertising The club is still looking for one or two members who would be willing to volunteer an hour or two a month, to help coordinate and secure newsletter advertising. All that would be required is to contact local businesses and offer them the opportunity to advertise on our website and in our newsletter for a modest fee. This can be done from your easy chair at home requiring only a telephone and a notepad. If you would be willing to volunteer a couple of hours per month of your time to help the club with this **important fund-raising project**, please let us know.

RC Car Track Update Suggested RC Car Racetrack start-up rules were submitted to the park for approval on April 26th, 2023. To date we have not received a reply.



Support the Jefco Aeromod'lers RC Club, Donor Brick Program. In 2011, the Jefco Aeromod'lers created a donor brick program to help raise funds for the club while adding a valued component to the new field info kiosk area. Approximately 60 bricks were engraved and installed. In 2015, more bricks were added to fill in some existing blank bricks. The Kiosk area looks great! Due to renewed interest, we have launched Phase III for the brick program! The first order of bricks has arrived and will be installed soon. [Follow this link to the Donor Brick Program web page.](#)

Your donation will support future field improvements.

Business and BOD Meeting Minutes

For October, we will meet in room **211-E** at the **Waterstone Community Church, 5890 S Alkire St, Littleton, CO 80127**. The Board of Directors meet virtually.

[Read the August 16, 2023 Jefco Aeromod'lers R/C Club Board of Directors Meeting Minutes](#)

[Read the September 5, 2023 Jefco Aeromodelers R/C Club General Business Meeting Minutes](#)

Safety Corner - Bud Glass

Last month there was an incident involving a non-member who hand-launched a model from the E/W pilots' box directly in front of another pilot who was flying an EDF jet, causing him to lose sight of his plane, promptly resulting in a crash. To avoid this situation in the future, we have designated a 10 ft. area for hand-launching only at the easternmost end of the E/W pilots' box. This new hand-launch area is identified with yellow outline striping and lettering stating "Hand Launch Here Only".



Welcome New Jefco Aeromod'lers RC Club Members



Jim Griffin - Littleton, CO

Tony Marcianelli - Littleton, CO



Election for the 2024
Board of Directors

VOTE!

will be held
November 7, 2023

Mischievous Magpies (Photos by Terry Hock and Larry Fagan)



September 10: **Terry Hock** and I noticed a magpie dropping something into the weather station and taking it back out over and over. Apparently that attracted another magpie who kept swooping in evidently assuming it was something to eat and he wanted it. This went on for several minutes. - Ed

FAA Extends Remote ID Enforcement Date Six Months

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FAA Extends Remote ID Enforcement Date Six Months

Wednesday, September 13, 2023

Drone pilots who are unable to comply with the broadcast requirement of the [Remote ID Rule](#), will [Now have until March 16, 2024](#) to equip their aircraft. After that date, operators could face fines and suspension or revocation of pilot certificates.

In making this decision, the FAA recognizes the unanticipated issues that some operators are experiencing finding some remote identification broadcast modules.

Drone pilots can meet this deadline by purchasing a standard Remote ID equipped drone from a manufacturer or purchasing a Remote ID broadcast module which can be affixed to existing drones that do not have Remote ID equipment.

Remote ID acts like a digital license plate and will help the FAA, law enforcement, and other federal agencies find the control station when a drone appears to be flying in an unsafe manner or where it is not allowed to fly.

Learn more [Here](#)

Solstice Night, September 21, 2023 (Photos by Larry Fagan)

Left, **Eddie Teel** and **Bud Glass** are giving prospective pilots some last minute instructions about tonight's flights. Right, there was a very good turn out. A couple of families came just to observe the activities.



Monday, September 18, Warren Tech South Aeronautics Class (Photo by Bud Glass)



President **Bud Glass** is instructing the Model Aviation Class at Warren Tech South Aviation School for the second year. Last year Bud was invited to join the Warren Tech Advisory Committee where he assists with planning teaching programs and activities for the students. .

September 5, 2023 General Meeting Photos (Photos by Danny Erwin)

Right, **Paul Broyles** suggested that the engine run-up stand which at its old location generated a lot of noise during its operation which could annoy residents of Shea Homes, especially if the wind is from the north. He suggested that we move the stand to the north end of the shed and storage yard area, shielding the homeowners from the noise of engines continuously running during a break-in. Bud wanted to personally thank Paul for his idea and to underscore the fact that the BOD is open to new ideas. Bud brought an engraved (Captain Paul Broyles Engine Run-up Stand) brass plate to be placed at the location to commemorate the implementation of a great idea. Door prize winners:



Above, far right, **Hal Hockett** (Milwaukee screwdriver set). Below, l - r, **Eddie Teel** (Husky retractable utility knife) and **Justin Morgan** (Husky 7-piece nut driver set). Drawing winner **Roger Lovett** (Night Timber X).



Proposed Bylaws Changes Presented at the September 5, 2023 General Meeting

ARTICLE THREE - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 3 - OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

A. PRESIDENT: The President shall:

6. Arrange for a meeting place for the monthly Board of Directors meeting.

This adds this previously unaddressed duty to the president's duties.

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E. SAFETY OFFICER: The Safety Officer shall:

4. Safety Officer shall educate members about safety concerns at the flying field on a regular and on-going basis, including providing a monthly safety article in the club newsletter and on the club website.

Since all newsletters are posted on the website this sounds redundant. We have not been posting the Safety Article separately as far as I can ascertain.

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SECTION 3 - REGULAR MEETINGS

...the interest of encouraging attendance. Attendance is restricted to active club members. The club reserves the right to restrict attendance as directed by the Board of Directors.

To carry this to the extreme, if we followed this rule we would not be allowed to have outside presenters, such as Kris Wahlers from the Park. The next sentence should suffice for limiting attendance.

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ARTICLE SEVEN - COMMITTEES

SECTION 1 - REGULAR COMMITTEES

...Nominees shall have been an Active voting member for a minimum of two years to be eligible.

This is in response to Bud Glass' email concerning attracting viable candidates. I think the nominations committee would address Josh Waltz' concerns by being tasked with vetting proposed candidates.

ARTICLE SEVEN - COMMITTEES

SECTION 1 - REGULAR COMMITTEES

...Nominees shall have been an Active voting member for a minimum of **one year** to be eligible. ...

The left hand column shows the existing language in the current bylaws by Article and Section. Below that is a blue text box which explains the reason for the suggested change. The right column shows the suggested change highlighted in **yellow**. These changes will be voted on at the October 3, 2023 general meeting.

2023 Jefco Aeromod'lers Calendar

Date	Event	Information
October 3, 2023	Club Meeting	Waterstone Community Church, nominations for the BOD, proposed bylaws vote.
October 18, 2023	Board of Directors Meeting	Virtual
November 7, 2023	Club Meeting	Waterstone Community Church, BOD elections
November 15, 2023	Board of Directors Meeting	TBA

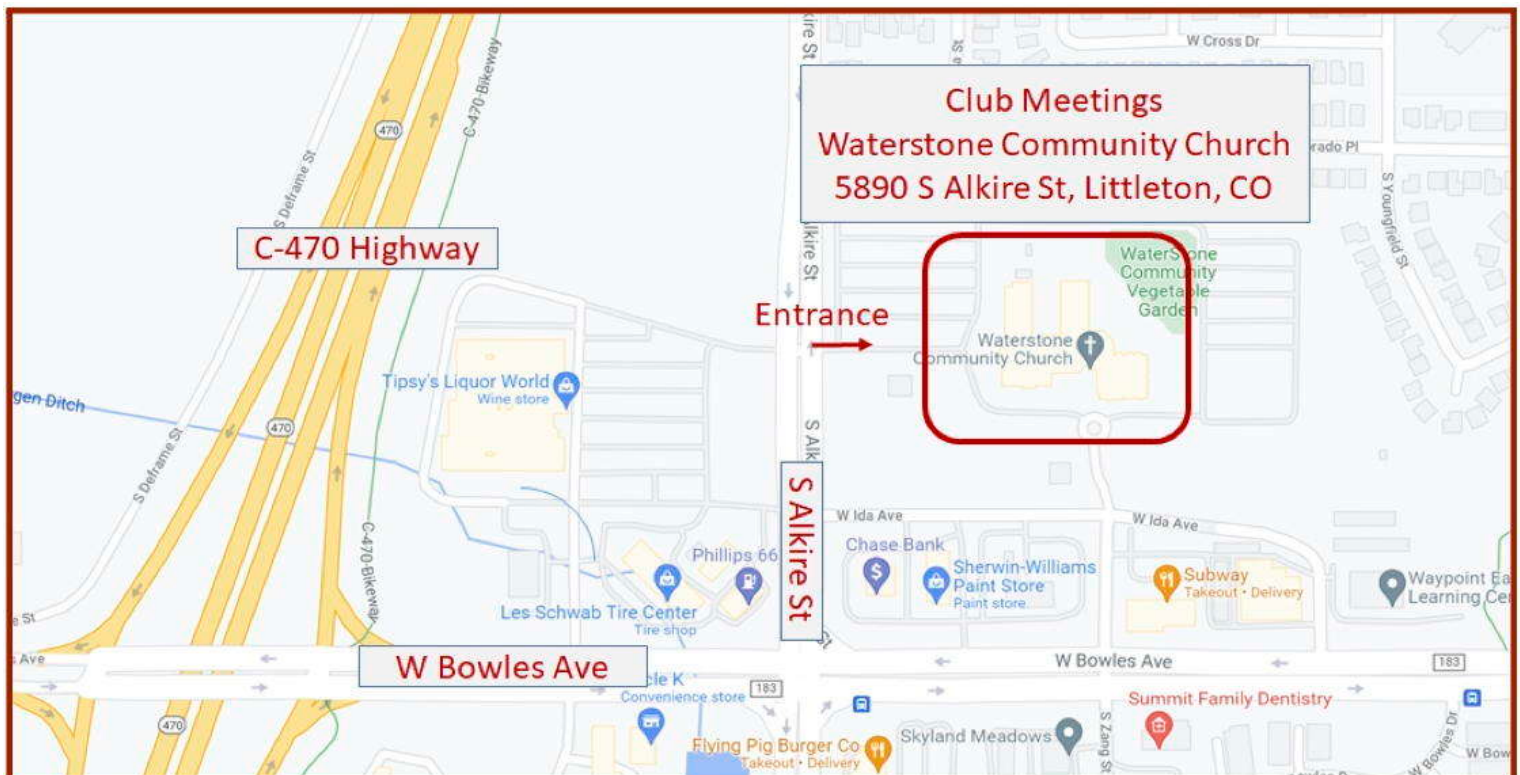
For the 2023 season, club business meetings will be held at the church on the FIRST TUESDAY of each month at 7:00 p.m. Please mark your calendars now.

Board meetings are typically held virtually, the third Wednesday night of each month at 7:00 P.M. If you wish to offer input, please contact President Bud Glass in advance.

Views and or opinions expressed in this newsletter are those of the editor, staff, and writers of articles submitted. They may or may not be those of the Jefco membership, club officers, or board members.

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Club Business Meeting Location: Please note our new meeting location: Waterstone Community Church, 5890 S Alkire St, Littleton, CO 80127. The church is located approximately 2 blocks north of Bowles Ave on the east side of Alkire St, near the intersection of Bowles Avenue and C-470. The church has a very large parking lot directly off Alkire St. Enter the main doors on the south end of the west side of the building, and proceed down the hall and up the stairway on your left. **We will be meeting in Room 211-E. <----- Note Room Number!**



Champs Pylon Race, September 9, 2023 (Photos by Bud Glass)



Top left, a group prepares for the raising of the colors and the playing of the National Anthem.

Top right and middle, pilots, volunteers and spectators pay their respects as the colors are raised and the Anthem played..

Left, Contest Director **Hank Diepenbroek** holds a pilots' meeting in preparation for the day's racing.

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Left, Leo Hrdlicka photo-bombs a picture of our volunteer IT expert Terry Hock. Right, Contest Director **Hank Diepenbroek** is out and about checking into the contest operations.

Champs Pylon Race, September 10, 2023 (Photos by Bud Glass)



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Members of the New Safety Team (Photos Larry Fagan)



New Safety Team members are, left to right, **Michael Kranitz**, **Jamie Allen**, **Paul Broyles**, President and Safety Officer **Bud Glass**, **Geoff Wasteneys**, Safety Team Chair **Steady Higgins**, **Doug Martel**, and **Doug Beacom**.

After posing for the team picture, the members sat down to **the pilots' meeting** to hear Safety Officer **Bud Glass** present his vision for the team and the need to comply with the requirement for a Safety Committee in the bylaws.



He turned the floor over to Safety Team Chair **Steady Higgins** (back to camera) who presented his concept of how the team will operate and deal with people with consideration, respect and firmness if required.

Club Reminders

First Aid Box Lock Combination

The combination for the First Aid Box in the pavilion is the Club's AMA number, 0-1-7-6. Please re-lock the box after you open it to prevent theft of the contents.

Helipad Reminder, FPV Racing Drone restrictions

A new helipad has been added to the south end of the new diagonal runway. Only one helipad may be used at the same time, and heli operations are prohibited from anywhere other than one of the three designated helipads. FPV Racing Drones may fly in the field south of the parking lot and must remain within the 100 ft. X 200 ft. area designated by the 4 white corner poles.

Have a Tech Article or Related Info?

Some members have asked about a place to post hobby-related technical or informational articles, how-to's, video links or other helpful items on our website. Webmaster **Terry Hock** has updated our website to accommodate this request. If you would like to post something to our [Technical Resource Page](#) which already has excellent technical information, simply go to JefcoAeromodlers.com, click on the "Contact Us" tab. Fill out the short form, attach files or links where shown. Your submission will be reviewed and will either be posted to the site, or returned with a question, comment or request for additional information if necessary.

Jefco Aeromod'lers Photo Albums

Photos contributed by Jefco Aeromod'lers members may be viewed directly by clicking the links posted on the website under Gallery/Google Photo Gallery.

When viewing an album, click the image to view in a larger format, then click the left ("<") or right (">") arrow to view the previous or next photo in the album. Click the back arrow (upper left) to go back to the album of all photos. If you have a Google Account (example <your name>@gmail.com), you may add a comment ("Say something") to a photo or add (upload) a photo to an album.

Important Note: All images are the property of their respective owners. Jefco Aeromod'lers reserves the right to remove any images or comments deemed inappropriate.

Some of the photo albums contain videos. If you roll your cursor over one of them they will play the first few seconds of the video. Click on the triangle in the circle on the upper right to play the entire video. The number indicates the duration of the movie in seconds.

Google Photo Link: [Parker Science Night](#)

Google Photo Link: [I. C. Carb Day 2023](#)

Google Photo Link: [Jefco RC Club Auction 2023](#)

Google Photo Link: [Latvian Drone Demo](#)

Google Photo Link: [April Mini-Auction](#)

They can also be viewed on the club's website [Google Photo Gallery page](#).

Jefco Aeromod'lers Club Member Contact List (Authored by Lora Knowlton)**NEW - Join the Jefco Aeromod'lers Club Member Contact List**

Please consider being part of the new Jefco Aeromod'ers Club Members Contact List!

Currently, the official club membership roster is not shared with members due to privacy concerns. However, several club members have expressed interest in having their contact info shared with fellow club members – for a variety of reasons (borrowing tools, coordinating flying schedules at the field, etc). Your Board of Directors heard your suggestion!

As a balance between privacy concerns and what some club members would like, a new Club Members Contact List has been created.

Those club members who want, will “opt in” to participate in this new Club Members Contact List. An updated monthly list will be emailed only to all of those who have opted in. If, at any time, an “opted in” member wishes to “opt out” - no problem. As a reminder, this new list is totally separate from the official membership roster.

The “Opt In” option is currently available. To “opt in”, please complete the online form with your contact information via the link below:

[YES, I want to "Opt In"!](#)

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[Click here for Brick Program webpage.](#)

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(Stonegate Village Center)
Parker
303-996-7560**

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Please support this local hobby shop.

