The Jefco Flyer

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Bob English holds a plane warming up on a starting bench, February 23, 2021 (Photo by Bud Glass)

Jefco Club Website	Photo Gallery coming soon	
Board of Directors	AMA Website	
<u>Club Volunteers List</u>	AMA District IX Website	
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President's Message - Bud Glass

Hello March 2021

New Field Graphic Panels and Rule Brochures

For the past several months your Board of Directors along with Terry Hock, have been diligently working on designing the new field graphics panels that will go up on the kiosk. The purpose of this project was to create updated graphics that accurately reflect the new configuration of the flying field, and to clearly show how the field is to be safely used. Our design team has cumulatively spent hundreds of hours working on this important project that will have a major impact on all who use the facility. The new graphic panels are complete and have been submitted to the park for final approval.

There will be two maps on the kiosk. One is an overview of the entire flying field showing the flying area boundaries as

approved by the park, and the second is a magnified insert showing the runways, taxiways, pilots' boxes, helipads, pit area, FPV drone racing area and more. We are quite proud of these new, brightly-colored field graphic panels and will be excited to see them installed soon.

I must commend the Board of Directors for their patience, perseverance and cooperation while we all spent a lot of "midnight oil", as we endeavored to produce a final product that was professional in appearance and accurately reflected all the important field details. Special recognition must be given to Terry for his outstanding skills and effort in creating the actual artwork required to produce the new graphic panels and for his help guiding our team through this extensive process.

Paralleling the work on the new field graphics panels, your Board of Directors has been updating and rewriting the outdated Field Operations and Safety Manual. Similar to the graphics update, several changes were needed in the rules to accurately reflect the changes that have occurred as a result of the new field configuration.



Also, it was necessary to correct and clarify inaccurate, unclear or conflicting information in the old rules. This task is nearly complete. While the Board all worked on this project, the brunt of the work was completed by Lora Knowlton, using her skills to clean up and organize the manual, to transform it into a logical, sensible and easy-to-read document. By the time the new graphic panels are fabricated and installed on the kiosk, the new rule brochures will be printed and ready to place in the brochure holder for everyone's use.

Thank You Volunteers

During the past couple snow events, a few members have grabbed shovels and pushed some snow off the sidewalks and in the pits. Also, Tom Elliot cleared the E/W runway with the snow thrower on the tractor and Rick Gonzales came in to run a snow blower to clear pilots' boxes, taxiways and sidewalks. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help.

No Auction in 2021

Since this year's auction has been cancelled due to Covid, and I have a garage full of estate and donated items, we are considering having an RC Garage sale to get these items sold sometime this spring. It will likely be held at my residence on a Saturday in April or May. This is a fund-raiser for the club so everyone's support will be greatly appreciated. Anyone

wanting to view and/or purchase any of this RC related equipment, before the official RC Garage Sale, may do so by contacting me for an appointment. I have transmitters, transmitter cases, receivers, building tools, building hardware, batteries, field boxes, many drawer units, sailplanes, a DJI Phantom Drone w/batteries, TX and case and more. Details on the RC Garage Sale to follow.

History Books

I still have 10 unclaimed history books. If your name is on this list, please make arrangements with me to claim your book as soon as possible: Bill Zimmerman (2 books), Bruce Riley, Michael Peterson, Michael Sadler, Paul Orkild, Peter Thompson, Robert Sikiyan, Sid Gates. If your name is on this list in error, please let me know that as well. If you want to pick your book up at the field, just let me know and I will bring it down and meet you there at our mutual convenience. You can call 303-829-5351, or email iteachu2fly@comcast.net

Bud Glass
Club President

Club News

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 <u>Resource Page</u> 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.

2021 Membership Renewal Reminder

All 2020 members should have received a membership renewal invoice and verification form in the mail in early December. Please renew now! You can do so via the club website under <u>Membership</u> or by mailing in the verification form. Thank you!

Lora Knowlton

Membership Coordinator

Social Distancing at the field

Approximately 1 Radian Wingspan (6 feet), is encouraged at the Aerodrome, let's all do our part to end the pandemic. Everyone please stay safe!

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.

New Helipad Reminder

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.

Club Training Program

President Glass sent an email of thanks to Terry Barnhart for his donation of an Apprentice S to the club training program. His generosity is greatly appreciated and Bud is sure the plane will be put to good use.

Wanted - RC Pilots

Lora Knowlton received the following info on March 3, 2021 regarding a special RC flying project:

My name is Drew Scherschligt. I am a certified flight instructor as well as an airline pilot for Horizon Air. I am also an avid remote control pilot. I have an opportunity for model aircraft pilots to be paid for their flying skills. I am looking to hire remote control pilots to fly for bird abatement at a blueberry farm with me. The season will be roughly 45 days from the middle of June through July. Each pilot will be paid an estimate between \$5,000-\$6,000 for this project. Each pilot will be flying around 7 hrs a day, with a day off a week. We will be flying an E-flite Timber X. Our job will be to chase birds out of the blueberries and keep them from coming in and damaging the fruit. We are looking for expert pilots with lots of skill and background in the model aviation field. Must be at least 18 years old. Yakima, WA (Central Washington) is where we will be flying. We are working on being able to provide pilots with housing. Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions. My number is 509-961-9806 and my email is S.drew8@yahoo.com. Pass this onto anyone and everyone who you think may be interested. It will be an easy and fun way to make some good money in a short season. We're looking for the best pilots.

Thanks!!! -Drew Scherschligt

Business and BOD Meeting Minutes

Read the January 20th Jefco Aeromod'lers R/C Club Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic the February 3, 2021 club business meeting was cancelled. There are no business meeting minutes to report for February 2021.

In the future once business meetings resume, there will be a link to the club's Business Meeting Minutes in this section of the newsletter.

2021 Jefco Aeromod'lers Calendar

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Information</u>
March 17	Board Meeting	Virtual Meeting
April 7	Club Meeting	Cancelled
April 21	Board Meeting	Virtual Meeting
May 5	Club Meeting	TBD
May 19	Board Meeting	TBD
June 2	Club Meeting	TBD
June 11-13	Warbirds & Classics Over Denver	Click here for details
July 17-18	Pylon Race	Tentatively Planned

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).

NOTE: Due to COVID-19 public health concerns, the monthly meetings will be cancelled on a month-to-month basis. Please check our website for the most current meeting info. Board meetings are held the third Wed. night of each month, 6:00 P.M. If you wish to attend a live meeting when we return to normal conditions, contact President Bud Glass in advance.

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