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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(* = GFF Event ** = Non GFF Event)

*Aug 5th, Sat, GFF Club Monthly Meeting,
11am at Club Field.

*Aug 12th & 13th, Sat & Sun, GFF Warbirds Fun
Fly at Club field in Guildhall, VT starting at
9:30am. Bring some Warbirds if you have them
or just bring something to fly if you don't have
any Warbirds. The concession will be open for
hot dogs, hamburgers, and other available food
for purchase on Saturday & Sunday. There will
also be a 50/50 raffle.

*Sep 2nd, Sat, GFF Club Monthly Meeting,
11am at Club Field.

*Sep 9th, Sat. GFF Fall Float Fun Fly and Boat
Float @ Waterford boat landing on the Moore
Dam Reservoir in Waterford, VT. Starting at
9:30am. Bring a float plane, a boat, or both for a
fun time. Enjoy pizza for lunch.

**Sep 9 & 10, Sat & Sun. Old Rhinebeck
Airdrome RC Jamboree, Rhinebeck, NY

**Sep 14, 15, 16, 17, Thu-Sun. NEAT Fair
electric only event @ Peaceful Valley
Campground in Downsville, NY

*Oct 7th, Sat, GFF Club Monthly Meeting,

11am at Club Field. This will be the last
meeting at the Club Field before going back to
the Library at 10am on Saturdays.

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JULY BIRTHDAYS:

11th Brian Bigelow

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS:

6th Nelson Fontaine

19th Howard Lowell

22nd Bob Hovik

27th Jim Kemble

Happy Birthday ! ! !

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JULY MEETING REPORT:

11:00am - The GFF July 1st meeting was called
to order by President Neal Wells III with 10
members present. Since Secretary Paul Herman
was absent, Don Sanders was asked to take
notes on the meeting.

11:01am - Neal called for the treasurer's report.
The treasurer's report was given by Treasurer
Pete Forlenza. Neal called for any discussion on
the report and none was made. A motion was
made, seconded, and passed to accept the report
as read.

11:04am - Neal called for the secretary's report.
The report as written in the June Newsletter was

read by Don Sanders. Neal called for any discussion on the report and none was made. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the report as read.

11:08am - Neal called for the field marshall's report. Field Marshall Neal Wells, Jr. gave his report: 1.) The leaking front tires on the John Deere mower have been replaced. 2.) The battery on that mower was also replaced since the seven year old battery would no longer take a charge. 3.) The access road needs repair due to the many mud holes now present. Jay Beaton mentioned his dad has offered the use of his Bobcat to spread some bank run gravel. 4.) The frequency board needs to be shored up and the pin side of the frequency board needs to be refurbished. Neal suggested removing the front panel and taking it to his shop for ease of replacement of the pins, renewing the labels, and refinishing. For simplicity, Pete recommended removing the pins for the ham bands, 27Mhz, and 49Mhz bands which are no longer in use here.

11:13am - Pete gave a brief report on the Lyndonville Airport r/c event on June 24th. There were two short periods for r/c demonstration flights. Paul from Barrie and Pete flew even though it was quite windy. There seemed to be many questions and much interest in the radio control hobby from the spectators.

11:15am - Neal Wells, Jr gave a report on the Whitefield Airport r/c event on June 24th. The rain nicely stopped mid morning and the weather turned out warm and sunny. There were two ez-up canopies set up. The GFF/RC info area was manned by Pres. Neal III, Neal, Jr. & Joan Wells to answer the r/c questions and hand out GFF Club information. Don Sanders had an ez-up set up near the r/c runway to do several r/c demonstration flights with the large Fenix 150. Due to the wind and the tight flying area behind Presby's Plastic Plant, the electric

flights were short and close in. Several other electric planes were on static display for the public to see. People of all ages came by and showed an interest in the r/c flying hobby.

11:18am - President Neal called for Old Business:

Pete Forlenza reported the new Spektrum 6e transmitter has been received, programed, and used for wireless buddy box training. The wireless feature is working great and the club indoor DSM-2 transmitter is compatible for wireless use. The system can be programed so the instructor can move the sticks to follow the progress of the students control of the plane or it can be programed so touching any stick or switch will immediately take control back from the student. Pete says it is much easier and safer not having to worry about tripping over the trainer cord.

11:23am - Don gave a brief report on the Saturday, Electric Fun Fly event. It was a great day for flying and everyone enjoyed the Climb & Glide contest. Brian reported on the Sunday, Glow & Gas portion of the Fun Fly, everyone had a great time in spite of the windy, hot, & humid weather.

11:27am – New Business

Discussion followed for planning next Saturday's Pot Luck BBQ Picnic / GFF Memorial Fly In. Georges and Marcelle volunteered to take care of the food. All are encouraged to bring a dish to share. Don will bring the Memorial Plaque.

11:29am - War Birds Over Guildhall on August 12 &13 planning discussion. Georges and Marcelle plan to grill both days. Members are encouraged to donate additional food (salads, casarols, or deserts) to supplement the menu. There will be a \$10 landing fee for the weekend. President Neal is checking into tee shirts for the event and plans to email invitations to other clubs to encourage their attendance. V. Pres.

Brian Bigelow is going to look into purchasing roadside signs and banners to direct the public to the field for our events. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to authorize up to \$200 for the purchase of those signs and banners.

11:45am - The Rutland VT Club Fly-In to be held July 14, 15, & 16 was announced and all GFF Club members are encouraged to make an effort to attend that event to support their club.

11:48am - Road repair discussion. Jay's dad has offered the use of his Bobcat to spread some gravel. A motion was made to spend up to \$300 for gravel. It was seconded, and the vote passed.

11:55am – A motion was made to adjourn the meeting, seconded, and passed. Meeting was adjourned.

This meeting report was prepared from the notes taken by Don Sanders.

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GFF FAMILY BBQ PICNIC / FLY-IN:

Saturday, July 8th was the Annual GFF Family BBQ Picnic and Memorial Fly-In at the Club flying field in Guildhall, VT. It was pretty well attended. It is good to visit with those who don't make it to the field on a regular basis. It is always nice to remember those members who have departed as their names are read off the memorial plaque. Thank you Georges and Marcelle taking care of the grill goodies and as usual it was proven once again that the club has some very good pot luck cooks, so thanks for your donations. Hope you enjoyed the good time.

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WARBIRDS OVER GUILDHALL, IS NEXT:

Saturday & Sunday, August 12th & 13th is our biggest event of the summer and all AMA members are welcome to attend and fly at the Warbirds Fun Fly. There will be a \$10 pilot fee for the weekend. We encourage warbirds, but bring what you have to fly and enjoy the event.

Food will be available both days and members are encouraged to bring some food (salads or desserts) donations to help expand the menu. Summer is quickly slipping away so find time to get out and do some flying with your friends.

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AUGUST MEETING REMINDER:

The Saturday, August 5th Monthly GFF Club Meeting is scheduled for 11am at the GFF Field in Guildhall, VT.

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