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## Denver R/C Club Meeting Minutes

April 19, 2022

Regular Meeting of Denver R/C Eagles was held on Wednesday April 19, 2023 at Colpar's Hobby Town, 1915 South Havana Street, Aurora, Colorado, 80014. Refreshments provided prior to start of meeting.

Meeting called to order at 6:35 PM. Board Members present: Mike Eason, President; Dan Kellogg, Vice President; Joe Vedovati, Safety Officer; Bob Hehemann, Field Maintenance Officer and Loren Anderson, Past President.

### Open Meeting at 6:30 PM

### Welcome New Members and Guests

Marty Malinowski was welcomed to the club. He is an aerospace engineer with United Launch Alliance and is a friend of Joe Bolognese.

### Number of Members Present

19 Members present, we have a quorum.

### Approval of Minutes from March 15, 2023

Minutes posted on Group-works and by email on April 18, 2023. Corrections noted by John Dickens. Motion to approve minutes made by John Dickens and second by Steve Miller. Motion passed. Minutes approved with corrections.

### Leadership Reports

#### President-Mike Eason

The latest estimate for resurfacing the runway is too high for funding. Question was asked if membership contributions could make up for the short fall. We are short about \$50,000. Joe Apice continues to look into possible solutions



### Message from President Mike Eason

I have rescheduled the May Airshow from 5/13/2023 to 5/20/2023. The airshow will be a Club event. The special event date was not available for the 20<sup>th</sup>. This will mean the field will not be closed for non airshow flying. We have not had a problem in the past under

this condition. The weather forecast looked bad and have probably again made a mistake by rescheduling. I have done this before with negative results. Hopefully

this will be the first time it works out well. The charging station has been upgraded with a higher quality battery and new solar panels. The existing Solar panels were defective. It is impressive how many watts these new panels provide, 22 amps charging batteries. I am confident that these upgrades will provide adequate voltage for the charging station to meet the needs of our membership. Bob Hehemann has been determined in having the charging station perform so that it supports the membership's need for reliable battery charging. Best Wishes, Mike Eason

### May Events

**6:30 p.m. May 17, Club Meeting—Colpars**

**8:30 to 10:00 a.m. May 20, Airshow at Suhaka**



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## Denver RC Eagles

### 2023 Events Calendar

Revised 5/11/2023

Item	Date	Event	BBQ	Time of Event	Location
1	1/18/2023	January Club Meeting		6:30 - 8:00 p.m.	Colpar Hobbies
2	2/15/2023	February Club Meeting		6:30 - 8:00 p.m.	Colpar Hobbies
3	3/15/2023	March Club Meeting		6:30 - 8:00 p.m.	Colpar Hobbies
4	TBA	Spring Dinner			
5	4/19/2023	April Club Meeting		6:30 - 8:00 p.m.	Colpar Hobbies
6	4/22/2023	April Maintenance Day		8:30 to 10:00 a.m.	Suhaka Field
7	5/13/2023	May Air Show Rescheduled			
8	5/17/2023	May Club Meeting		6:30 - 8:00 p.m.	Colpar Hobbies
9	5/20/2023	May Air Show	BBQ	8:30 to 10:00 a.m.	Suhaka Field
10	6/17/2023	June Maintenance Day		8:30 to 10:00 a.m.	Suhaka Field
11	6/21/2023	June Club Meeting		6:30 - 8:00 p.m.	Colpar Hobbies
12	7/19/2023	July Club Meeting		8:30 to 10:00 a.m.	Suhaka Field
13	7/22/2023	July Maintenance Day		6:30 - 8:00 p.m.	Suhaka Field
14	8/16/2023	August Club Meeting		6:30 - 8:00 p.m.	Colpar Hobbies
15	8/19/2023	August Maintenance Day		8:30 to 10:00 a.m.	Suhaka Field
16	9/15-16/2023	Warbirds Over Cherry Creek	BBQ	10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Suhaka Field
17	9/20/2023	September Club Meeting		6:30 - 8:00 p.m.	Colpar Hobbies
18	9/23/2023	September Maintenance Day		8:30 to 10:00 a.m.	Suhaka Field
19	10/18/2023	October Club Meeting		6:30 - 8:00 p.m.	Colpar Hobbies
20	10/21/2023	October Maintenance Day		8:30 to 10:00 a.m.	Suhaka Field
21	TBA	October Gun Fly	BBQ	9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	AirPark Elite
22	11/15/2023	November Club Meeting		6:30 - 8:00 p.m.	Colpar Hobbies
23	12/20/2025	December Club Meeting		6:30 - 8:00 p.m.	Colpar Hobbies
24	TBD	Wings Over the Rockies Auction		7:00 - 4:00 p.m.	Wings Over the Rockies



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## Denver R/C Eagles Club Leadership



Mike Eason



Dan Kellogg



Joe Apice



Joe Vedovati



Bob Hehemann



John Dickens



Joe Bolognese



Michael Curta



Eric Sunderwirth



Marty Miller



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## Vice President-Dan Kellogg

Dan had nothing to report.

## Treasurer-Joe Apice Unable to attend

Dan reported for Joe Apice. We have 129 members with 107 in good standing. Dan reported on account balances and the Club is solvent. The budget for 2023 is on track except for unknown amount required for Warbirds Over Cherry Creek event.

## Safety Officer-Joe Vedovati

Joe left a message with the FAA to check on LOA for current status, but he has not received a reply. It is Joe's understanding that we are current. Loren Anderson reported that his understanding is the LOA does not expire and suggested that Joe contact Centennial Airport. Joe will do that.

The Fixed Flying site status will be filled by the AMA in September.

Stay hydrated as the weather begins to warm up. Be sure to take prop off when setting up new plane. No incidents to report last month. Steve Miller described safety procedures to prevent accidental electric motors starting.

## Director of Field Maintenance-Bob Hehemann

The large metal sign at field has been damaged by a pellet gun. Bob checked the camera footage, but saw no suspects. Keep an eye out. It was reported two guys were at the field shooting at prairie dogs.

They were reported to the ranger. The Maintenance Day is scheduled for April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Painting of tables and runway work are to be done. Start time is 8:00 AM. Batteries for charging station are being replaced. Bob thanked Robert Ihly for his constant work at the field. Robert received a round of applause from the membership.

Discussed work needed at rotorcraft area. Move pilot pads from north end of runway and supply gravel. Mike Curta asked if we would like footage from drone camera at Warbirds Over Cherry Creek. There were no objections and Mike Eason will discuss with Committee Chair, Joe Apice. Bob Hehemann will put together an article with photos of Roger Day to be submitted to the AMA magazine.

## Chief Flight Instructor-John Dickens

The new flying season has begun. We have 6 students currently with two flying this Sunday. The IP instructors are Joe Apice, Mike Curta, Joe Vedovati, John Dickens and Doc Hamilton. It will be a good flying season.

## Show and Tell

Pete Link shared his 3D printed plane. The plans come from Spain and the plane was printed using light weight PLA.

## Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn made by Loren Anderson and second by Dan Kellogg. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

