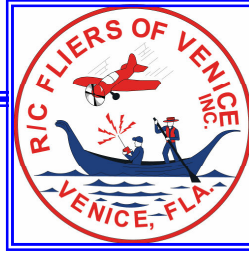


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President's Message

Happy New Year!

As 2026 is now here, so are many exciting happenings at R/C Fliers of Venice. We now have a full Board of Directors. I am honored to announce Brian Hague to the Board filling in the vacant Director position. With equal honor, I wish to welcome Barry Mizes as our new Safety Officer. These two gentlemen saw a need for our club and stepped up to fill the positions. Thank you, Brian and Barry.

We have established 3/28/2026 as the date for our upcoming Wings Over Venice event. Many volunteers will be needed to make it all happen. We will have a volunteer sheet at the Membership meeting asking for your help. I know everyone is ready to do their part for this year's event to be a resounding success.

On 1/26/2026 @ 9am, Mike Modrick from WWSB Channel 7 will be at the airfield to film a segment for "Discovering the Suncoast". Anyone wishing to attend and fly is welcome to participate.

I'm pumped up to see you at the meeting and equally pumped to see everyone at the airfield having fun with safety in mind while flying your favorite aircraft.

President *John Kinney*

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January 2026 Meeting Notice

Where: The club flying field

When: Saturday, January 10th, 10:00 AM

Agenda items to be discussed:

- Membership and Gate Card Renewal
- Board Member Changes
- Over-Flying the Western Boundary
- WWSB Channal 7 TV Shoot

Members who wish to make their feelings known on these topics or wish to raise other items of business please attend and have your say. If you are unable to attend, but want to make input please call me. 407-592-6251



Let's keep our beautiful field neat and clean!

The field maintenance/grass cutting schedule is every Thursday from noon to 4pm. Please be aware that flying may be halted during this time depending on the work being done

Take all of your trash home. Although our field is located on a landfill, we do not have trash pickup.

2025/26 Membership Meeting Schedule

Location: Robert T. Shaw Memorial Field

January	10th	10AM
February	14th	10AM
March	14th	10AM
April	11th	10AM
May	9th	10AM



**John Dexter presents John Kinney
with his very own R/C Fliers of Venice
President name tag**



**New Board Member
Jason Korst
Director**



**New Board Member
Barry Mixes
Safety Officer**



**Michael Jackson
a returning Member as well
as the announcer for many
Wings Over Venice events.**



**Tim Archer
Was announced as a
Perspective New Member
Now a New Member!**



RC Fliers of Venice Membership Meeting Minutes

December 13th, 2025 - Held at Memorial Field

The monthly meeting opened at 10:00am with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A headcount of the members present was not performed. Board members present: President John Dexter, Vice President Lee Shaver, Secretary Scott Anderson, Director Vaughan Abbott, and Director Ken Czerwinski. Incoming President John Kinney and incoming Director Jason Korst were also in attendance.

Secretary's Report: Meeting Minutes are published in the Scramble Sheet monthly and posted on the Club Website.

Treasurer's Report:

Dave Walters was not feeling well and not in attendance. Dave mentioned to John Dexter before the meeting that the Club's financial situation has not changed much from last month's report. A Treasurer's report will be available for the next meeting.

New Members:

Michael Jackson – a returning Member as well as the announcer for many Wings Over Venice events.

Tim Archer – Perspective new Member. Tim wants to join the Club. Dave Dobbs showed Tim around the facility earlier in the week and has offered to work with Tim.

A big welcome to the new & perspective Members!

Agenda discussion led by President John Dexter:

Jason Korst was announced as the winner of the Director election. Congratulations Jason. Jason spoke for a minute to introduce himself.

John Dexter's explained his term as President will end as of adjournment of this meeting. The Membership thanked John Dexter for his service during his Presidency with a round of applause. John Dexter announced John Kinney as the next President for a two-year term. John Dexter recapped the new Board of Directors for 2026:

John Kinney –President, Lee Shaver -Vice President, Dave Walters –Treasurer/
Membership, Scott Anderson -Secretary, Ken Czerwinski -Director, Jason Korst -Director.

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John Dexter mentioned some of the accomplishments during his term including repaving the runway and repairing multiple bouts of Clubhouse damage due to hurricanes, as well as working special projects and addressing many challenges facing the Club.

John Dexter mentioned the Board of Directors has a vacant Safety Officer seat and a vacant Director seat. The new, 2026 Board will be responsible for backfilling these two positions.

John Dexter thanked Vaughan Abbott for his service as a Director for the past 6 years. The Membership thanked Vaughan for his service with a round of applause.

Barry Mizes spoke about the Club's first electronic vote in its history; the just-completed Director election. Barry explained electronic voting allows all Members to have the ability to vote regardless if they are able to attend the Membership meeting or not. 61 Members participated in this vote. John Dexter pointed out that 61 votes is roughly twice the number of votes counted in a typical in-person Membership meeting, confirming the effectiveness of using electronic voting tools. Members may validate their vote on the list posted at the Clubhouse.

John Dexter mentioned that Membership renewal time is fast approaching. John mentioned there are currently issues with website and the renewal process (currently, as of 12/13/25). Specifically, there is an issue with the PayPal link. Jim Johnson spoke to this issue and reported he and Dave Walters are working with DualRates to resolve (DualRates is the software database/website product our Club uses). Jim is expecting resolution in a few days. The Club will send out an announcement when it is clear to begin using the website for Membership renewal. Renewals must be completed by 1/31/26. (Update: The renewal issue with the PayPal link has been resolved and notice was sent to the Club on 12/18/25.)

John Dexter mentioned gate card renewal is coming up. As of this writing, the Club just received word from the Landfill Office. Gate card renewal hours are as follows:

January 5th - 9th: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

January 12th – 16th: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

January 19th – Holiday. Office Closed.

January 20th – 23rd: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

January 26th – 30th: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

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New Business:

One Member requested the Club consider a non-flying membership class for a nominal fee, one that does not require AMA membership nor initiation fee, but does offer a gate card. This Member has a friend whose eyesight is not good enough to fly R/C planes, but the friend would still like to join the Club and come out to watch other pilots fly and enjoy the camaraderie. This Member's view is the cost of the initiation fee, dues, and AMA membership is too steep for someone that just wants to visit the Club but not fly. The Board has taking this request under consideration.

There was no 50/50 raffle at today's meeting.

There was no door prize for today's meeting.

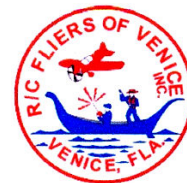
The meeting was officially adjourned by John Dexter. John Dexter handed the microphone over to new-President John Kinney. John Kinney spoke for several minutes regarding his background and his vision for the Club going forward.

John mentioned he is an Air Force veteran and has also worked in construction, and as a radio disc jockey. John did a tour in Viet Nam and flew 105 combat missions as a C-130 loadmaster. John landed on fire twice, took ground fire once. The Membership acknowledged John for his service.

John's vision for the Club going forward is to get our Members out and flying, to have fun, and to be courteous to each other. Regardless of the type of aircraft you fly, John wants our Members to come out and enjoy the Club. Besides working the day to day issues facing the Club, John wants to reestablish the Wings over Venice event. John is working all the logistics of conducting a Wings over Venice event this spring and solicited Club Members for assistance. John would also like the 3 Director positions to be responsible for specific tasks such as: community outreach, event planning, assistance to our Treasurer, field maintenance, pilot training/instruction.

John Kinney proceeded to take questions from the Membership. One Member asked about the vacant Safety Officer position. John reiterated there are two seats on the Board that are vacant; the Safety Officer and a Director position. The Safety Officer position does not have a set term, the Director position has 1 year left on the term. John mentioned that he is looking for Members that are willing to work hard for the Club, and asked for any Members that are interested speak with him directly. The process to fill these positions, per the bylaws, is for the President to recommend a Member for an open Board position, and then for the Board of Directors to approve that Member by majority vote (see bylaws, Article X: Vacancies).

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Another Member asked about who handles general inquiries about our Club. This led to a discussion. The Club presently does not have a person dedicated to fielding general inquiries. Any of the Club Officers may be sent an email by the general public by clicking on their name under the website page entitled “Club Officers”. However, there should be a dedicated Club Member to set up to receive and process general inquiries. The Board took this issue under consideration.

Another member raised the question if a 3-month Membership for snowbirds would be considered. The Club has faced this question several times in the past and has always recommended against it. Club expenses, field maintenance, special projects happen throughout the year; they are ongoing. Full-year Membership dues are what fund these expenses. As one Member noted, “we still have to mow the grass in the summer”. The Board will not consider a request for a 3-month Membership option.

The meeting concluded at approximately 10:30am.

Respectfully submitted Secretary, *Scott Anderson*



**Dave Ribbe and Crew
with Experimental Model**



**Cody Hague with an E-Flight
A-320neo ordered in plain
white. He then dressed the
plane in AA livery from Callie
Graphics. His uncle pilots the
A-320 for American Airlines.**