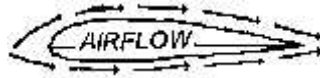


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The purpose of the Radio Control Club of Rochester is to aid and encourage interest in the design, construction and safe operation of radio-controlled model aircraft, boats, and cars.

All visitors are always welcome at the Northampton Park Model Flying field and at regular meetings.

Meetings are scheduled for the second and fourth Wednesday of every month at 7:30 PM at the Salem Church, 60 Bittner Street, just east of the Inner Loop exit at St. Paul Street.

FOR THE LATEST INFO:
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Hey,

The few nice days in April sure did a lot to help us open the fields. **John Floyd, George Steger, and Bud Kelly** have moved the tractors into position and John has done the required tractor maintenance. George has already rolled Northampton and mowed it at least once. **Trevor Ewell, Jim DeTar, John Floyd, Bob Knyrim, Joe Somers,** and **supervisors Ed Barrows and Bernie Kulbacki** filled some ruts in the runway, moved the culvert on the west end of the flight line to the east end and mounted the signs. **George Steger** had already painted all the signposts. **Bob Knyrim** has repaired the "no flying without an observer" and the "no fly zone" signs. Northampton is looking pretty spiffy. **Ed Barrows and Ray (what's his name) Forman** mowed Bolling and **Dick Foster** and **Manny Vella** have given Hasman a couple of haircuts too. So I guess the season is underway.

John is looking for more people to put on the mowing crew. If you can afford about an hour a week give John a call. During the growing season we will have to mow each runway twice a week. I know you like the nice short grass. Give John a call. (621-4905)

I would like to thank **John Mesoella and Dick Brook** for the jet turbine program they did for us at the March 13 meeting. If you missed it, John brought in his turbine engine and did a short program on the engine and how it works. He then took the engine into the courtyard and, with Dick Brook holding on to the test stand, fired the engine up for a short run. It is amazing how quite a turbine runs.

Ed Britton, Matt Kirsch and Jim DeTar put on an intense program on electrics at the March 27 meeting. This is a subject that is tough to get your arms around. They gave us a good over view of the subject though and I would like them to do the program again in the fall. Electrics are becoming very popular.

At the April 24 meeting the **Edison Tech RC class** attended our meeting to give us an update on their accomplishments. Last year the members of RCCR were asked to donate equipment to the Edison program and at this meeting we were shown what they have done with the donations. It was impressive how far the students have come and how much they enjoy the hobby. Most of the students are building models from scratch. They and their teacher are all members of the AMA and are now members of RCCR. Many kudos to their teacher, **Terry Miller**, for the guidance and assistance he gives the students. Trevor Ewell and I have been meeting with Terry and the students during the week to give them flying lessons. This spring we will meet with them on Wednesday afternoons. A donation of RC equipment is always welcome.

The June fun fly preparation is under way. **Paul Wiegand** is the CD for the meet, **Randy Meyers** has volunteered to do the transmitter impound, **Dick and Judy Foster** will take care of the refreshments. **We** will need to setup on Friday May 31 and tear down on Sunday, June 2, and help Dick and Judy with the refreshments.

The raffle tickets are out. You should expect to see them in the mail shortly. We are sending ten tickets to each member in hopes that each member could sell at least ten.

The first combat meet is Saturday, May 11, at Bolling field. **Pete Durante** is the CD for this event. It is his first go-it-almost-alone event. We need to be there to help him out.

Training is starting officially on Tuesday, May 7 at Northampton. As in the past, we will start at 4pm and go until dusk, weather permitting. We can always use help in flight training and pit crews and if you can't help out in these areas it is always nice to have an audience. So come out and enjoy the evenings.

SAFETY FIRST AND FLY QUIETLY

Joe

Bob Horn passed away on April 26th.

There will be a memorial for Bob at the Cerebral Palsy Center 3399 Winton Road South on May 7th at 11:30AM in the gym.

In Memory of Bob Horn

Bob Horn's death from bone cancer early on Friday April 26th created a feeling of sorrow for a good life ended. But it also rose up feelings of respect and reverence for a life lived in service to others.

Bob was born in Rochester on 9/6/26. That meant he graduated from High School about the middle of WW II. He qualified for the Navy pilot program and took primary flight training at Corpus Christi Texas flying Stearmans. In fact, he still had a broken piece of a wing rib which he disengaged from the lower wing on a hard landing. Fortunately for him, the War ended before he could progress to advanced flight training in SNJ's (equivalent to Army AT-6's). After the War, he completed his college degree in Mechanical Engineering, and married his neighborhood sweetheart, Norma. He worked for Kodak in the Apparatus Division, located at the Elmgrove Plant in later years. He finished his career reviewing legal records for Kodak in the Berkley lawsuit, spending almost 2 years off-and-on in New York City.

Bob became interested in Model Airplanes about 10 years ago. His first recreational love has always been golfing, and it seriously interfered with his model flying, but he persevered. He contacted me through a mutual friend (my neighbor) at Ridgemont Country Club, and he started building models. He progressed well through trainers, and next built a flying model of his full scale Stearman (Sterling kit). It only survived 2 years until it met a fate far worse than his full scale plane did with him at the controls. On through the Altech "Tamecat" to the Sig 4 star 60, his favorite plane with an OS91 four stroke. This is the plane he has been flying the past 2 years or so.

Perhaps two attributes of Bob's life best describe his character. The first was his indomitable spirit in conquering a series of medical problems throughout his life. He cheerfully survived lymphoma, an aortic aneurysms, bladder tumors, throat constrictions, and several other maladies before succumbing to painful bone cancer. The second attribute was his hallmark service to children with Cerebral Palsy at the Al Sigl Center. (He and Norma never had any children of their own) Ever since he retired, he spent several days each week building everything from special computer tables, wheelchair devices, etc, to aid the handicapped. There is a special plaque on the wall at Al Sigl recognizing his tireless and unpretentious work. These children will miss him most of all.

Trev Ewell

Front Cover Picture:

Contest to test your aircraft knowledge and improve mine.
Here's what to do.

1. Identify the aircraft, make, model, and manufacture.
2. Tell as much information about the aircraft as you can.
3. Make sure your name is on the postcard (RCCR Members Only)
4. Put information on a postcard or letter and mail it to me or give it to me at one of the meetings.
5. The member with the best information on the aircraft will go into a hat for a drawing at next year's Roast. (Prize to be donated by the Foster's)
6. Enter after every Newsletter comes out.

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The Genesee Valley Aeromodelers will be hosting the annual interclub picnic this year.

The picnic is scheduled for Sunday August 25th, 2002 at the GV AM field in Honeoye. Flying will begin at 9:00 am. All you need to bring is your favorite plane(s) and a good appetite. The Genesee Valley Aeromodelers will supply food drink and excellent weather. I have included a map for anyone not familiar with how to get to the field. If you have any questions I can be reached at 248-5133. I would appreciate it if you would put this on your club calendar of events. I am looking forward to seeing you at the picnic



Wayne is explaining to John that his new Airplane Rickshaw does not leave any ruts in the field in the springtime.



RCCR sponsors Model Demonstration, and Display for children at Brighton High School

Members corner

Ed Britton

VP members

It seems that we are seeing quite the increase in new membership this year; renewals are also coming in a lot sooner than usual. This is probably due in part to the light winter we had this year as well as a lot of younger people becoming interested in the hobby.

So far, we have 100 members in the club as of the first meeting in May 19 of them being new members. Last year it took us until the fall to reach the 100 mark and I don't personally see a decline in the interest of our club or the hobby anytime soon.

I would like to take this opportunity to list the names of our new members for 2002 so that we all may be able to get to know these people and look for them at the fields to help them along or just say *hey!*

Ed Braiman	Charles & Joseph LaCarte	Nick Randazzo
Tom Brodie	David Leckinger	Don Spratt
Matthew Codd	Terry Miller	Andrew Stewart
Tom Colbert	Robyn Milliman	Michael Tschanz
Gene Edwards	David Perkins	Kevin Ward
Tom Forsyth	Orlando Pizzaro	George Zeigler

My other half has asked that I write a little article in this newsletter. I guess as the co-editor I shouldn't be a silent partner... I don't think that's in the job description. I would first like to say thank you for being selected as RCCR wife of the year. It has always been my privilege to work side by side with my husband as often as he needs a little help. I would have never expected to get such recognition for something I love to do. So thank you again.

Now I do want to make some PERFECTLY clear about the hotdog situation at this year's fun fly. ALL HOTDOGS WILL BE ZWEIGLES!!! Last year I purchased a less expensive red hot in order for the club to make a little more money. Although my intentions were honorable they weren't all that tasty and I promise not to make the same mistake twice!

I hope to continue to see all of you at the fields.

(Some wives really do like to come). If there is anything you'd like to see in the newsletter, please don't hesitate to ask.

And Al... this font size is for you!

Judy