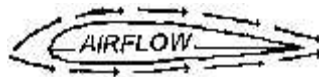


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**SAFETY BY CHOICE NOT BY CHANCE**

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.

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# Hey

, The June Fun Fly finally got off the ground. The weather just didn't want to cooperate. Northampton was like a swamp for the first two weekends in June so the event was moved to Bolling field for the 8th and 9th. The Bolling field turned out to be a very nice venue. The grounds dry up quickly and there is plenty of parking for the RV's and spectators. We need to do some work on the layout for the event and then the field would be a good alternative for the June Fun Fly, especially in the years when we have wet weather. I was out of town on Friday the day of setup but I understand that there were about a dozen people there to help. **Thanks to everyone who helped, worked the event and prepared the field.** Some of the spectators wanted to know if the area was a park. I think that's a great complement to the ground crew.

Thanks to **Ed Braimen** for taking pictures of the contestants and their planes and making up personal posters with the picture, RCCR's logo and the event title. He did all of this on the spot out of the back of his van. It was a nice touch.

We have had two successful Combat meets already this year. Combat training is taking place at Hasman field on Monday nights. If you are interested in participating in combat practice or just watching get out to Hasman on Monday nights. Practice starts around 6PM.

Our next scheduled event is the **Electric Fun Fly** on August 10 and 11 at Bolling field. **Jerry Joseph** is the CD. Jerry will need help in running the event. We will setup Bolling on Friday the 9 so save the date. **Dick and Judy Foster** did a great job in organizing the concession stand at the June Fun Fly and are willing to help at the Electric Fun Fly but would like to give the pleasure of organizing the stand for the Electric Fun Fly to someone else. So we need someone to step forward. See Jerry Joseph or me if you are interested.

On Sunday August 20 is the **Inter Club Fun Fly**. This year the event is hosted by the **Genesee Valley Aeromodelers**. They will supply the food, drink and excellent weather we just have to bring a plane to fly and enjoy ourselves. To get to the field go south on route 15A to 20A. Head east on 20A to Purcell Road. Head south on Purcell Road until you see the field on the right. If you come to the end of Purcell Road you have gone about a half a mile too far. The field is on the top of a hill with a beautiful view of the surrounding hills. There is a map on the WEB site.

I guess you all have seen the article that was in the "Our Towns" section in the June 12 edition of the Democrat and Chronicle. Shiela Rayam, staff writer, wrote a nice article about the model airplane hobby and the "Just Plane Folk" who build and fly them. She interviewed all the clubs in the Rochester area. If you haven't seen the article yet it's on the WEB site. Because of the article we have had spectators show up at the meets and at training on Tuesday nights.

Training has been a little slow this year because of the weather. First it's wet than it's windy, then it's wet and windy and now it's hot. We have had some new students and we are at Northampton every Tuesday night from 4PM to sunset. The tent is up for sun shelter so come out and enjoy the evening and watch the new pilots' train.

**Norm Marasco** has donated a Sig Kadet Mark II plane, complete with an engine and radio, to the club to be used in training. It's not the prettiest thing you have ever seen but I am told it flies great and will make a good introductory trainer plane. With the proper insurance in place we could give spectators a chance to fly a plane on training night. To do this we will need trainers to become AMA Introductory Pilots. If you are interested let me know. The club is allowed to have three. Maybe over the winter we can get the plane recovered. The radio is AM and will be changed in order to use a buddy box. I think we will use the equipment from the unclaimed plane and a transmitter from the estate of Bob Horn. Thanks for the donation Norm.

Now that the ground is drying up the field conditions are great. Some filling in of the rough spots is needed at Hasman and Bolling. The Parks ground crew at Northampton Park has been preparing the area to the east of the flight stations for seeding. Once the grass comes in we will move the fencing and flight stations to the east. This will put the flight stations on the center of the runway.

At the June 26 meeting at Hasman field we were fortunate to have **Josh Moore, Jon Arney, and Todd Roeder** put on a demo of RIT's Senior Telemaster equipped with a video and data downlink. Josh and Todd are former/current students of RIT and Jon is an advisor. Josh built the plane with help from RIT students. The camera and downlink was designed and debugged by RIT students with help from the RIT Ham Radio club of which Todd is the president. The camera showed a real time picture of the ground the plane was flying over and the GPS data gave the altitude and speed along with additional information. We had Josh, the pilot, fly the plane at 400 feet. Many of us were surprised at how low 400 feet is. Thanks to Josh, Jon and Todd for the program.

We are going to have some changes in the officers shortly. **Steve Kruger**, VP Programs, is going back to college in August to study for his Masters degree and will not be able to continue in the capacity of VP Programs. **Matt Kirsch** has agreed to finish out Steve's term. Thanks Matt for stepping in and taking up the slack. And thanks Steve for your efforts over the past two years and good luck in your studies.


We are also losing another member and friend. **Ray Forman** is moving to Iowa. Ray's wife, **Myra**, had come to Rochester to study pediatric dentistry for two years at the U of R. The two years are up, Myra has finished her studies and has accepted a position in Iowa. Ray has packed up his planes and boats and will be leaving the 1 or 2 of July. We will miss Ray, he has been a friend and a good member of the club. His only fault is fishing. Goodluck Ray and Myra, be sure to come back and see us. You are always welcome

SAFETY FIRST AND FLY QUIETLY

# Joe

## AMA District 2

### 1st Annual Fly-In




**August 31-September 1, 2002**

Sponsored by  
**Academy of Model Aeronautics**  
District 2

Hosted by  
**The Syracuse Thunderbirds Aero Radio Society**

held in conjunction with their annual Labor Day (Sunday afternoon only) Airshow  
(special demonstrations to be flown between periods of opening flying during the airshow)



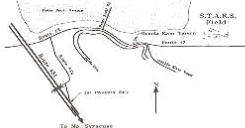
*Be part of AMA District 2's inaugural District Fly-In. A weekend of open flying, at one of central New York's premier flying facilities. Meet and talk to members from other clubs in the district. See what other members are flying. Fly off of a 600'x200' finely mowed runway with unobstructed approaches.*

*No landing fee - No registration fee - Flying starts at 9 AM each day*  
*Concession available - Saturday evening District 2 meeting*  
*Free Saturday evening dinner for all District 2 members, their families, and friends*

Accommodations		Convenience	
Fairfield Inn 3979 Route 31 Liverpool, NY (315) 622-2576 <small>(15 minutes from the field)</small>	Microtel 197 Downer Street Baldwinsville, NY (315) 635-9556 <small>(20 minutes from the field)</small>	Great Northern Mall Route 31 Clay, NY Left turn off Exit 10 Route 481 South <small>(15 minutes from the field)</small>	Wal-Mart Route 31 Clay, NY Right turn off Exit 10 Route 481 South <small>(15 minutes from the field)</small>

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STARS Field Phoenix NY (detailed directions on back)

#### Directions to the STARS Field, Phoenix NY

##### From the North

Take Route 81 South. Exit at Central Square. Turn right onto Route 49 for 1.5 miles. Turn left onto Route 11 for approximately 150 feet. Turn right onto County Route 12. Field is approximately 7.7 miles on the right.

##### From the South

Take Route 81 North to the Route 481 By-Pass. Stay on Route 481 for approximately 27 miles. Exit Route 481 at Exit 12. Turn right. Go to the first stop sign. Turn right onto County Route 12. Field is approximately 2 miles on the left.

##### From the East

Take the New York State Thruway (InterState 90) to Exit 34A. Turn right onto Route 481 North. Stay on Route 481 for approximately 16 miles. Exit Route 481 at Exit 12. Turn right. Go to the first stop sign. Turn right onto County Route 12. Field is approximately 2 miles on the left.

##### From the West

Take the New York State Thruway (InterState 90) to Exit 38. Turn left onto Route 57. Stay on Route 57 for approximately 8 miles to Phoenix, NY. Turn right onto County Route 12. Field is approximately 3 miles on the left.



RCCR 2002 Ray Edmunds Memorial Airshow & Fun Fly





Trevor... did a great job coaching his pilot into the air.









Ed was very tired after all the fine photography he did!! Thanks Ed!



So many planes... so little time

