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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 flying season is now over for most of us. The equipment has been serviced and put away for the winter. Now is the time to make sure your equipment is appropriately serviced and stored for the winter. Let's hope winter is mild and spring comes quickly. However, the other day, I saw a very bushy Wooly Bear crossing the road with another bushy Wooly Bear rapped around its neck. This may not be a good sign.

Good news in case you haven't heard. Monroe County has decided to keep the parks open during the weekdays next year. Thanks to **Trevor Ewell** for going to the Monroe County Legislature meeting on October 8th to present our position to the County Legislature

The **year-end picnic** at the ski lodge was another successful event this year. About forty members and guest enjoyed the day. Thanks to **Dick Peterson** for getting the supplies and cooking the hots and ham burgs. The club supplied the meat and the members and guests brought a dish to pass. We had a nice fire in the fireplace to keep the lodge warm and cozy as we watch the cold wind blow the rain horizontally across the ski slope (which maybe another not so good sign).

Training is now over for the year. We stretched it right up to the change to standard time. The last few Tuesday nights were on the cool side but we stuck it out and got it done. Thanks **Bob James, Matt Kirsch, Dick Brook, Trevor Ewell** for providing weekly flight training and to **Dick Foster, John Floyd, Bob McClure** for the safety checks in the pits. I am not sure of the total number of student pilots in training but one night we had approximately 70 people at the field and about fifteen student pilots. The one success story I can recall is that **Mike Leuandowski** started flight training this spring and soloed before the end of the season. Congratulations Mike. I understand your mom and sister may be next. **Isaac Asher** is also making progress. He has made a few takeoffs and landings but has yet to solo, maybe next year. **Nick Randazzo** where are you?

The Great Northampton Fence Party was a success. Thanks to John Floyd, Dick Foster, Bud Kelly, Jerry Merz, Chip Edmonds, Bob McClure, Ed Britton, Dick Brook, Ken Brawn, Gus Gleichauf, Ed Burrows, Jerry Joseph, Greg Kesel, Art DeNard for their help in putting up a great looking fence. In case you haven't heard, the old fence at Northampton was removed and a new fence put up and located so the flight stations are moved to the East and are centered on the runway and the plastic-orange fence is no longer needed. The new fence improves safety for pilots, pit crews, spectators, and general operation of the Northampton site. Thanks to all of you who helped. The cost of the fence was paid for by the sale of items donated to the club from Bob Horn's estate. Thanks Bob.

Chili Fuhn Fest is coming soon. This is the clubs little get together on January 1st. We start at 9AM (regardless of weather conditions), fly, and eat chili until we can't stand it anymore. Last year the event was held at the Hasman facility and I expect it will be at Hasman again this year. If you don't make the meetings regularly keep an eye on the WEB site or listen to our message system (FIX-RCCR) for the latest information about this fine event.

The **winter roast** is also coming up. A date has not been set. It will be in February around Valentines Day. This is our mid-winter event where we wine and dine our spouses and guests and roast the members and sometimes the guests. If you would like someone roasted talk to the roast committee. But in any case make sure you keep February free for the event. We always need volunteers to do the awards and of course we will need a master of ceremonies.

The **field rules** were given a good going over this fall. They have been discussed at three consecutive meetings, posted on our Web site and emailed to those of you who have e-mail accounts. They will also be put into this newsletter. Give us your comments on the rules. They are necessary for your safety and the safety of the people around you. We will have new signs made for Northampton, Bolling and Hasman fields. Black Creek had new signs made this spring, so that field is all set. The rules will be posted at each field, on the WEB site for each field, listed in the information pack for new members and will be giving out with each member's renewal.

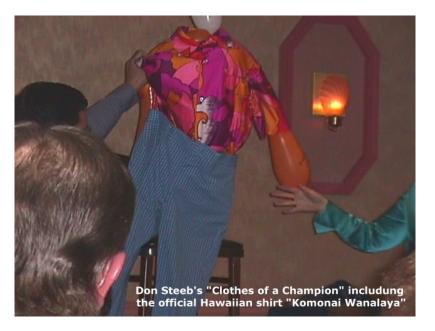
Edison Tech's RC program is looking for some help from one or two of us. **Terry Miller**, the program instructor, attended our meeting on October 23rd, announced that he will be retiring at the end of this school year, explained the state of Edison's program, and asked for help. The program would like to have an instructor come into the school once a week for two hours and give instruction on building RC models. The class size is between six and ten students. He also mentioned that transporting the students to the flying field is not allowed on school buses any more due to the budget crunch and liability concerns. So, if you would like to help in instructing or if you would like to transport four to six students once a week to the field contact Terry at 594-9090.

The meeting on December 11th is our **annual meeting**. This is the most important meeting of the year. It is the meeting where you elect the officers that will run the club for the next two years. All positions are open. All positions have nominees in place but you can still nominate yourself or another member for a position. So come out and be a part of the future of your club.

Also at this meeting, a drawing will be made for the show and tell award. If you have given a show or tell your name will be in the drawing. But guess what. If your name is drawn and you are not at the meeting you do not win. This has happened before and I am sure it will happen again. So here's what you need to do. Get to the next few meetings and give a show or a tell and then make sure you're at the meeting on December 11th.

SAFETY FIRST AND FLY QUIETLY

Joe



Remember the fun we had at last years RCCR Roast.

Plan now to join in the fun.

Have you witnessed an event everyone should know about.

Send your pictures and info to Airflow or to me.

The Annual RCCR Mid-Winter Party and Roast will be Saturday, February 8, at Waver's and will be \$19 per person. Tickets for reservations will be in the January-February newsletter.

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FIELD RULES

COMMON

- 1. A current AMA or MAAC license is required
- 2. Model flying must be in accordance with the AMA National Model Aircraft Safety Code
- 3. Only people essential to flight operations are permitted in the pit area
- Channel numbered clothespin must be in your possession and your license must be displayed on the frequency board before operating
 your transmitter
- 5. Transmitters must be impounded when not in use
- 6. Maximum of four planes in the air at one time
- 7. No taxiing within the pit area
- 8. Flight operations must be from designated pilot stations or control point
- 9. All engines (except for small displacement .09 cubic inch or less) must have an effective muffler (no open, flow through, or stack type mufflers)
- 10. Carry-in/carry-out.
- 11. It is strongly recommended that you do not fly alone

BLACK CREEK PARK

- 1. Gliders and electric powered airplanes only
- 2. No models powered by internal combustion engines allowed
- 3. No flying over playgrounds or populated areas
- 4. Check radio frequency with other pilots before operating transmitter

NORTHAMPTON PARK

- 1. Flying hours are 10 am to sunset
- 2. An observer for full-scale aircraft is required
- 3. Do not fly higher than approximately 400 feet
- 4. Do not fly west of northwest boundary wind sock except when taking off or landing
- 5. Engine testing is to be performed in the designated area
- 6. Tuesday evenings from 4 PM till sunset are reserved for training (May through September)

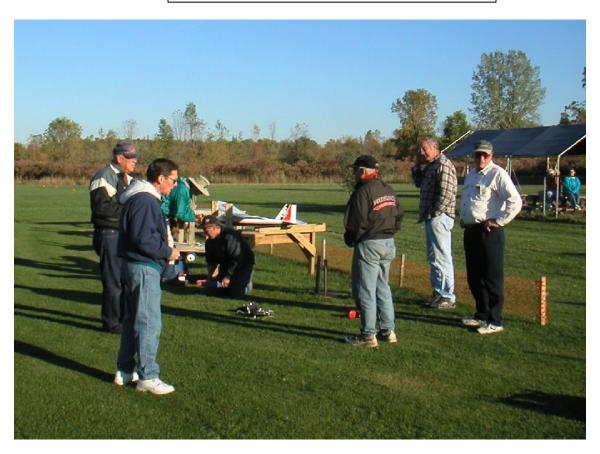
BOLLING FIELD

- 1. RCCR members only
- 2. Flying hours are 9 am till sunset
- 3. Do not fly north of the east/west runway except when taking off or landing (gliders and electric powered airplanes excluded from this rule)
- 4. The last member to leave should check and lock sheds and entrance gate
- 5. Observe entrance road speed limits and keep vehicles off full scale runway

HASMAN FIELD

- 1. RCCR members only
- 2. A special pass, issued by RCCR, is required
- 3. No restrictions on flying hours
- Keep vehicles off all runways.

Memories from the past













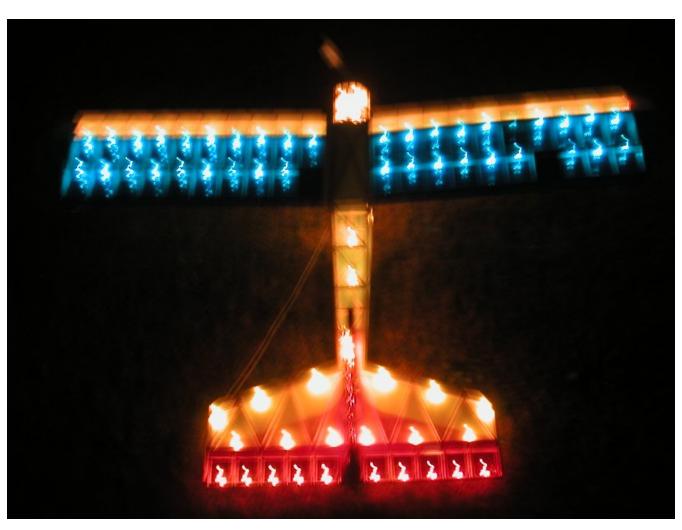








Manny Vella's cub found the ground to be hard this time of year.







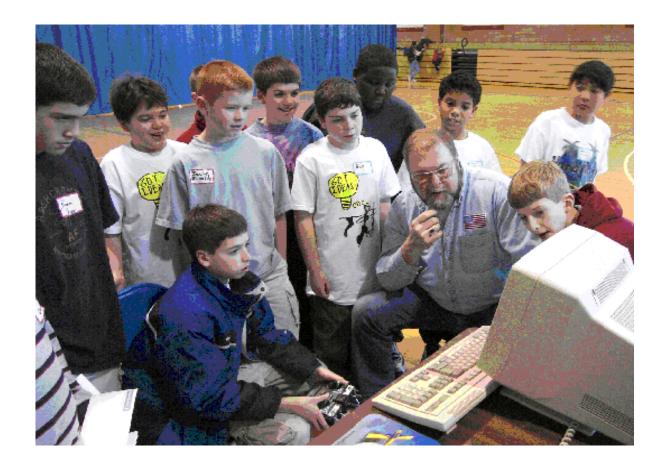














Reminder: Please do not drive on soft ground.

Where did the year go.
Time really does fly when you're having fun.

Happy Holidays --- D & J

