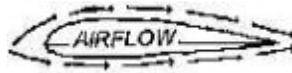


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The purpose of the Radio Control Club of Rochester is to aid and encourage interest in the design, construction and safe operation of radio-controlled model aircraft, boats, and cars.

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

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Summer seems to be dragging its feet again this year. It always seems to be windy, rainy, or a beautiful October day. Too bad it's June. At least the beautiful October days are good for flying.

The months of May and June were busy ones for the RCCR. Our first combat meet in May fielded six participants, with membership director Ed Britton at the helm as CD. With rookie pilot Glen Ruta in his first competition, and Bill Stauber making his triumphant return to R/C combat, there were plenty of cuts and carnage to go around. George Hartman brought his "A" game, and trounced the competition.

For the third year in a row, the soggy conditions at Northampton and the unpredictable early June weather forced us to move our annual Ray Edmunds Memorial Fun Fly to Bolling field. We were more than compensated for the inconvenience with passable weather and an impressive turnout. Over 40 pilots fielded more than 100 planes each day. John Floyd spearheaded the field preparation, which included rolling Bolling and Hasman with a rented industrial roller. If not for the grass, you'd swear that Bolling was paved. Ed Britton kept everyone in line as CD, with Mike Rotherforth serving as flight line "enforcer" and Randy Myers in charge of the transmitter impound. Tom Forsyth, Dick Peterson, and the rest of the concession crew pushed a record number of hots and Italian sausages while Joe Somers and Bob White manned the Abbott's ice cream stand. Dick Brook kept the PA system humming with his running commentary on events as they unfolded, and Glen Ruta did a phenomenal job running the pilots' raffle both days. Don Steeb coordinated the Saturday night pilots' dinner at Bolling, for which the R/C Gypsies provided cover in the form of dining shelters. The Gypsies' two 10x20 shelters lashed together with the RCCR's two 10x20 shelters made for an impressive sight, and helped break the wind that kicked up that evening. Many thanks to everyone who turned out to help and/or participate in the event.

In hopes of catching some better weather for our June Fun Fly next year, the club voted to move it to the fourth weekend of June for 2005. With any luck, we can have our June Fun Fly at Northampton next year, and draw an even bigger crowd than we did this year. Mark it down on your calendars.

Two weeks after the June Fun Fly, Jim Warner put on a second combat meet. This time, it was John Floyd's turn as rookie in his first combat competition, and Greg Kesel's turn to come out of retirement. A total of seven people participated as contestants, with several others rotating in and out as judges as the day went on. By the fourth round, the wind had kicked up and the sun had come out, making for an interesting finale. Overall, it was a relatively clean cut-fest, and the lowest scorer had well over 500 points. Yours truly won the day.

This SSC combat has been growing in popularity in the club, and at our last meeting, we decided to hold another combat competition in mid-September. Pete Durante and/or George Hartman will CD the event. Keep an eye on the club website for further details.

While we can collectively breathe a sigh of relief during the month of July, don't forget that our Great Electric Fun Fly is coming up in August. This little event has been growing year after year, and with the latest developments in electric power and lightweight battery technology, you're guaranteed to see some interesting airplanes. Keep the weekend of August 21-22 open, and plan on being at Bolling.

Time to get back to flying. In the meantime, enjoy the weather, fly safely, and remember to be a good neighbor.

Matt



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2004 RCCR Ray Edmunds Memorial Air Show & Fun Fly



Other Events:

July 17-18 Chiefs 1st annual Air Show, Canandaigua, NY, Site: Club Field, Andrew Eggleston CD 585-924-5153 or contact Lynn Bowerman 585-394-7273

July 17-18 Rochester Airshow Rochester Airport

July 17-18 Niagara Falls, NY Fly Over Niagara Charles Incorvaia CD 716-837-6128

July 24-25 Sky Rovers Flying Club, Phelps NY Dave Reid dreid@capital.net

July 31 Cicero, NY TuffFlights Annual Combat Mark Mozo CD 315-699-8550

July 31 Aug. 1 Dan & Barbs Camp & Fly , Honeyoye, NY

Aug.7- Glenville, NY (C) All Electric Fun Fly In. Site: Maalwyck Park. Rowland Whiteman CD, 562 Sacandaga Rd Scotia NY 12302 PH:518-377-4081

Aug 7 Old Forge, NY (C) Mountain RC Fly In & Airshow. Site: North Street Field. Walt Throne CD, 208 Windemere Rd Syracuse NY 13219 PH:315-488-8935

August 7-8 -Hamburg, NY (C) Scale Rally 2004. Site: Model Airport. Stu Brieley CD, 7595 Backcreek Rd Hamburg NY 14075 PH:716-649-5896. Free camping, no hookups

The Great Electric Fun Fly

August 21st and 22nd

At Bolling Field

Brockport, NY

All types of electric flying models, fun events, and plenty of food!

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