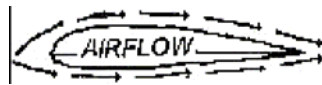


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The purpose of the Radio Control Club of Rochester is to aid and encourage interest in the design, construction and safe operation of radio-controlled model aircraft, boats, and cars.

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

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

From May 23rd until September 2007, the RCCR meetings are 7:30 p.m. at Hasman Field, 1 mile west of Union Street (Hwy 259), behind Abe's restaurant, north side of Ridge Road (hwy 104), entrance is directly across from the KwikFill

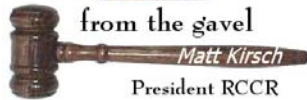
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Sample the Gavel



Can we put on a show or what? The 20th Ray Edmunds Memorial is now on the books, and we came out pretty darned well on the deal. With moderate temperatures and near-perfect flying weather both days, ice cream sales weren't the briskest, but the money not spent on cool refreshments went straight into the raffle ticket barrel for chances on several gifts provided courtesy of Great Planes, Performance Hobbies, The Hobby House, and PAETEC Communications. (Yes, my place of employment) We

gave away four planes, a Futaba FASST radio system, and Rochester Rhinos tickets in the pay raffle, and and a ton of Great Planes swag to the pilots.

Prepping, setup, operating, and cleanup took a tremendous effort on the part of a good portion of the club. There were close to 30 members at the Friday work party, and I think we set a new "Lunch Bunch" record with 23 people at Two Brothers' Restaurant in Brockport. The effort didn't start Friday, though; the grounds crew spent weeks prior to the event knocking down as much tall grass as they could at Northampton, installing four new culverts on the North side of the runway, and cleaning drainage ditches. The field was in absolutely beautiful condition for our annual flagship event. While I don't normally like to drop names, I must thank the Northampton mowing crew, Ed Wingate and Les Roggow in particular, for all the time they spend in the seats of those tractors out there beating the grass into submission.

Originally, we had Team Futaba pilot Dan Landis scheduled to return again this year by popular demand, but he had to go and get a job on us. For those who weren't at the meeting, Dan is currently in the employ of the US Government flying UAVs in the Middle East that would make his 46% Ultimate look like a park flyer. Even though he stood us up, we should wish Dan the best with his new job, and hope he doesn't become a stranger.

As great a guest as Dan was last year, we have plenty of world-class talent right in our own back yard! I believe I need only say one name for you to know who I'm talking about: Devin. Devin stepped up to the plate and not only hit a home run, he knocked over the scoreboard, broke the bat, and set off a few car alarms in the parking lot, figuratively speaking of course. Our good friend from Webster, "mixmaster" Kyle Stacy made more than a few people gasp for breath with his trademark helicopter hijinks, and fellow RAMS member "Claymore" Wheaton made a Herculean effort to get his new ¼ scale CAP232 dialed in for the airshows. Various warbirds, including SSC combat, a flight of Stearmans (or is it Stearmen?) and the "comedy duo" of Ewell and Forsyth with the B-17 rounded out the airshow on both days to the delight of a good-sized crowd.

I could go on for pages and pages giving credit where credit is due and still miss someone, so I'll have to simply say THANKS to everyone that pitched in to maintain the high standard we've set for our June Fun Fly.

July is typically our month off, the month we take to visit events at other clubs and return the courtesy they gave us in attending our meet. The Olean meet, RAMS meet, Chiefs meet, Sky Rovers meet, Hendershot's fly-in breakfast, and Geneseo airshow all run in the month of July. So much for relaxing... Just don't forget our July combat meet on Saturday the 21st. It starts at 9AM and should be over by early afternoon. We need scorers, and a peanut gallery along with participants. I know we've sold a bunch of those combat planes to club members... Dust 'em off and give combat competition a try!

Our next big thing is the Electric Fun Fly in August. Jerry's got it in the AMA contest calendar for the 17th - 18th, but believe me, it's the 18th - 19th. I'd really like to grow our electric fun fly a little, with more participants and certainly more spectators, so spread the word, print off a few flyers and pass them around, and if you've got any ideas to help get the word out, I'd love to hear them.



WHAT IS A LEADER CLUB? by Bob McClure

The Leader Club awards were first started by AMA in 1993 in order to recognize the leadership of an AMA Chartered Club which meets certain standards of community service and activity. To be considered for the Leader Club award a club must meet the minimum criteria.

AMA has established goals for Leader Club status. Six of these goals are required. (The District Vice President may waive one of these requirements for participation) A club that meets the required goals, plus three of the electives, qualifies as a Bronze level Leader Club. Meeting the required plus six electives qualifies the club for the Silver level. The ultimate recognition, Gold level, requires that all nine electives be met.

Each goal must be documented. In the event an elective does not pertain to your club's operation, an explanation included with your club's application is all that is necessary for inclusion in the program. For example, a club that is a soaring club exclusively and uses only winches or hi-starts will not have to deal with sound limitations at their field. Consequently, they remain eligible for Gold status. Their explanation will satisfy elective #5. The same holds true for a free flight club that is not faced with frequency concerns. Elective #1 would be satisfied by an explanation of their specific situation. Each year your club will be sent forms and instructions by which the club will be able to show the goals met, and the awards will be made and announced in Model Aviation magazine.

When a club qualifies for Leader Club status it receives

- A certificate from AMA Headquarters.
- A gold, silver or bronze finished pin for each current club member in the first year.
- Published recognition in Model Aviation and listing on AMA Web site, www.modelaircraft.org.
- Inclusion in the annual list of Leader Clubs.

Gold Leader Clubs also receive

- An engraved ID plate for the club field bulletin board.
- In the year following the fifth and tenth consecutive year of Gold Leader Club status, each club member will receive a special Five or Ten Year patch.

Required Activity for Leader Club Status

(For a deserving club to be considered for Leader Club status the District Vice President may waive one of the requirements for participation.)

1. Club has been chartered with the Academy for five consecutive years.
2. Club membership must be open to all AMA members and not limited to a certain number.
3. Club has posted safety and operational rules at our flying sites.
4. We have sent a copy of our safety and operation rules to AMA Headquarters.
5. Our flying site has separate areas for flying and spectators.
6. The AMA Safety Code is posted and visible at the club field.

Electives (three for Bronze, six for Silver, all nine for Gold)

1. Club has implemented and enforces a frequency control plan that allows all 50 RC channels to be used at its club flying site where RC is allowed.
2. Club donates to the AMA Scholarship Program or donates a Model Aviation subscription to schools or libraries.
3. Club conducts a review of the AMA Safety Code at a club meeting at least once a year.
4. Club sponsors an annual public event, such as a mall show, flying show, or demonstration.
5. Club monitors noise levels and/or institutes club field rules such as a requirement that models be operated at a maximum of 90 db at 9 feet.
6. Club has created an informational handout and provides it to the general public.
7. Club participates in charity programs or public fund-raising events.
8. Club has a formal lease or written agreement for the use of its flying site, or owns its site.
9. Club participates in the AMA Introductory Pilot Program or has its own instructional program.

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May 4, 2007

Radio Control Club of Rochester
Richard Brook
657 Magee Avenue
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Dear Radio Control Club of Rochester:

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you on qualifying as a 2007 Gold Leader Club.

I will notify your District Vice President of your new status.

Again, congratulations on your new "Leader Club" status and thank you for your positive contributions to the sport of aeromodeling.

Sincerely,

Erin Dobbs
Programs Coordinator

cc: Dave Mathewson, District II Vice President

Minutes of the Meetings:

Minutes from May 9, 2007 meeting at Salem Church:

Officers Present: Matt Kirsch – Pres, Rich Brook – Sec, Bob White – Memb,
Ed Britton - VP/Prog

New Members: None

Guests: None

Membership Report: 95 Members for 2007 – Pat LaVigne voted in

Programs Report: None

Field Report:

- Bolling and Hasman fields rolled - Smooth
- NH work party a success. Reinforced the chain link fence. Removed the old wood bridge. Replaced one flight station fence that was stolen. Need to put in culverts

Committees:

- **Field Monitoring Committee –**
- **Field Search Committee:** Currently deactivated
- **Sound Committee:** Huh???
- **Turbine Committee:** The Turbine Committee met and created the final draft of the field rule amendments for turbine fliers. Matt read the amendments and there was a discussion. Matt suggested that the final proposals be reviewed at the upcoming BOD meeting and then presented to the club for approval
- **Events:**
 - Bernie Kulbacki commented that the Hobby House needed copies of our June FF flier, for distribution to customers. Rich Brook would deliver
 - 50th Anniversary Tshirts are available. Our next May meeting will be a celebration night for 50th Anniversary
 - Great Electric FF – We have the Sanction. Fliers will be going out

Old Business:

- The Rochester Wings – Good turnout
- Training Night – We have had a light turnout
- Combat Meet - 21st of July
- BOD meeting is scheduled

New Business: None

Announcements:

- Next meeting is on May 23, 2007, at Hasman Field.
- Great Electric FF – Aug 18 - 19
- Chiefs' Float Fly – May 19-20
- Sky Rover's FF - 28-29th

Show and Tell:

Matt Kirsch – Foam airplane stand
Ron McGrath – Edge foamie

50/50 – ?

Minutes from the May 23, 2007 meeting at Hasman Field:

Officers Present: Matt Kirsch – Pres, Rich Brook – Sec, Bob White – Memb,
Ed Britton - VP/Prog, Jim DeTar - Tres

New Members: None

Guests: Bill Jerew

Membership Report: 100 Members for 2007 – Bill Jerew voted in

Programs Report: Rich Brook's Yak54 and Ice Cream

Field Report:

- Norm Hasman is back
- Fields look great
- Dining canopies will go up tomorrow
- The old PortaPottie is still at Hasman Field, but the new one is at Bolling Field

Committees:

- **Field Monitoring Committee –**
- **Field Search Committee:** Currently deactivated
- **Sound Committee:** Huh???
- **Turbine Committee:** The Board of Directors have met and proposed Field Rules changes, including Turbine rules, will be reviewed at next meeting
- **Events:**
 - Dick Foster will obtain the vendor permit, soon
 - Casey DiCarlo is no longer the MC Parks scheduler
 - We need to put in for the Food Permit
 - 50 dinners will be obtained for the Pilot's Dinner at the June FF. We will get some quotes for the food supplier
 - Dan Landis has been offered a job with the US Government and will not be attending our June FF. Other options will be explored
 - We have obtained more RCCR 50th Anniversary Tshirts

Old Business:

- The St John Fisher event was a success. We need more participants, next year
- The Bolling Field Open Weekend will be the last week in May
- Combat Meet - 21st of July. Need pilots

New Business:

- We have received confirmation the RCCR has again qualified for Gold Leader Club Status
- Andres Rodriguez suggested we donate, this year, to the US Marine Corps's Toys For Tots.
- Ed Britton reports that the AMA Executive Director has forwarded congratulations, to our club, for our 50th Anniversary

Announcements:

- Next meeting is on June 13, 2007, at Hasman Field.
- Great Electric FF – Aug 18 - 19
- Chiefs' Electric FF – June 16-17
- RCCR June FF – June 24-25
- Jets over the Heartland – Winamac, Ind, June 17-25
- Sky Rover's FF – July 28-29th

Show and Tell: None

50/50 – ?

Minutes from the June 13, 2007 meeting at Hasman Field:

Officers Present: Matt Kirsch – Pres, Rich Brook – Sec, Bob White – Memb,
Ed Britton - VP/Prog, Jim DeTar - Tres

New Members: None

Guests: Karl Rosner

Membership Report: 101 Members for 2007 – Karl Rosner voted in

Programs Report: Sun and Fun

Field Report:

- Traditional work party scheduled for 9am, June 22, to setup for June FF
- 4 new culverts have been installed, at NH, on the N side of the runway

Committees:

- **Field Monitoring Committee** – Trevor Ewell commented that Scott Miller's new Quique Yak 54 was quiet
- **Field Search Committee:** Currently deactivated
- **Turbine Committee:** The final draft of the newly proposed Turbine jet operation field rules, was presented to the club and approved. An offer was extended, to any club member, to volunteer for the Turbine Committee. Karl Rosner was added to that committee.
- **Events:**
 - NH park has been reserved for our June FF. Lisa Nicolai is the new MC Park person responsible for reservations
 - The Pilots' dinner will be catered, again, by the Merchants St Smoke House. \$10 per club member.
 - Advertising has been completed
 - Anniversary RCCR Club Tshirts are still available. \$10/member - \$15/non-member
 - We need staff for the Transmitter Impound and Registration table
 - The Sound Rules have been relaxed, just for the June FF
 - Jerry Joseph reports that letters have been sent out for the Great Electric FF. Some prizes have been donated by FMA and Castle Creations. Some prizes were left over from last year

Old Business:

- A Combat Meet has been sanctioned for July 21 at Hasman Field
- It was suggested that the dining canopy was no longer needed, at NH, since most pilots use the trees for shade

New Business:

- Bolling Field free weekend will be June 15-17

Announcements:

- Next meeting is on June 27, 2007, at Hasman Field. Bob White will bring the doughnuts
- Great Electric FF – Aug 18 - 19
- Chiefs' Electric FF – June 16
- RCCR June FF – June 24-25
- Jets over the Heartland – Winamac, Ind, June 17-25
- Sky Rover's FF – July 28-29th

Show and Tell:

Bob White – Garmin GPS - \$40 – Aldi's at Long Pond and Latta store

Minutes from the June 27, 2007 meeting at Hasman Field:

Officers Present: Matt Kirsch – Pres, Rich Brook – Sec, Bob White – Memb,
Ed Britton - VP/Prog, Jim DeTar - Tres

New Members: None

Guests: None

Membership Report: 103 Members for 2007

Programs Report: Sunny, Hazy, Windy

Field Report:

- All fields are in good shape
- We will leave the dining canopy at NH as not everyone has chairs to sit under the trees

Committees:

- **Field Monitoring Committee**
- **Field Search Committee:** Currently deactivated
- **Turbine Committee:** Rich Brook has completed his first certification demo flight at Hendershot's Airport.
- **Events:**
 - June FF – Dick Foster thanks club members for their participation in support of the June FF Concession Stand. We realized a concession stand profit of \$654.16. As a comparison, our profit from the 2006 June FF was \$876.
 - Bob White offers thanks to Phil Evans and Joe Somers for their support of the Ice Cream booth. Profit from the sales of Ice Cream, Raffle Tickets, Tshirts, and Hats, totaled \$700
 - Jim DeTar reports an overall profit of \$650, after expenses such as the PortaPotties, BBQ Dinner, etc.
 - John Floyd thanks everyone for help in setup for the June FF. Special thanks go out to Ed Wingate and Les Roggow for the mowing prep. Please forward any suggestions as to what was done Right or Wrong, to John Floyd
 - The Spectator Tents held over 80 people
 - The Campers were pleased with the condition of the Camping Area
 - Jerry Joseph reports that he has received additional donated prizes, from Master Airscrew, for the August Great Electric FF

Old Business:

- A Combat Meet has been sanctioned for July 21 at Hasman Field

New Business:

- Matt Kirsch has successfully completed the requirements for AMA CD
- Joe Somers requests that the club acquire a Field Box and Starting Battery for Training Night at NH

Announcements:

- Next meeting is on July 11, 2007, at Hasman Field. Bob White – doughnuts
- July 4th picnic, at Greg Kesel's
- Great Electric FF – Aug 18 - 19
- Chiefs' FF – July 21
- RCCR Combat Meet – July 21
- Capitol Jets – July 20-22
- Sky Rover's FF – July 28-29th

Show and Tell:

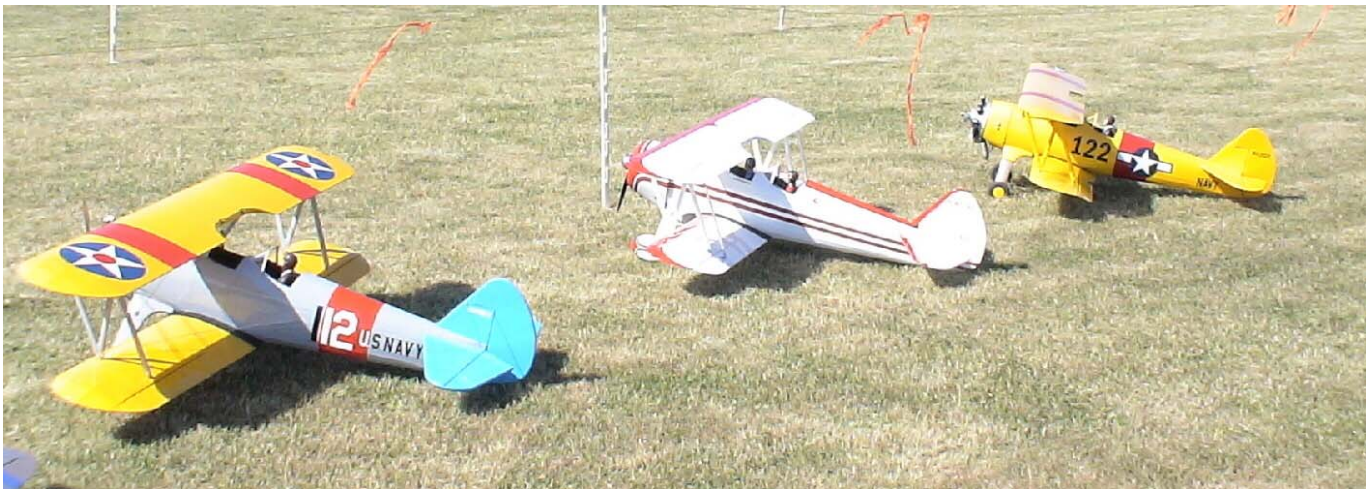
Ron McGrath

50/50 – None

June Fun Fly



Trevor taxis in the B-17 after another successful bombing mission.



Stearmans lined up ready for their group flight



Some of the stars of the show



Who's that in the SBD's rear seat? Gerry Merz, of course.