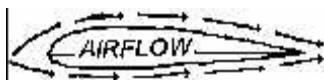


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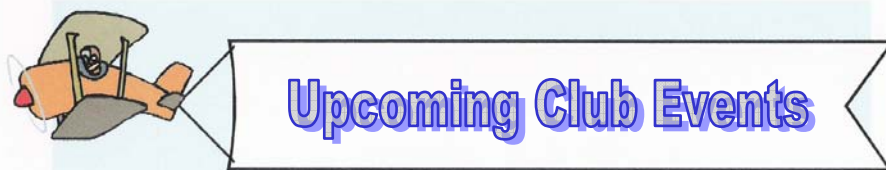
All visitors are always welcome at the Northampton Park Model Flying field and at regular meetings. Note that Meetings are scheduled for the second and fourth Wednesday of every month at 7:30 PM. During the colder months they are held at Our Mother of Sorrows Church, located at 5000 Mt. Read Blvd in Greece.

From May 28th until September 2008, the RCCR meetings are 7:30 PM 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

FOR THE LATEST INFO:

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Meetings:

May 13 - RCCR Meeting 7:30 p.m. at Our Mother of Sorrows Church
May 27 - RCCR Meeting 7:30 p.m. at Hasman Field
June 9 - RCCR Meeting 7:30 p.m. at Hasman Field
June 23 - RCCR Meeting 7:30 p.m. at Hasman Field

Other Events:

June 13 - RC Combat Meet (Slow Survivable Combat) at Hasman Field (9 am signup, 10 am start combat)
June 27 & 28 - The 22nd Annual RCCR Ray Edmonds Memorial June Fun Fly
May through September:
"Monday Night Fights" unofficial RC Combat dogfighting practice at Hasman field from about 4:30 until sunset
"Tuesday Training Night" Reserved for Training at Northampton Field from 4 PM until sunset



from the gavel
Matt Kirsch
President RCCR

Sample the Gavel

I can't begin to count the number of columns I've written on flying safety and field etiquette, so I'm not going to write one here. My message here is quite simple: We all know what we're supposed to do. The hard part is doing it, and doing it consistently. As we get into full swing here this flying season, just remember to use your head, and make sure those around you are using their heads as well. If we all do that, we'll have a great flying season.

This time around, I thought I'd take inventory of the activities that the RCCR will be undertaking this flying season. We've got something for just about everyone, and plenty of work that needs to be done to keep our facilities ready for everyone's enjoyment.

First and foremost, we wouldn't have places to fly if the fields weren't maintained. Both Northampton and Hasman need to be mowed a minimum of once a week, twice when the weather is right. The grounds crews can always use someone to spell them on a tractor or better yet, someone to be a regular mower. Ed Wingate and Les Roggow are the foremen at Northampton, while Joe Somers and Craig Donaldson head the Hasman crew. If you can help out, even once, let these guys know. We're going to have a few work parties ahead of us too, with the Northampton parking lot expansion.

Now this is important: Monday is a mowing day at Northampton, period. There are 2 or 3 Monday holidays that fall during flying season. You may have the day off but our mowers don't. They are taking time out of their busy schedules to VOLUNTEER to mow the field for you. They may not be able to do it another day. Instead of giving them crap for interrupting your day off, give them an hour to knock down the grass, of better yet, hop on a mower and help them get it done quicker. Mowing times are clearly posted on the pin board. Please respect those times.

In addition to every day flying, we hold two weekly events. Monday Night Fights at Hasman is our weekly combat practice. We fly the AMA Slow Survivable Combat class from 4PM until the sun goes down. Even if you don't fly combat, don't let that stop you. Hasman is still open to flying in between rounds; we don't discriminate. So far, one official contest is scheduled, and that's on June 13th at Hasman field. That one's for money, so we're going to let it all hang out.

Tuesday is our traditional Trainer Night at Northampton, as it has been for years. Know someone that wants to learn to fly? Bring them out any time after 4PM on Tuesday and we'll put them up on the club trainer to give them their first taste of flight. Our instructors are more than happy to check out new equipment, teach engine tuning, and most importantly, teach flying. Even if you've successfully soloed, we're more than happy to be there for moral support during that intermediate phase when you start expanding your horizons into basic aerobatics, windy-day landings, etc..

Our annual fun flies are June 27-28 for the Ray Edmunds Memorial, and August 15-16 for the Great Electric Fun Fly. Both meets are at Northampton again this year, and the day before each meet is reserved for setup. Don't worry about that, though. Setup usually only takes 2-3 hours, leaving the rest of the day for what else? I'll leave that to your imagination.

As you can see, there is plenty to do this season with the RCCR, and that doesn't even take into account all the other flying events going on around us. Make sure you get out and enjoy it.

Wanted:

"Futaba Model 9 CAP" transmitter in good condition. Channel doesn't matter as I will be using my own transmitter module. Contact: George Hartman (585) 594-0265
georgehartman@sprintmail.com

Minutes from Mar 11, 2009 meeting at OMOS

Officers Present: Matt Kirsch – Pres, Bill Gerew – VP, Rich Brook – Sec, Jim Capuano – Memb, Jim DeTar - Tres

New Members: None

Guests: Bruce Kreiger

Membership Report: 90 paid members – 28 yet to renew

Programs Report: General Flying, 50/50, Roast Presentation

Field Report:

- Joe Somers reports that the meeting with the MCP has been rescheduled 3 times. Next opportunity is Thurs, Mar 12
- Jim Blokel will be assisting in the removal of brush from the area designated for the NH Parking Lot Expansion
- John Floyd cut apart one of the combination locks used to secure the gate at Hasman Field, to demonstrate where the lock was binding.

Committees:

- **Field Monitoring Committee:** None
- **Field Search Committee:** None
- **Turbine Committee:** None
- **Events:**
 - Annual Ray Edmunds Memorial FF in June
 - Annual Great Electric FF in August

Old Business:

- Brighton High School Festival of Ideas was a great success. We had 4 Flight Sims running and a number of Vapors in the air, with Buddy Boxes. There were 14 club members in attendance and three groups of 15 kids each over a 3 hour period. A Thank You letter was received and an offer to expand our flying space to the entire gym. They took photos which will be included in their FOI flyer.
- Rich Brook reports that we received confirmation of our club acceptance into the 2009 AMA Gold Leader Club
- Ed Britton and Bill Gerew will be sending out Prize Requests for our upcoming events. Flyers should be ready by next meeting

New Business:

- AMA Charter renewal has been sent in. The fee was raised 30% this year
- Greg Kesel has not heard any details on the annual Rochester Wings event at the Greater Rochester International Airport
- Don Steeb has not yet received details on the upcoming St John Fisher Science Days event, usually in late May
- An RIT Aero Indoor Electric flying event was held at the RIT Field House. Gary Fitch, our AMA Dist II VP was in attendance. You never know where you are going to run into him as he travels everywhere. Kyle Stacey and Devin McGrath put on Demos. Greg Covey was also in attendance. It was suggested that better advertising would have improved the attendance
- Get ready for the Toledo Weak Signals Show in April

Announcements:

- Next meeting is on Mar 25, 2009 at Our Mother of Sorrows Church Hall
- Toledo Show
- Canandaigua Chiefs Swap/Auction – Mar 21

Show and Tell:

- Bill Stauber – Precision Aerobatics Ultimate
- Les Rogow – Hobby Lobby Mini Telemaster
- John Floyd – Eflite Ultra Stick
- Matt Kirsch – Nitro Models Bobcat 50
- Tony Joseph – Blade MCX Upgrades

50/50 – Jim Sample

Minutes from Mar 25, 2009 meeting at OMOS

Officers Present: Matt Kirsch – Pres, Bill Gerew – VP, Rich Brook – Sec, Jim Capuano – Memb, Jim DeTar - Tres

New Members: None

Guests: Keith Buckingham

Membership Report: 91 paid members

Programs Report: None

Field Report:

- John Floyd reports that he spoke with Dave Rinaldo, MCP, and received the OK to begin work on the NH Parking Lot Expansion
- Jim Blokel ran a Bobcat with a HedgeHog attachment and with the help of other RCCR club members, removed trees and brush from the Expansion area. Approximately 5 hours of work.
- John Floyd sent an email to Dave Rinaldo detailing the work we did and inquiring as to what the MCP will be able to do, such as delivery and spreading of gravel. He also asked about charging fees at events, 50/50 raffles, and the use of commercial business such as Davey Tree and Landscape to assist in our Expansion project.
- John Floyd will keep on top of these issues.
- Matt Kirsch built a roller from a tubular shell for rolling the fields. It was pulled behind Matts tractor, at Hasman
- Joe Somers and Bill Wegman cleared debris near the drainage ditch, at Hasman

Committees:

- **Field Monitoring Committee:** None
- **Field Search Committee:** Ron McGrath resigned as chair of this committee. We are looking for a volunteer
- **Turbine Committee:** None
- **Events:**

Old Business:

- A flyer is being created for the June FF
- Gary Fitch, AMA DII VP informed Ed Britton that the Sanction for our June FF has been approved. There is an Erie/Niagra event that same weekend, but it will not affect us.. There is a backlog, at AMA, for sending out Sanctions as only one person is assigned to the task.
- Tom McCoy is working on a list of prizes for the June FF. Dan Landis will once again be invited and there is a possibility that Quique Somenzini may show up
- Greg Kesel reports that there is no news, yet, on the status of the Rochester Wings event
- Don Steeb reports that he has not yet received details on the annual St, John Fisher Science Expo, in May

New Business:

- Bill Wegman reported that we need a volunteer to handle the RCCR club meeting refreshments – There was some discussion regarding buying coffee at Tim Hortons – We had a short term volunteer to handle the job until we move the meeting to Hasman at the end of May
- John Floyd announced that there would be a work party, Mar 28, at Hasman, to roll and clean up debris - 10am

Announcements:

- Next meeting is on April 8, 2009 at Our Mother of Sorrows Church Hall
- Toledo Show – April 3-5
- Flaps Auction – April 12
- West Seneca Auction – Mar 28
- Canandaigua Auction – Mar 28

Show and Tell:

- Bobby White – Described the use of Stem Cell Powder to regrow a finger tip that had been severed
- Bill Gerew announced that there will be a Town Hall Meeting to discuss the Rt531 extension project near NH park
- Keith Buckingham – Stagger Wing Beech

50/50 – Don Phillips

Minutes from Apr 8, 2009 meeting at OMOS

Officers Present: Matt Kirsch – Pres, Bill Gerew – VP, Rich Brook – Sec, Jim Capuano – Memb, Jim DeTar - Tres

New Members: None

Guests: Carl Ayers - Spencerport

Membership Report: 92 paid members with 26 still not renewed – Robert Roberts has submitted an application – We are awaiting his attendance at a meeting

Programs Report: Russ Steenhoff

Field Report:

- The Hasman Field work party successfully cleaned up debris along the entrance road and the N/S runway. Rolling was done. Dick Foster inquired about the status of the ruts on the runway. John Floyd indicated that there were still a few divots left for him to fill
- Another work party will be scheduled for NH, soon

Committees:

- **Field Monitoring Committee:** None
- **Field Search Committee:** There is currently an opening for the Field Search Committee Chairperson
- **Turbine Committee:** None
- **Events:**

Old Business:

- No new news on the June FF
- We do have a sanction for the Great Electric FF
- The Rochester Wings event, at the Rochester International Airport, is scheduled for June 5-6. We will attend.
- Don Steeb reports that the St John Fisher Science Exploration event will take place on May 13-14. We will attend.

New Business:

- At a recently held AMA Chapter Meeting, Gary Fitch, our AMA Dist II VP, announced that the Districts will now be divided up into Chapters, by AVP's. Matt Kirsch has a CD describing the various AMA Programs, the Benefits to joining AMA and the Challenges facing the AMA. Matt also has a supply of AMA Membership Drive flyers

Announcements:

- Next meeting is on April 22, 2009 at Our Mother of Sorrows Church Hall
- St. John Fisher Science Exploration Days – May 13-14
- Flaps Auction – April 12
- Rochester Wings – June 5-6

Show and Tell:

- Paul Weigand – Reported on Dom Cognata's F4 and F5 jet crashes and the Jetti 2.4 Telemetry
- Mike Rotherforth – D+C article on What to do for Free – Mike contacted them regarding possible coverage of the June FF and Combat events
- Bill Gerew – Reported that the Rt531 extension project has been scrapped as it was too expensive – Some minor work may be done. He also reported that the Kwikfill Gas Station, across from Hasman Field, will be closed for renovation
- Don Steeb – Reported on a 23' dirigible model that Bob Clemens's relative built, tried to fly, crashed, and will be rebuilt and the Virus battery
- Bob White reports that Lou Soriero is doing better
- Trevor Ewell reported on the Weak Signals RC Trade Show
- John Floyd reported on the Saturn 5 rocket that was on display at the Toledo Show. It will be flown, soon
- Matt Kirsch reported on the How High Altimeter
- Pete Durante reported that the latest Tower Hobbies Tower Talk contained discounts on Castle Creations products

Minutes from Apr 22, 2009 meeting at OMOS

Officers Present: Matt Kirsch – Pres, Bill Gerew – VP, Rich Brook – Sec, Jim Capuano – Memb, Jim DeTar - Tres

New Members: None

Guests: Robert Roberts

Membership Report: 97 paid members, including Robert Roberts, who was voted in - 22 still not renewed

Programs Report: Bill Gerew-AMA DVD

Field Report:

- Hasman Field – First mowing – Ruts filled
- NH is open – Field Rolled – First mowing – Training night in two weeks – Freq boards and signs to be installed

Committees:

- **Field Monitoring Committee:** None
- **Field Search Committee:** Pete Durante has volunteered to chair the Field Search Committee
- **Turbine Committee:** None
- **Events:**
 - Ed Wingate spoke to the NH park foreman, regarding the Parking Lot Expansion project. Parks crews are currently working at Canal Ponds Park and they are not sure when they can move to NH
 - The St John Fisher Science Expo will be May 13-14
 - Greg Kesel will inquire regarding the status of the Rochester Wings event

Old Business:

- It was brought to our attention that the Consumer Protection Agency has decided that All JR DX6i Tx's should be recalled due to some having faulty Stick Pots.

New Business:

- Jim Warner needs a list of whom should be receiving RCCR Newsletters in hardcopy format
- Help is needed for the upcoming RCCR Combat Meet
- Jim Warner reports that Combat fliers have been invited to put on a Demo at the July STARS Scale Rally, in Olean
- RCCombat.com has rules posted for Slow Survivable Combat
- Bob McClure reports that he has received an email from Josh Wagner, at RIT, indicating their Model Club has built a 13ft aircraft that weighs 35lbs and is powered by a 50cc gas engine. They need assistance getting it airborne

Announcements:

- Next meeting is on May 13, 2009 at Our Mother of Sorrows Church Hall – This is the last Indoor meeting until Sept.
- St. John Fisher Science Exploration Days – May 13-14
- Rochester Airshow at the Lake – May 30-31
- Rochester Wings – June 5-6

Show and Tell:

- Jerry Joseph – Aviation VHS Tapes
- John Floyd – Box of Free stuff
- Pete Fierentino – USB Hub
- Ed Wingate – Harbor Freight Metal Detector
- Matt Kirsch – Blackhorse Models OV1 Mowhawk – Twin electric
- Paul Weigand – Ron McGrath's KMP Tigercat
- Dick Peterson – ITCANFLY electric
- Greg Kesel – Aeroworks finger operated Practice Plane
- Dale Romognolo – Gavi 200V2 SE Heli
- Ron McGrath – ETOC in new gym at Toledo
- Bill Gerew – Hobby People Quick one P jet

50/50 –