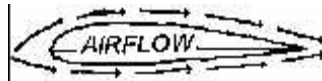


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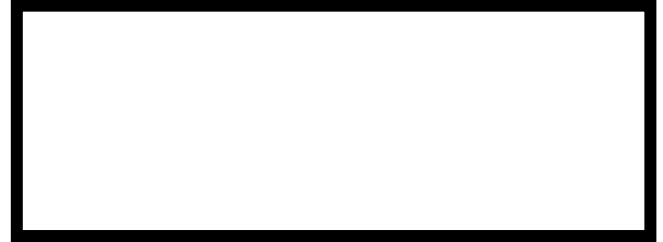
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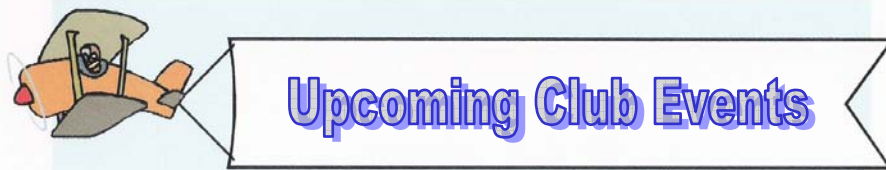
All visitors are always welcome at the Northampton Park Model Flying field and at regular meetings. Note that Meetings are scheduled for the second and fourth Wednesday of every month at 7:30 PM. During the colder months they are held at Our Mother of Sorrows Church, located at 5000 Mt. Read Blvd in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

From May 27th until September 2009, 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

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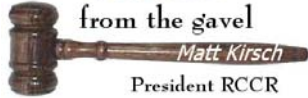
July 8 - RCCR Meeting 7:30 p.m. at Hasman Field
July 22 - RCCR Meeting 7:30 p.m. at Hasman Field
Aug. 12 - RCCR Meeting 7:30 p.m. at Hasman Field
Aug. 26 - RCCR Meeting 7:30 p.m. at Hasman Field

Other Events:

Aug. 15 & 16 - The Great Electric Fun Fly at Northampton Park field
Aug. 29 - RCCR - SSC Combat Meet at Hasman field
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

Sample the Gavel



If you weren't there for the June Fun Fly this year, you missed an adventure. This one could be named "The First Annual Ray Edmunds Memorial MUUUUUUD FEEEEEST. (imagine announcer shouting "SUNDAY SUNDAY SUNDAY!" in the background)."

Things started out innocently enough with setup on Friday morning. A light shower popped up early on, and for a moment we considered relocating to the normal side of the field, but the sun came out and the weather report looked promising. The RC Gypsies started to arrive, and lined up at the high end of the field just in case. We finished setting up and headed off to lunch.

I returned to the field after lunch with the intention of setting up the sound system and doing some flying. During lunch the skies had darkened and rumbles of thunder could be heard in the distance. The weather radar showed that a heavy storm had just passed to the south, so we thought we'd dodged the bullet, and there was nothing but smooth sailing ahead for the rest of the weekend...

That's when it started to rain. It only rained a little at first, but then it cut loose. It must've rained at least two inches because during the worst of it, reports are that the field was completely under water. I was hiding inside my trailer, which was down by the runway completely surrounded by water. The trailer doesn't have windows so I was blissfully unaware of the maelstrom going on outside.

When it finally stopped raining, the drainage ditches on both sides of the runway were running full, and water was pouring out of the underbrush near the spectator fence. If you're online, search youtube under the username "BubbaMcClure." His videos of the aftermath don't do it justice. Hopefully he'll get some of the pictures up on the website.

Dan Landis and his father Rich arrived a little after 2:00PM, and proceeded to wind up axle-deep in the mud. After pushing and pulling for about an hour, and only managing to move the Landis's truck about two feet, we were finally able to round up the services of two 4x4 trucks. With the combined efforts of Vince Mancuso and Ron McGrath, we had the Landises back on high ground and headed for the car wash.

Dan and Rich came back the next morning and stayed most of the day, making several flights with some pretty big planes. Those two are definitely good sports, and it's always a pleasure to have them at our fun flies. Unfortunately they had another engagement on Sunday, so they were back on the road by 5:00PM.

Sunday morning came and while the field had dried out significantly, it was hardly dry. Rain was forecast so the Gypsies were busy packing up. By 11:00AM, it was obvious that we were on borrowed time, and we called it a day at 12:30PM. Just as we finished moving everything back to the South side of the field, and the last car left, the rains started again, so we lucked out on that front.

Overall, the meet was a small financial loss for the club due to the shortened program on Sunday, but for the most part people had a good time. Despite the wet conditions there was a decent crowd on Saturday afternoon, and there was a lot of interest in the planes and the hobby. We'll get 'em next time.

Minutes from May 13, 2009 meeting at OMOS

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

New Members: None

Guests: John Portinova

Membership Report: 99 paid members

Programs Report: 50/50

Field Report:

- Hasman Field and NH park are looking good

Committees:

- **Field Monitoring Committee:**

- Based upon the sound survey done last fall, keeping the flight path of your aircraft East of the tree line is the easiest way to avoid annoying the neighbors on Rt 260.

- Scott Miller suggested setting up sillouets of aircraft to use as reference points. This has been done at other club's flying fields

- **Field Search Committee:** Pete Durante has volunteered to chair the Field Search Committee

- **Turbine Committee:** None

- **Events:**

Old Business:

- The June FF at NH Park is 6 weeks away. Dick Peterson, charismatic Director of Concessions, assured the president that all requirements had been met regarding the Concession Stand Operation.
- June FF posters are available
- Invitations will be sent out to area clubs and other interested parties
- The Great Electric FF is 3 months away
- June 13 is the first Combat Meet
- Rochester Wings is scheduled for June 4-5. It will be in the Large Hangar. Greg Kesel will make the reservations
- Don Steeb was attending the St John Fisher Science Expo
- Greg Kesel asked if the RCCR wanted to have a booth at this year's Rochester Airshow at Ontario Beach. Club members working the booth would be able to park in the lot.
- Ed Braiman has been moved to the Rochester Gables Assisted Living Facility
- Previously, it was reported that the Consumer Protection Agency had ordered Horizon Hobbies to recall All D6Xi transmitters, for problems with the Stick Pots. Recent information indicates that only the Tx's with specific ID numbers need to be returned, not all D6Xi Tx's
- Josh Wagner, from RIT, displayed a 13' RC aircraft, that he and his team designed and built, at RIT's recent Imagine the Future show. With the help of several members of the RCCR, it was certified to be airworthy at Hasman Field, May 9. Piloted by Trevor Ewell, it was flown that same day, however, it suffered from a strustural problem and crashed.

New Business:

- Training Night has started at NH Park, on every Tuesday evening this summer
- The next meeting is at Hasman Field, on May 27
- Matt Kirsch received a call from Joe Palmer indicating the Joe was liquidating the RC assets of Batavia Flying Club member Doc Green, who recently passed away
- Greg Kesel indicated that he has a friend who has RC items for sale
- Jim Warner donated a Combat plane, ready to fly, minus Tx, to be raffled off. Ed Britton agreed to donate a Spektrum 5ch Tx to go with it. Raffle Tickets are being sold. See Bill Gerew

Announcements:

- Next meeting is May 27, 2009 at Hasman Field. Meetings will continue to be held at Hasman Field thru Aug.
- St. John Fisher Science Exploration Days – May 13-14
- Rochester Airshow at the Lake – May 30-31
- Rochester Wings – June 5-6
- Batavia Flying Club Annual FF - June 6-7
- RCCR Combat Meet – June 13

Show and Tell:

- Jim Warner – Chloroplast Delta Wing electric and Sequin Sparkle Tape
- Greg Kesel – Siren Glider
- Scott Miller – Floker D7 from H9
- Jerry Joseph – Reported on a flying site he visited near Washington, DC
- Bill Gerew – EDF Jet Trainer
- Trevor Ewell – Syst on finger

Minutes from May 27, 2009 meeting at Hasman Field

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

New Members: None

Guests: Dick Kosbab

Membership Report: 100 paid members – 18 not renewed

Programs Report: Flying

Field Report:

- All fields are ready to go

Committees:

- **Field Monitoring Committee:**
- Jim DeTar – Where is the Engine Test stand, at NH, that used to be located behind the sheds? It is still located by the Wood Shed
- John Floyd – When will the new Gas Engine Policy be posted at NH – Matt Kirsch has it in electronic form and will ready it for display
- **Field Search Committee:** Pete Durante has volunteered to chair the Field Search Committee
- **Turbine Committee:** None
- **Events:**
 - June FF mailings have been sent out to over 60 clubs
 - Invitations have been mailed out to guest pilots
 - Tom McCoy has indicated that he has raffle prizes
 - Matt Kirsch suggested we supply Pulled Pork, Salt Potatoes, Salad, and Drinks for the Pilot's Dinner
 - Great Electric FF will be held in 3 months, at NH
 - Both events are now in the AMA magazine
 - RCCR Combat Meet – June 13 – Need workers

Old Business:

- RCCR will man a booth at the Rochester Wings event – John Floyd will pick up the necessary tables – Matt Kirsch will bring June FF flyers and the RCCR Banner
- RCCR will not man a booth at the Airshow
- The annual St John Fisher Science Expo was attended by Don Steeb, Jerry Joseph, Ed Ortman, Pete Fierentino. Food was good
- Trevor spoke regarding the RIT Airplane Project where the RIT Test Plane was flown at Hasman Field. AMA has advised the RCCR to limit our involvement to the Aircraft Build and R/C flying aspect of the project. AMA only supports Line of Sight piloting

New Business:

- Ernie Nickodem, long time AMA DII AVP, has retired and Bill Hauth has taken his place
- Jim Warner reminded everyone that Raffle Tickets are on sale for the RTF SSC plane and radio

Announcements:

- Next meeting is on June 10, 2009 at Hasman Field. Meetings will continue to be held at Hasman Field for June, July, and August
- Batavia Flying Club Annual FF – June 6-7
- Rochester Airshow at the Lake – May 30-31
- Rochester Wings – June 5-6
- RCCR Annual June FF – June 27-28
- Canandaigua Chiefs Annual FF – June 13-14
- Oil Creek Flyers Annual Octurbofest – Titusville, Pa, June 20-21
- RCCR Combat Meet – June 13

Show and Tell: None

50/50 – None

Minutes from June 10, 2009 meeting at Hasman Field

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

New Members: None

Guests: Frank Savino and Maynard Troyer

Membership Report: 103 paid members – Including Frank Savino who was voted in tonight

Programs Report: 50/50 and RTF Combat Plane Raffle

Field Report:

- The NH Parking Lot Expansion Project should be ramped up soon, but probably not in time for this year's June FF. Perhaps it will be ready for the Great Electric FF, in August

Committees:

- **Field Monitoring Committee:**
- There was at least one opportunity to quiet an Evolution engine by suggesting the use of a larger diameter prop
- **Field Search Committee:** Pete Durante has no new updates
- **Turbine Committee:** None
- **Events:**
 - June FF setup will be held on Fri, June 26, at 9am. John Floyd and Ed Wingate will not be present, so CHAOS will reign Supreme
 - First RCCR Combat meet will be held on June 13

Old Business:

- Great Electric FF – Matt and Jerry will Co-CD the event – Prize solicitation letters have been sent out
- The Rochester Wings event was successful. Greg Kesel, John Floyd, Joe Somers, Phil Evans and Jerry Joseph were among the club representatives. It may be advantageous for the club to purchase a 32" display to be used at events such as this, for Flight Sims or Slide Shows of past club events

New Business:

- Bob Gears is back in action. Look for him at the nearest club flying field

Announcements:

- Next meeting is on June 24, 2009 at Hasman Field. Meetings will continue to be held at Hasman Field for June, July, and August
- RCCR Annual June FF – June 27-28
- Canandaigua Chiefs Annual FF – June 13-14
- Oil Creek Flyers Annual Octurbofest – Titusville, Pa, June 20-21
- RCCR Combat Meet – June 13

Show and Tell:

Scott Miller – BVM Mig 15

Andre Blanchard - Top Flight B25 ARF

Bob McClure – Bob James's wife has become an ordained minister. He and his wife will be moving to the Buffalo area as she will become pastor of a church in Orchard Park

50/50 – Tony Joseph

Minutes from June 24, 2009 meeting at Hasman Field

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

New Members: None

Guests: None

Membership Report: 104 paid members – Including Maynard Troyer who was voted in tonight

Programs Report: 50/50 and RTF Combat Plane Raffle

Field Report:

- Norm Hasman's nephew donated a Gazebo near the pit area at the E/W runway
- Joe Somers graciously put up new copies of the Field Rules
- NH Park people have cut down the high grass

Committees:

- **Field Monitoring Committee:**
- Kevin Freeman brought out a QuiQue Python Bipe with DA engine and Tuned Pipe. Trevor reports that the Db levels were well within the acceptable range
- **Field Search Committee:** Pete Durante has no new updates
- **Turbine Committee:** None
- **Events:**
 - June FF setup will be held on Fri, June 26, at 9am. John Floyd and Ed Wingate will not be present, so CHAOS will reign Supreme

Old Business:

- The first RCCR Combat meet was held. There were 11 contestants. Bill Stauber was the winner
- June FF setup will begin at 9am on June 26. Dick Foster did extensive mowing so there will be some minor raking. We need to set up fences and lay mats on the walkways. Dan and Rich Landis will be arriving on Friday and leaving Sat evening. We expect to see Devon McGrath, Kyle Stacey, and Phil Nguyen, as well. Greg Kesel will make the Ledge Dale Airport aware of our event
- Another RCCR Combat Meet has been scheduled for Aug 29. Matt Kirsch is sending in the sanctions
- John Floyd brought in some items that Bob James still had for sale

New Business:

- Greg Kesel extended an open invitation, to all RCCR club members, for his Annual July 4 Float Fly, at his residence. Flying begins at 10am

Announcements:

- Next meeting is on July 8, 2009 at Hasman Field. Meetings will continue to be held at Hasman Field for June, July, and August
- RCCR Annual June FF – June 27-28
- Kentucky Jets – July 5-12

Show and Tell:

- Rich Brook - Scott Miller's impact on Octurbofest
- Trevor Ewell – Canandaigua Chiefs event report
- Paul Weigand – This year's STARS Rally, in Olean, will include the AMA District II FF

50/50 –