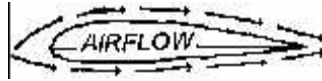


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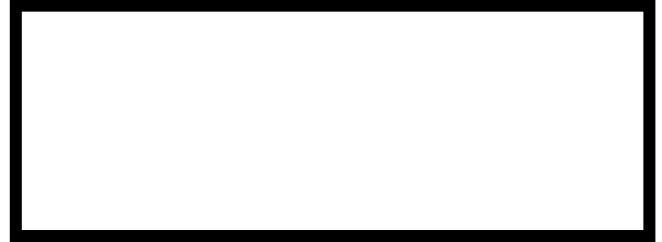
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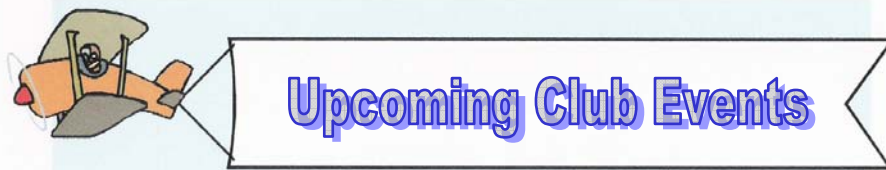
All visitors are always welcome at the Northampton Park Model Flying field and at regular meetings. Note that Meetings are scheduled for the second and fourth Wednesday of every month at 7:30 PM. During the colder months they are held at Our Mother of Sorrows Church, located at 5000 Mt. Read Blvd in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

From late May thru August, 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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### **Meetings:**

Sept. 9 - RCCR Meeting 7:30 p.m. at Our Mother of Sorrows Church  
Sept. 23 - RCCR Meeting 7:30 p.m. at Our Mother of Sorrows Church  
Oct. 14 - RCCR Meeting 7:30 p.m. at Our Mother of Sorrows Church  
Oct. 28 - RCCR Meeting 7:30 p.m. at Our Mother of Sorrows Church

### **Other Events:**

RCCR End of Season picnic at NH Ski Lodge on Oct. 11 starting at 10:00 a.m.

Daylight Saving Time ends at 2:00 a.m. Sunday November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009

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



Despite one of the coolest, wettest summers on record, would you believe that none of our Hasman meetings got rained out? Maybe I'm forgetting something. Maybe I'm totally out of my mind, but I am almost 100% positive that it's true. Come to think of it, most of our Tuesday training nights and Monday combat sessions up to this point have been rain free too. Sure, most of the weekends have stunk, but really, things haven't been as bad for us when you step back and look at the big picture.

One weekend that didn't stink this summer was the weekend we held our Electric Fun Fly, August 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. Summer finally arrived and it was sunny, almost oppressively hot, but not quite, and calm. I think everyone was just looking for an excuse to fly, because we completely blew away our attendance record with 48 registered pilots. There was very little empty sky time throughout the show, and we even put together an impromptu airshow, featuring Devin McGrath, and Clay Wheaton flying routines to music, Jim Warner standing in for Phil Nguyen with a helicopter demo, and Paul Weigand demonstrating his exceptional scale Me163 Komet. Devin and Clay even gave formation flying a try, and they did amazingly well considering they were making it up as they went along.

This was the second year we held the Electric Fun Fly at Northampton park, and the second time we've held a large meet on the South side of the runway. We even had a few of the RC Gypsies on site for the duration of the meet this time around, and with the exception of the "McMansion," none of the vehicles made a mark in the grass. Holding the meet from the South side is so much less work, and the layout we had this time around is the best ever in my estimation. Hopefully someone took some pictures so we can replicate it next year.

We learned that there is more room on the South side than you'd think. Five RVs and their associated support vehicles, along with two utility trailers, fit in the area between the container shed and the safety fence. There was also room for two rows of dining canopies and an aisle between the RV row and the fence. The entire left-hand side was left open for spectators, and a few pilots set up on the far left along the hedges. Our only shortfall was in the parking department. Hopefully the Monroe County Parks Department will get to our parking lot expansion to help remedy some of that by the time our next event comes around.

At our last meeting in August, I officially announced that this will be my last term as President of the RCCR. If you have any suggestions for someone to take over the position, I am all ears.

There are still three months left before the December elections. Plenty of good flying left. Get to it.

# RCCR Minutes from July 09, 2009 meeting at Hasman Field

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

**New Members:** Carl Ayers

**Guests:** None

**Membership Report:** 105 members with new member Carl Ayers voted in at meeting; 18 from 2008 have not renewed and of those approximately 10 will not renew.

**Programs Report:**

- We are within 14 tickets of our goal of 100 tickets for the raffle.
- Edna Tina Living Center in Greece have contacted us. They've had residents that have flown rc airplanes before and are looking for a couple members, with their airplanes, to visit for a 45 minute Q and A. They would like to see us fly at an afternoon training session before our Tuesday night training at Northampton. If anyone is interested contact Bill.
- The Magnum XLS-15 two stroke engine for combat flying is available now for \$45.99

**Field Report:**

- Greg Kesel reported that the owner at Ledge Dale commented that he doesn't hear rc planes anymore and essentially said we are noticeably better neighbors. Attention to props, smaller engines, and canister rules for 50cc and above has paid off. Also, if proposed TSA rules go into affect, it could require RCCR to get Walt's approval to continue flying at Northampton.
- John Floyd reported, other than the ruts, based on the amount of water that came down for the June fun fly, we were in very good shape.
- Matt Kirsh was contacted by Dave Matthews who wants to set up a flying field and was looking for a 'shining example' to point at and asked if they could use RCCR.

**Committees:**

- **Field Monitoring Committee:** None
- **Field Search Committee:** Pete Durante has no new updates
- **Turbine Committee:** None
- **Events:**

June fun fly. Had a good day on Sat. Had a total of 55 pilots sign up. We sold out of everything on Saturday. Sunday we didn't sell out of anything. We got about \$300 net off the raffle. After food, flyers, porta potties, the raffle, and permits we ended up about \$135 in the hole, which considering the rain was pretty good!

**Old Business:**

- None

**New Business:**

- Trevor Ewell reported that recently at Northampton, Juan and Ulf were flying a CAP232 with a two stroke OS Max 160 and Juan suggested they try changing from a 18x6 prop which was on the noisy side, without being asked. This was taken as a good sign and a positive result of the noise control and policy being enforced at Northampton.

**Announcements:**

- None

**Show and Tell:**

- Jim Capuano - Showed World's Smallest Camcorder with 4GB memory and 640x480 resolution, which records for up to 2 hrs on a single charge. The entire camcorder fits inside a pack of chewing gum! It's available from Amazon.com for \$39. A sample video shot from the bottom of a plane will be available on youtube at Jim's site. Anyone interested can email Jim for a link to the camcorder he purchased as well as the sample video.

**50/50** – Won by Jim Capuano

## RCCR Minutes from July 22, 2009 meeting at Hasman Field

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

**New Members:** None

**Guests:** Umberto, Robert, Scott Ryan, Ron McGrath

**Membership Report:** 106 members with new member Scott Ryan voted in at meeting; Michael Bennage will be voted on when he attends a meeting

**Programs Report:**

- Russ Steenhoff won the Combat Plane Raffle
- Edna Tina Living Center in Greece have contacted us. Rich Brook and Bill Gerew volunteered to put on talk

**Field Report:**

- Flyable

**Committees:**

- **Field Monitoring Committee:** Trevor Ewell reports one aircraft was checked and recommendations made
- **Field Search Committee:** Pete Durante has no new updates
- **Turbine Committee:** None
- **Events:**
  - The Great Electric FF is coming to NH soon

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

- Bob McClure reports that he has purchased 105 hats with the RCCR insignia at \$5.95 per hat. We will sell them for \$10 each – It was decided that Jim Capuano would keep the hats and handle distribution and sale

**Announcements:**

- None

**Show and Tell:**

- Trevor Ewell – Les Rogow donated his Senior Kadet to George Rapalye
- Rich Brook – Brief Olean Scale Rally recap
- Matt Kirsch – discussed Combat demo
- Bob Gears – DX7 Show and Sell - \$200
- Maynard Troyer – PluseXT
- Greg Holcom – Park Zone Sukoi
- Mike Mance – Pictures from Pima, Az Air Museum and Scratch built Sport aircraft

**50/50** – Won by Jim Capuano

# RCCR Minutes from August 12, 2009 meeting at Hasman Field

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

**New Members:** Ann Roller, Humberto Ortiz, Craig Kanthal

**Guests:** Arthur Fumia

**Membership Report:** 112 members with new members Ann Roller, Humberto Ortiz, and Craig Kanthal voted in at meeting.

**Programs Report:**

- None

**Field Report:**

- Nothing

**Committees:**

- **Field Monitoring Committee:** Nothing
- **Field Search Committee:** Pete Durante has no new updates and nothing located yet. Bill showed an ad for a 39 acre site on Shumway Rd. one mile west of Sweden-Walker Rd. that is for sale.
- **Turbine Committee:** None
- **Events:**
  - The Great Electric FF is coming to NH this coming weekend

**Old Business:**

- Work Party for the electric fun fly begins at 9am at Northampton. John Floyd asked for those who can come to bring rakes and shovels and help level some dirt on the north side, set up tents, mow and rake. Should be done by 10:15am. Planning for up to 5 campers arriving for the fun fly. Renting a brush hog to trim the area already cleared recently for the parking lot extension; might put some members cars there for the fun fly. Matt reported there's plenty of meat and soda but that rolls are needed. There may be corn served this year.
- Will need volunteers for field monitoring, the flight line watch, the combined sign in/transmitter impound/sound booth area. Will impound 72MHz but not 2.4GHz radios. Joe and Bob to cover the ice cream area.

**New Business:**

- There's a combat meet scheduled for Aug 29th at Hasman. Will need scorers. Results of the Lockport Combat Meet - Bill Stauber placed 3rd, Jim Warner 2nd, and Matt Kirsch 1st place!

**Announcements:**

- None

**Show and Tell:**

- Matt Kirsch – Ed and Kathy Britton had their second child, a boy, 9.1 pounds on Aug 10th. Also, Don and Amanda Henry had a baby girl, Maddie, on Aug 4th.
- Per Bob White, Pfizer is offering a montly or quarterly rebate for those taking Lipitor with a co-pay, providing the pills aren't through Medicare. For copays of less than \$35 for 30 day supply rebate is \$10, for copays over #35, the rebate is \$15.
- Bob White - Showed a Dynaflight 40 Spitfire with 52 four stroke engine
- Tony Joseph – Showed two Phoenix Laser Toy airplanes with 16" wingspans, one with a prop and the other an EDF

**50/50** – Won by Bob White

## **RCCR Minutes from August 26, 2009 meeting at Hasman Field**

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

**New Members:** Art Fumia and Steve Ewell

**Guests:**

**Membership Report:** 115 members with new members Art Fumia and Steve Ewell plus Vince Mancuso renewal

**Programs Report:** 50/50 raffle and Sig gift certificates

**Field Report:** Fields in good shape. Joe Somers will contact Dave Rinaldo regarding status of NH Parking Lot Expansion project eta

**Committees:**

- **Field Monitoring Committee:** Nothing
- **Field Search Committee:** Nothing
- **Turbine Committee:** None
- **Events:**
  - End of Season picnic at NH Ski Lodge on Oct 11

**Old Business:**

- Combat Meet – 9am – Aug 29 – Need Help

**New Business:**

- This is the last meeting at Hasman Field for this summer. Next meeting is at Our Mother of Sorrows church hall
- Matt Kirsch emphatically reminded everyone that he will not return as President in this fall's General Election. Nominations are open.

**Announcements:**

- Oct 11 – End of season picnic at NH Park Ski Lodge
- Sept 5 – Interclub FF hosted by the RAMS at Fordham Field in Ontario, NY
- Aug 29-30 - RAMS Heli FF
- Jim Capuano has new RCCR caps for \$10

**Show and Tell:** None

**50/50** – Jim Capuano