



THE KNIGHT FLYER



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2014 Mall Show is Cutting Edge

Greeting the mall visitor as they strolled through the atrium of the mall, were splendid replicas of a wide variety of modern and classic aircraft.

The scene was dominated by Orv's giant military transport in blue and white. Nearby were huge models of bi-planes and classic racers.

Filling the space in between was a cross section of the Age of flight.

Acrobatic planes, Cubs, Cessnas, single engine, multi engine, were only a few of the examples of flying machines represented.

Helicopters and a new type of rotary wing aircraft, the Quadra-copter, (with four rotors), also appeared in this years show.

An example of this type of aircraft outfitted with a camera that transmitted it's images back to the ground via a high frequency radio link was on display.

The camera was pointed out into the mall area and one could see themselves on the adjacent computer screen.

First Person View, (FPV), is a new dimension in RC. An entire system using an RC plane was displayed along with explanatory cards showing all of the components of this new concept.

This demo had a headpiece so that the operator could see what the airplane sees as it flies about.

The variety of aircraft was extensive.

If it flies, it was probably in the mix..

One of the features of our mall show is the interaction with the spectators. People can ask questions of our members on almost anything aerodynamic as they peruse the models.



2014 Display at McKinley Mall

Even the little urchins can get into the act. A large number of tiny gliders constructed from plastic plates were given out to the young ones as they stopped by with their parents.

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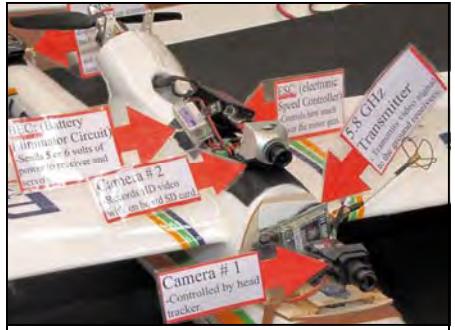
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One of the significant benefits of the mall show venue is the impact it makes on visitors.

Many times an event like the mall show results in a new member seeking to satisfy his interest in aviation. Occasionally in the past, a variety of conflicts have arisen over noise and flying activities. Much of this was due to the fact that folks knew very little about organizations like the knights.



Components of First Person Flying

other community groups such as scouts and youth groups to request demonstrations for their members.

Providing young people with activities is an excellent contribution to our community.



A Wide Variety of Flying Machines

Due to public events like our rally and the mall shows, people were able to learn about modeling and many of these conflicting situations diminished.

Knowing more about organizations like the knights, provided



Interactive Simulator

Mall Contest Winners

During our Mall Show, spectators have an opportunity to pick the plane that they like the most. Here's how they voted.



Orv Chatwood, 1st place



Kyle Stromecki, 3rd place



Mike Josker, 2nd Place

RC Aircrafter's Crash n Bash

On Super Bowl Sunday, our neighboring modeling club, the RC Aircrafters host a unique event.

Known for random Sunday foodfests, these hardy souls defy the WNY winter weather by getting together a great feast and throwing in some fearsome flying.

Always, a cold and blustery scenario, it never fazes the more adventurous of fliers.



Preparing for Mortal Combat

The wind was mild and the time was used well.

Of course if the truth were to be known, all these eager fliers really came out for the food that was being prepared by club prez Andy Brose and his cadre of chefs.

Dishes to pass were brought in to complement the burgers.

It was a fun event and despite the cold everyone enjoyed this break in the winter doldrums.



Warm & Cozy Dining Room

About two dozen dedicated fliers brought combat models with the serious intent of destroying any other angry birds that might show up.

As many as five of these motorized missiles wheeled about simultaneously in the air until one remained with its ribbon intact.

Of course the more sane fliers came out as well and there was a fine showing of helicopters and pattern aircraft.



Crowd hits the Frozen Flight Line



Obituary

Long time member, Don Domon passed away on Sunday, February 16th.

Don not only flew RC but was interested in free-flight and control.

He was often involved in our rallies and worked hard to support our club.

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Prez Note



I would like to take a moment and thank everyone for attending this year's Mall show.

We had a very impressive display. All of you put a lot of work into your models and displays, and it shows.

Hopefully spring will decide to show itself, and we can get back to flying outside.

With that being said, our next events on the calendar are the work parties for the North Collins and Emerling field.

I ask everyone who has the ability and time, to please join in. Every spring there is basic maintenance that needs to be completed at our fields.

Your help is needed and appreciated.

Also, keep an eye out for the May issue of the AMA magazine.

That is when the AMA is scheduled to announce, the winners of the 2014 Flying Field Grant.

We have the potential to receive almost \$500 from the AMA for the work that was completed at the Emerling Field.

I've been told that this year there are many clubs applying for money, so keep your fingers crossed. That grant could help us do even more work to our fields. See you at the next Meeting!

John Scarantino
President, Flying Knights

Summer Activities

RCCR Fun Fly 2014

Ray Edmunds Memorial

Sat. Jun 28

Northampton Park
Near Spencerport

Canandaigua Sky Chiefs Fun-fly 2014

Sat-Sun, June 21 & 22
Gehan Rd. Canandaigua, NY

Knight's Club Picnic Sunday Jun 8 th North Collins Field

Winter takes it's toll on our flying sites. There will also be a clean-up at the new Emerling Road Field. You will be alerted as to the exact day and time.



**North Collins Field Clean-up is
scheduled for Saturday,
May 3rd, at 10 A.M.
Bring along a shovel or a rake.**

Attention! All new members

Bill Hauth will be at the Emerling field on Wednesday evenings, (weather permitting) during the summer months, with the club trainer for any one who would like to get hands on flying experience. This is a great opportunity for all beginners to learn to fly without risking your own model. Last minute changes will be emailed.

Annual Chinese Auction

With the first snows of December, the long cold night of 2014 descended upon Western New York. All those days of summer flying were distant memories.

Just when we needed a lift, along comes our Chinese Auction.



John & Bob Select the Winners

The Chinese Auction is a great way to get rid of some of the items that you no longer want or need, while giving others a great opportunity to get some obscure item that they thought they had always wanted.

The Chinese auction was originally instituted to provide funding for improvements to our flying fields.



Working Down the Line

With nearly sixty spectacular items up for grabs, an exciting array of model paraphernalia awaited the eager bidders.

One could actually feel the anticipation as the meeting ended and the drawings got under way.

John Scarantino and Bob Waldruff drew out the winning bids as they progressed along the tables.



Wide Variety of Goodies

2014 Scale Rally Raffle Plane

This beautiful replica of the WWII ME-262 will be raffled off at our Scale Rally in August.

The winner may choose a cash prize of \$200 instead.



KNIGHT'S SWAP SHEET

If you have something for sale, or looking for that special something, put your request in "The Swap Sheet". Free to all club members.

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Schedule
Fri. 4/18, 5/9,
5/30, 6/20

St. James Church 7:30 PM
New members 6:30

Board Meeting
Tue. 4/15,
5/6, 6/17

Pegasus 7:30 PM

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