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Northern Connecticut Radio Control Club

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**NEXT MEETING
JAN 8th, 6:30pm
Somers Public
Library**

Please send any
newsletter contributions to
waynegustafson@gmail.com

2025 HOLIDAY PARTY

Our 2025 Holiday party was a great success and believed to be enjoyed by all. Our raffle was yet another success and the prizes equaled and even outnumbered the number of guests. Thank you to all that participated. I am glad to report that random chance favored some that in years past had winning tickets picked near the end rather than at the start of the drawing. Case in point: Dennis T. quickly won a 40-sized glow engine that was well suited a project he happened to be working on at the time. Another indoor dome flyer won an indoor plane that was very well received. Many and continued thanks to all the NCRCC "special teams" that contributed to the collective success of our group in 2025. ↪



Just a small sampling of the raffle prize selection !



photo by Irv Thurrott

NCRCC Members enjoying the 2025 Holiday Party

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Len Marchese
Treasurer

First, I would like to wish all NCRCC members a Happy 2026 New Year. Stay healthy and happy R/C flying.

I'm going to make my news article short as there is not much activity. OH....

I forgot! The annual January 1st, 2026, Frozen Finger Fun Fly is the main activity at the field. I hope you are bundled with warm clothing and enjoy flying at this annual event. Thank you, Ola Nordell for running the frozen finger fun fly.

Membership Renewals: We are currently at 72.41% renewal. If you have not renewed for 2026, now is the time. Please keep in mind that all renewal funds are for the 2026 field operations and field expenses. The last renewal date is Friday January 9th, 2026, at 5:00pm.

Any membership renewals after January 9, 2026, the member will be notified, and the renewal will be assessed \$50.00 initiation fee. This is in accordance with Article IV Dues, Section 3: There shall be no membership status for persons in arrears after the January monthly meeting. Reinstatement requires payment of the full initiation fee with the membership application.

Happy 2026 New Year,
Len Marchese, NCRCC Treasurer

DON'T FORGET

Frozen Finger
Fun Fly - Jan 1st



Treasurer



Bill Cranford
Secretary

Secretary

Happy New Year! No business is held during our December holiday party, so I have no meeting minutes to report. As I near one year in the role as secretary, I'm still enjoying it. I'd like to thank Kevin Cyr who taught

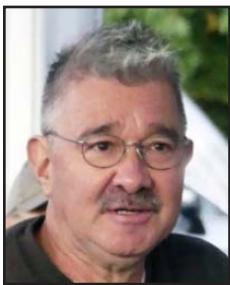
me how to perform many of the tasks of this office when I began this role. Many documents from past secretaries are still in use. Adam Gorman, Bob Boulais, and Stan Kulesa are names I see often as authors in the NCRCC files, I'm thankful for their work. NCRCC runs on dues and the volunteers that provide what is necessary for the fun of RC flying to happen.

At the time of this writing, our membership list is 73% renewed. It is important to renew your membership before the January 9th deadline, both to allow for an accurate budget for the upcoming year and to avoid a reinitiation fee. Please mail in your dues or visit ncrcc.org/membership-info scroll to the bottom, complete the form and submit to renew by PayPal.

I hope 2026 brings you something exciting to enjoy in the hobby. Maybe learn some new transmitter functions or try out a different airframe you haven't experienced. Perhaps you have an old model collecting dust that you planned to fix up "someday". Put it on the work bench, sometimes the only thing stopping you, is that you haven't started. After my first visit and flying inside the dome I was inspired to pull out an Easy Built Models rubber band powered Spitfire from storage and start building with a goal to convert to electric power 3 channel RC. As I build, I think of the advice from Ray our liaison officer on the topic of keeping it light "build it to fly, not to crash".

Bill Cranford
Secretary NCRCC

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Peter Tani
Activity Director

It is hard to believe that as I write, NCRCC finds itself past our last scheduled club event for 2025. Our next event is our third annual Frozen Finger Fun Fly scheduled for Thursday, January 1, 2026 from 9am to 1pm. Non-NCRCC flyers are welcome to fly as guests while possessing a valid AMA membership. In 2025 we had 28 registered pilots and in 2026 we applied for and were granted an AMA event sanction. Please pre-register with contest director Ola Nordell. His contact information can be found on our website and likely elsewhere in this publication. Thank you Ola for bringing this event to NCRCC. Who will be the first to fly in 2026 ?

Please those that haven't already, please be sure to renew your 2026 NCRCC membership.

That's for now. ---Peter

GATE LOCK INSTRUCTIONS



Properly locked
1) Lock closed
2) U-cover on Tang
3) Lock is locked, Combination scrambled

Unlocking and Locking
1) Pull lock outside U-cover
2) Set (or scramble) the Combination
3) Twist lock up or down
4) Pull down on lock
5) Twist lock to remove or insert

While Flying
1) Swinging Gate is open
2) Gate components are as pictured

NCRCC CLUB RULES

1. Safety is the primary concern of NCRCC. Please be aware of all that is going on around you while at the flying field.
2. Only NCRCC members and their guests are allowed to use the flying field (except for clubsponsored events).
3. All club members and flying guests must have a current AMA membership in order to fly.
4. Clip your current AMA membership card (or a copy) to your frequency area on the impound board when flying.
5. AMA safety codes must be known and followed.
6. Wear your current NCRCC member badge when you are at the flying field.
7. After two (2) visits, guests must apply for NCRCC membership to fly at our field.
8. Unescorted spectators are not allowed beyond the pit area.
9. No running of internal combustion engines before 7:00 AM.
10. For engine break-in, use the designated area (far end of pit area by dumpster). Do not leave engine running unattended.
11. Mufflers are required on all internal combustion engines.
12. Failure to observe NCRCC safety rules can result in expulsion from the club.
13. Report any "immediate issues" to the Ellington Police Department at (860) 875-1522.
14. Report any "suspicious activity" to Jon Hosney of FBI Community Outreach at (203) 650-2432.

EVENTS AROUND THE AREA

DATE	EVENT	CD	EMAIL / PHONE
1/1/26	NCRCC Frozen Fingers Fun Fly	OLA NORDELL	olanordell@olanordellmotorsports.com

NCRCC December 11, 2025 Christmas/Holiday Party

Somers
Public
Library

Initial Setup



Excellent number of Donations



All
were
eaten!





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2026 FROZEN FINGER FUN FLY

THIRD ANNUAL FROZEN FINGER FUN FLY THURSDAY, JANUARY 1, 2026
9:00 – 1:00 (OR AS LONG AS YOU CAN STAND IT) AT THE FIELD

BE FIRST TO FLY IN THE NEW YEAR!!!

Non NCRCC flyers are welcome to fly as guests.
Required is valid AMA membership.
A \$10.- landing fee is requested at registration.
Coffee, Choc. and Donuts will be served
Please pre-register to:
olanordell@olanordellmotorsports.com
mobile: (860) 877-2255

The weather will have to be **extremely**
bad for an event rescheduling!!!!

If you have any **questions**, E-mail, or call; Ola Nordell
olanordell@olanordellmotorsports.com
mobile: (860) 877-2255

This is an AMA Sanctioned
Event.

Location Green Road
Ellington CT
Monitor nrcrc.org for
eventual changes.

Pictures are from the Previous
Frozen Finger Event's
2025 had 28 Registered Pilots

