

# TRI COUNTY RC CLUB

# THE FLY PAPER

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## Upcoming Events

- The popular TCRC **Pattern Fun Fly** is scheduled for this Saturday June 25th with Rain Date of Sunday. The flying sequence to practice is listed on page 4 along with more details. Call sheets will be given out so you will not have to memorize your flight. And callers will help each pilot through the flight sequence.

You can participate with whatever aircraft you are comfortable with. We have even had helis take part.



*Pictured above is the group from 2020.*

The "Hot Dog King", Gerry will be on hand cooking up his specialty. **HOT DOGS.**

There is a \$5.00 landing fee per pilot that will cover the cost of food and beverages.

Come on out! Have some fun, and test your piloting skills. Pilots meeting starts at 10:AM



A club picnic for September is in the plans. Details will follow.



**Next Meeting  
scheduled for  
7:00 PM  
Thursday  
June 30th 2022**

**Outdoors at the  
Flying Field.  
Pulda Farms.**

The Atlantic City Chamber of Commerce has announced that on Wednesday, August 24th, starting at 11 AM, the Atlantic City Air Show featuring the Thunderbirds will kick off.

There are practice sessions on the day before. Check their website for details.



- Minutes of the May 26 meeting have been e-mailed to all members.

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## MODEL OF THE MONTH :

Armand G. recently purchased, on a scratch and dent sale a 64mm EDF “Marlin” jet. They seem to be a popular plane in the club. Armand painted his a darker blue and orange using acrylic so it was easier to see. His daughter gets credit for making the Navy decals. It has a 35 inch wingspan, a 40 amp ESC and flies it with a 4S 2200-3300 battery. He has a few flights with the plane now and says it flies well but there is a little bit of a learning curve with an EDF. You must come in with a little bit of power and a nose high landing approach.



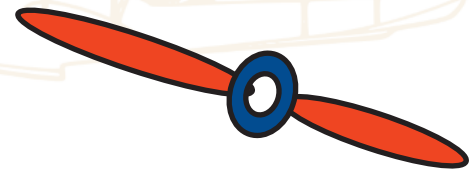
Anatoliy Y. built the Sig balsa and ply kit, that he converted to an electric motor kit. It's a Smith Mini biplane with a 44 inch wingspan, and covered with Monokote. The original kit calls for a 2 stroke 40-45 engine. His electric conversion will use a 4 cell, 4000 MaH battery. The plane has not had its maiden flight yet.

The members voted for their favorite model and Anatoliy was the winner.

## Show & Tell,



John D. brought his new FMS Olympus for Show & Tell. It's a foam aerobatic aircraft that has a 55 inch wingspan and is 61 inches in length. This is a popular low cost way to get into pattern flying and there are a few club members that have them. The ARF kit has only six parts that screw together with servos installed. John changed the linkage arms to Du-Bro ball links and installed a receiver with a second remote RX. He also removed the aileron y connection and uses a separate channel for improved aileron adjustment. Donnelly plans on using a 6 cell 3300 mAh battery. The motor and ESC are stock included with the plane



### Model of the Month Guidelines:

If one member shows off their new creation it is considered a “Show and Tell”.

If **two or more** aircraft are shown and discussed at a meeting, then the members vote on who's is the best and then it becomes “**Model of the Month**” and a prize may be awarded.

Bring your plane, heli, quad, or what ever you fly, to the next meeting and share it with the group.

## Monthly interview with a TCRC member Get to know your fellow R/C pilots.

By Bruce G. This month's r/c enthusiast is Tony Caracciolo

Tony C. is one of the first people that you will meet at the field. He welcomes all visitors that drive down the road to see what's going on and explains what the club is all about. "Tony C", as he is referred to is a staple in the club and maintains the grass around the runway and other things. He is one of the most active pilots.

Tony was raised in Brooklyn, but in 1985 he moved in East Brunswick with his wife, Betty, of 52 years. He is a retired mechanic from the NY City Dept of Sanitation and East Brunswick Township.



**Bruce G:** How did you become involved with model aviation?

**Tony:** I started out with r/c 1/8 nitro cars, then around 1970 became involved with R/C airplanes and then got involved with r/c helicopters.

**BG:** Who or what has influenced you the most?

**Tony:** Bill Lesko and Larry K, both members of TCRC, were a big influence for me. R/c has always peaked my interest and I was able to follow my passion.



Mr. Tony can be credited with maintaining the field in its golf club looking beauty.  
*He also uses proper hand signals!*

**BG:** What attracted you to model aircraft in the first place.

**Tony:** Flying model aircraft is just something I always wanted to do. So I just got involved and pursued my interest.

**BG :** How has model aviation impacted your life and/or career?

**Tony :** Model aviation hasn't really impacted my career as a mechanic, although working with my hands and tools has helped me to build and modify some different type of aircraft and model boats.

Being able look at a problem and come up with a solution, and then creating a fix comes easy to me.

**BG** I know you have a busy schedule with grandchildren and other things, When do you get the most of your flying time in.

**Tony:** I usually come out on weekday mornings to fly and on some weekends.

**BG:** What disciplines of modeling do you currently participate in?

**Tony:** I like R/C boating and cars. I just built a boat using airplane float pontoons.

**BG:** Do you belong to any other clubs?

**Tony:** Yes, I belong to Jersey Coast Sport Flyers, and Millstone R/C Flyers.

**BG:** What other hobbies do you have?

**Tony:** Over the years, I have been involved with N gauge trains, R/c boats.

**BG:** Tony is always quick with a joke and likes to have fun. During my interview with Tony and Bill Patterson (*next month*), it turns out that both of these guys are Army veterans and were both stationed at Fort Stewart GA. At the same time. But they did not know it until years later. Thank you for your service..

# Dumbass / Crash of the Month

At the May meeting a few guys were willing to share their stories of their mishaps.

1. Tony C. crashed his Marlin EDF jet.
2. Armand tore off a few sets of landing gear. ( not on his planes)
3. Jack B. lost complete control of his plane after take off and hit the ground HARD!! (Jack was awarded the trophy last month)
4. Mike D. had a hard uncontrolled landing when his twin nitro engine aircraft had a forced landing when both engines quit right after take off. Mike was not at the meeting to tell his story. However his mishap won him the trophy for the month of May. Hopefully Mikes plane is able to be repaired and will be flying soon. Gerry was the story teller and did a great job of explaining the crash.



*Just a reminder. Put your name, address, AMA number and FAA Number and phone number on your aircraft so in the event you have a fly-away it might help to get the your aircraft returned to you.*

**“Most Toys.”**  
There were no pictures submitted for “most toys” this month. Submit your pictures for next month. You can win a prize at the end of the year.

The Club Class **pattern fun fly** will be held on Saturday June 25th. The goal of the event is to get the students and pilots alike to refine their flying skills with a little flying discipline mixed in.

This event, as suggested by Alex S will challenge the pilots flying ability *possibly* scoring the maneuvers by fellow members.

Any of the clubs pilots that have progressed passed the “Student” stage know how to do all the maneuvers its just a matter of flying them in sequence., or like **having a flight plan**, not just boring holes in the sky.

The key is flying straight and level and actually controlling the aircraft through the loops, inverted flight, and learning how to use the rudder and other basic maneuvers.

Bruce G. (the event coordinator) says

“I guarantee it will improve your flying skills.”

Last years 20 plus pilots all had a fun time and always ask to do it again. It’s open to any TCRC club member

Any reasonable type of aircraft that you feel comfortable flying is allowed.

*Alex S, Bruce G.*

## Club Class Pattern Fun Fly

AMA Club Class 2022/23

Club Class 2022 / 23	
Maneuver	
1	Takeoff (U)
2	Straight Flight (out) (U)
3	Procedure turn (T)
4	Straight Flight (back) (D)
	Box exit and Re-Entry
5	Stall Turn without rolls (U)
	Box exit and Re-Entry
6	Immelmann Turn (U)
	Box exit and Re-Entry
7	45 degree Up Line (U)
	Box exit and Re-Entry
8	Straight inverted flight
	Box exit and Re-Entry
9	Two Inside Loops (U)
10	Landing (U)
	Total K-factor

Note: the pattern may be reversed to allow for wind direction.

# FOR SALE

## TCRC Haberdashery



Support your club.... Club Hats are available. They are \$15.00 each. E-mail Bruce at [bgrankowski@optonline.net](mailto:bgrankowski@optonline.net) to get yours.

Limited Edition TCRC Tee Shirts. There are just a few left. \$10.00 each. Blue with Yellow Logo

4 - small  
5 -medium



Larry N. fabricated this wing launcher from PVC pipe. The wing aircraft is set up on a 45 degree angle and Larry's wing has enough thrust to take off perfectly. This idea makes it safer for the pilot and others around him when launching their aircraft. Nice Job Larry !



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## TRAINING :

Pilots who may need a refresher , and new members with limited or no experience are welcome to request stick time.



Feel free to call or text Alex S. at [732-816-1810](tel:732-816-1810) to arrange dual flying time.... As long as it is 50 degrees or more, winds are less than 15 mph and not wet out there, we can squeeze in some flights.

Jack Baum is also a training instructor for the club. He has the clubs Apprentice , pictured below, and has a spektrum buddy box system to assist those that need help. Jacks contact information can be found on the bottom of page 1.

Special thanks to **Tony C, Rich Mc, Gerry, Bruce , Armand, Larry N, Tony P and Frank J.** all took part on Monday to manicure the field. Some tree trimming and a path opened up between our field and the adjacent field on the left side.

The weather was perfect. Not too hot, with a nice breeze.

Everyone took turns on the mower to get the job done. The job was completed in just one day, and the field looks picture perfect.

*Pictured below*, is Frank J, cleaning off the mower before putting it away.



## The Fly Paper

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