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From the President

Happy April everyone, we have the Family Picnic on the first. No it's not an April fool's joke. Come on out with your family and enjoy a day of fun, camaraderie, food and drinks to celebrate your membership at RCACF!



Turbine power at RCACF

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Did you know? The RCACF was first chartered in 1952!

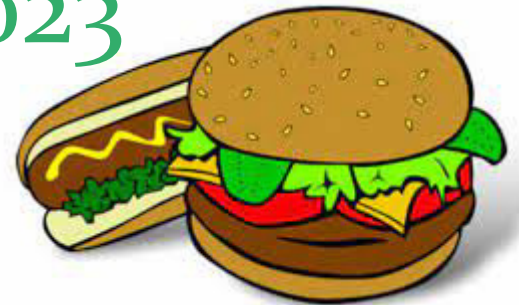
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RCACF FAMILY PICNIC

April 1, 2023



10AM - 4PM

COME ON OUT FOR A DAY OF FUN, CAMARADERIE AND FOOD. WE WILL BE GRILLING FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY, THE KIDS ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE IN KIDS GAMES AND PLAY.

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Turbine Power at RCACF

The RCACF has become a hub of activity, training and flying for turbine powered model aircraft. This brings with it a wealth of knowledge, experience and progression within our club and those with a Turbine Waiver, have a notch of experience above those of us that are sport flyers.

Turbine Pilots have more training in high performance jet aircraft and must be signed off to get the waiver by no less than two TW holders, and one of these must also be a CD!

Flying these high performance models also requires very acute awareness of the safety of flying 30+ pound models, than can fly 200mph or better and the consequences of making a mistake. It can cost many thousands of dollars to make a mistake so these guys are sticklers for pre-flight checks, safety observers, fire extinguishers and safety procedures. We have many turbine waiver holders at RCACF and we are getting more weekly. These folks have to train with a waived instructor and the learning curve is quite the accomplishment.

Turbine power is coming to a field near you so get used to seeing these fast, formidable jets flying in your field as well. Get info, training and hints, tips and tricks from these guys, they are excellent pilots and know what they are doing.

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Safety:

For those of you that do not know me I would like to introduce myself. My name is Eric Barnett. RCACF President Jose Soto asked if I would except the position of Safety Coordinator. In an effort to keep RCACF a safe place to fly I have assembled a 5 person Safety Team. This team consist of:

Safety Coordinator Eric Barnett
Safety Officer Jack Djevalikian
Safety Officer Brad Frank
Safety Officer Paul Hopkins
Safety Officer Ron Parchment

If you have any safety issues or concerns we are here to help. Please remember that we volunteer our time as a service to our Club Members. Be kind to them as their job is to keep both you and the Club safe from harm.

Your 2023 Safety Team is looking forward to serving the RCACF Membership and keeping RCACF a safe place to fly.

ERIC BARNETT - SAFETY COORDINATOR

Fly Safe, and enjoy your day!

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Raffle Winner





Mystery Aircraft Contest

Be the FIRST person to correctly I.D. This aircraft and win a bottle of epoxy or CyA!

Submissions to my email, amajose@cfl.rr.com. The email stamp will determine who the first person to correctly I.D. the airplane is.

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THROTTLE HOLD SWITCH

Accidental bumping of your throttle when getting your plane ready for flight or just after flight can cause MAJOR damage to yourself, someone else and / or property. Electric motors, unlike nitro / gas motors, do not stop. You are going to be injured or injure someone else. We have members that have a slew of stitches from the electric motors coming on unintended.

Eric Barnett, your RCACF, Safety Coordinator, can help you set up a throttle cut-off on your Spektrum radio, so, at the next meeting, if you need help setting this major safety feature up, please ask Eric for help. He will gladly help you set it up and it benefits everyone's health!



