

District II Report

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EACH MONTH I receive several dozen
newsletters from various clubs in our
district. Reading them, the common
denominator of many in the last six months
has been articles describing the proliferation
of Indoor Radio Control (RC) flying
activities.

Nearly half of the newsletters I've read
have mentioned some type of Indoor flying
event held by the club. As the quality and
reliability of Indoor RC models progresses,
it's becoming apparent that this is an activity
many of our clubs are turning to help get
through the long winter months.

Associate Vice President (AVP) Ray
Juschkus sent the following report on an
Indoor event he attended on Long Island.

"I attended an Indoor RC flying evening
with the LIARS (Long Island Aero Radio
Society) club in Hollbrook and it was a
blast. At least 20 modelers were in
attendance and they were flying all sorts of
models.

"They only have use of the school gym
for two hours but many flights were flown in
those two short hours. One of the models
flown was the Demoiselle Almost Ready-to-
Fly (ARF) by Aero Craft and if you want to
see a slow flyer, this is one of the slowest I
have ever seen.



**Ed Hirschfeld and Emil Cassenello with
their Aero Craft Demoiselles.**

"There were many GWS Cubs, Tiger
Moths, and LiteSticks. They seem to be much
faster. Larry Sribnick of SR Batteries was
flying a prototype of a new biplane that he
plans to kit very soon.

"The regular Indoor fliers have come up
with a name for their group—The Friday
Nights. They are planning a record attempt
with Guinness World Records™ and are
going to try to have 20 airplanes in the air at
once. I wish them luck!



**A crowded pit area during a Friday Nights'
fly-in.**

The Central New York Indoor Flying
Society (CNYIFS) is one of the pioneer
Indoor Radio Control clubs in District II.
The club has been active for several years
and was flying Indoor RC long before any of
the commercial radios and kits available
today were on the market.

The CNYIFS counts among its members
well-known modelers such as Clarence Hurd
and Gary Good, the son of the late Bill Good
and nephew of Walt Good, both true RC
modeling pioneers. The group meets several
times a week at a local church gym to fly.

On the Saturday evening that I visited the
gym, club secretary Jim Florini told me
about the generous arrangement the church
has made with the club to use the site. The
cost to fly at the facility? A donation of a
canned good to the church's food pantry for
each pilot who is flying. Kind of tough to
beat that kind of "use fee."



**CNYIFS member Ray McArthur does a fly
by with his GWS Tiger Moth.**

My thanks also to Jim for letting me take
one of his Indoor models around the gym a
few times.



**Jim Florini with his Tom Hunt-designed
Miss Stick. Jim says this is the nicest
flying machine in his fleet.**

Ray Juschkus also visited the Levittown
Hall Swap Shop in January and sent the
following:

"Sunday morning, January 27, was an
unusual day on Long Island. The temperature
almost hit 60 degrees. The weather must
have driven modelers from near and far to
attend this event. They came in buses, vans,
and cars, and the place was packed.

"Everyone was looking to make a deal
with new and used items, and the stage was
loaded with RC models looking for new
homes. The bargaining was fierce and many
deals were made. You could see all the happy
faces carrying their models out to the cars.

"This event has been going on for many
years and people from all over look forward
to attending every year. The members of the
Nassau Flyers work very hard to make this
event a success and it always is.

"The man responsible for putting it all
together is my old friend Archie Defendini,
Contest Director, and two officers of the
club, Frank Parrinello, president, and James
Romano, treasurer (below).



**Nassau Flyers Archie Defendi, Frank
Parrinello, and Jim Romano.**

"Bob Bender, master builder of rubber
band models, was there to demonstrate how
his models fly and they were overhead all
day. He even had a rubber band model with
a miniature fan jet that really flew.

"I could watch him all day. He must have
the largest collection of rubber band models
in the country."

See you at the field. ✈