



HCRCC - AT THE FLYING FIELD

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It was a glorious Sunday afternoon and 70 degrees never felt so good! Lots of activity at the field and the flying was good. When I lived in New England one of the significant occasions in Vermont was the day they let the cows and calves out of the barn after a long cold winter. The "Critters" nearly went wild with excitement. I had that same feeling this weekend with the warm weather. I'll look for you at the field.... JRM



Nolan Ripple had his "need for speed" satisfied Sunday when he and Andy experienced the maiden flight on their recently purchased QuiQui Aircraft -Yak 54. The 86 inch wingspan model sports a DLE 55 engine and Nolan said it has more than enough power to make the big bird perform very well.

He said that they had procured the Yak airframe from RC Universe and had installed all the "good-ies" themselves. He was obviously quite pleased with the new addition to the Ripple Hangar.

Don Adams was enjoying the great flying weather and sporting his new Toledo Special. Sporting a 69 inch wingspan the model is powered by a Thunder Tiger 46.

Don said the model has made four or five trips to the flying field and is performing very well. He said the airplane had no bad habits and is a joy to fly.

Don said he uses a JR 9303 radio on the Toledo Special. This is one of those model airplanes that just looks like it was made to fly and enjoy every flight.



One of the stars of the Sunday afternoon air show was Wayne Raye Jr. When making an inverted pass over the runway at 50 feet, Wayne heard the engine in the P-47 starting to lose power. As he began to roll upright, the engine quit. He had enough speed to make a quick 180 and point the plane back towards the field. He gave it one notch of flaps and began urging the Thunderbolt back closer to the runway. Giving some credit to the tailwind, Wayne saw that the plane was now going to make the field, so gave it more flaps and landed downwind with a big "Wayne Raye" grin. Way to go Wayne!

