

# RC Propbusters Salem Flying Field

479 Norwich Rd., Salem, CT 06420



## VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.

The RC Propbusters is a member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics and was founded in 1937 one year after the AMA was formed. We are club 191 and there are over 2000 clubs in the USA and many more around the world. We number 150 members practicing all of the disciplines of model aviation.

[www.rcpropbusters.com](http://www.rcpropbusters.com)

## CLUB & FIELD DETAILS

RC Propbusters is one of the nation's oldest AMA clubs with one of the nicest flying fields in Connecticut.

## DEMONSTRATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

- RC Propbusters members have put on demonstrations for: Retirement villages, Chambers of Commerce special events, and Towns and Cities in Southeastern CT as a part of their town fairs and family days.
- We have made presentations and demonstrations to Elementary and Middle Schools as part of their Science Day Fairs.
- We have hosted Boy Scouts and Civil Air Patrol groups at our field and have given them the opportunity to try their hands at flying an RC model.
- For info. email us at: [info@rcpropbusters.com](mailto:info@rcpropbusters.com) or contact Bruce Danielson at: 860-237-2686

## FEATURES AT OUR FIELD

- Two flying fields
  - a. One for fixed wing aircraft
  - b. One for helicopters
- Well maintained grass field in the center of a large agricultural plot
- Four flying stations with barriers
- Protected pit area and Spectator area
- Picnic tables and shade trees
- Lockable gate for protection

## CLUB MEETINGS

Are held at the Salem Library, 264 Hartford Road (Rt. 85) Salem, CT on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM.

# RC PROPBUSTERS INCORPORATED



AMA Club No 191  
Founded 1937

## MODELERS MEMBERSHIP

If you have an interest in aviation, model aviation is a great way to enhance that interest. To become a member of the RC Propbusters of Salem Connecticut, you may contact any one of our members via our website to answer any questions you may have.

Membership applications are available on our website at:

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or at our club meetings. We meet at the Salem CT Library, 264 Hartford Road, (Route 85) the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM.

Remote control flying is a fun and satisfying experience for both men and women, young and old. If you have an interest in building airplane models, learning how to fly via remote control or just want to have a good time, this may be the hobby for you.

Several of our members joined as Juniors and have gone on to become Air Force aviators via the Air Force Academy, attended colleges or Universities to pursue careers in engineering and the sciences.

**Membership is free if you are 18 or less as of June of the current membership year.**

## VISIT OUR FLYING FIELD AND CHECK IT OUT.

We normally have trainers available so you can give flying an RC plane a try.

## HOW DO I GET STARTED?

Spend some time getting acquainted with the hobby before you rush off and buy a plane. Read some magazines, visit hobby stores and chat with people there. Visit a flying field like RC Propbusters Salem field and talk with the pilots. Go to a club meeting. You will find that almost always, people are anxious to talk about the hobby. Shop around for prices on some popular models of planes or helicopters and radios before you take the plunge.

Be prepared to spend \$100 to \$200 to get started. You will need to purchase the plane, engine or motor, radio and some accessories. You have the option of buying kits, planes almost ready to fly (ARF) or ready to fly (RTF) planes with radios. You should join the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) and a local club.

The AMA membership includes the required insurance to fly at a club field. Shop around to get the best prices. Talk to other flyers and get their thoughts on what and where to purchase. Buy reliable brands that are supported by local hobby stores.

## CAN A BEGINNER TEACH HIM/HERSELF TO FLY?

**It is not recommended!!** Learning to fly RC model airplanes is not a skill you can learn overnight. It is very similar to learning to fly real airplanes in that you should go through a learning phase with an instructor before you try to pilot the airplane yourself.

## WHAT DOES AN INSTRUCTOR DO?

The instructor will check out your model to make sure it is air worthy. He will fly it for the first time to assure it performs properly and can help make adjustments to the model as required. He will correct any mistakes you might make when you take over the controls for the first time.

The best instructional method uses a "buddy box". This setup requires two similar transmitters hooked together with an electrical cord or RF bounded depending upon the radio system used.

This allows the instructor and the student more time to recognize and correct mistakes. The instructor can take control of your plane anytime to assist when the student requires help.

## WHERE CAN I FIND INSTRUCTORS

RC Propbusters provides free instruction to new pilots learning how to fly remote control aircraft.

We have 3 colored membership badges; Red for Instructor, Blue for Pilot, and Yellow for Student. Any pilot can help train you but an instructor must check out your flying skills before you can be signed off to fly solo.

We often can provide trainers and "buddy boxes" to get you started on a limited basis. We recommend you go to our web site and call one of the instructors to help you get started.