

# Chattanooga Radio Control Club

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**WHO ARE WE?** The Chattanooga Radio Control Club is dedicated to the perpetuation and enjoyment of model aviation in all its forms. Our primary responsibilities are the maintenance and safe operation of our flying site at Summit Field, the cultivation of flying and modeling skills by our membership, and promotion of our sport within the community through public events and educational outreach.

**WHO CAN JOIN?** Membership in the CRCC is open to everyone. Annual dues are listed on the club's website under 'Club Info'. Members who are new to the sport receive a 50% discount from annual dues. The only membership prerequisite is enrollment in the [Academy of Model Aeronautics](#) at the level appropriate to your age and flying interest. **Applicants must provide proof of AMA membership.** Those with AMA 'Park Pilot' membership are welcome to apply, but are restricted by AMA to aircraft weighing 2 pounds or less, capable of speeds not exceeding 60 mph, and may not be powered with an internal combustion engine. Therefore, we encourage applicants to obtain *full* AMA membership as skills and interests quickly evolve into larger models, whether electric or combustion engine powered.

**FLYING AT SUMMIT FIELD** Summit Field is owned by the City of Chattanooga, who requires a locked entrance gate at all times. All new members must demonstrate flying proficiency as well as knowledge of all Safety Guidelines to be allowed open access to Summit Field. Experienced pilots can schedule a 'check flight' with one of our instructors. New pilots may be enrolled in a buddy-box training program with a club instructor which will conclude in a solo flight that meets minimum skill requirements. The club has fixed-wing training aircraft for new students who have yet to purchase their own equipment.

**WHAT EQUIPMENT SHOULD I BUY?** We recommend purchasing an aircraft suitable for flying conditions at Summit Field. Breezy weather can keep small or under-powered models on the ground – particularly if you are new to the sport. 'Trainer-type' airplanes weighing five pounds or more with adequate power are less prone to being bounced around by light breezes or mild gusts. We have had good success with the Sig Senior Kadet ... which should be powered by a .60 glow engine or comparable electric power system.

When selecting a first radio control system, it is recommended that new pilots opt for the 2.4 GHz equipment offered by most of the major manufacturers. A modestly-priced 4 or 5-channel system is suitable for most models. Just be sure to get a 'full range' system with rechargeable batteries ... not a 'short range' park flyer system.

It's best to make your purchasing decision after at least a couple of training flights with your instructor.

**HOW DO I GET STARTED?** Prospective members should establish e-mail contact with the club president at [president@crccflyers.org](mailto:president@crccflyers.org), or simply mail your contact information to Paul C. Wright, CRCC President, 1249 Enclave Rd., Chattanooga, TN 37415. Upon verification of AMA membership and receipt of first year dues, we will schedule your check flight or training program.

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**CONTACT ME** I am interested in learning more about joining the Chattanooga Radio Control Club. Please contact me at:

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Age

I am a:

- New pilot (no experience)
- Former pilot (returning to the sport)
- Experienced pilot (current AMA pilot)

I am primarily interested in:

- Fixed wing aircraft
- Helicopters

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