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Connecticut might be the third smallest state in the U.S., but AMA RC fliers here have very big hearts when it comes to community service. Associate Vice President (AVP) Andy Figlar sent the following report.

In September 2015, the East Coast Swamp Flyers Inc., White Hills Eagles RC Club, and Wintonbury Flying Club offered their unique brand of flying entertainment to the public free of charge. Tom Rocheleau, the president of the Wintonbury club, hosted this year's event as a multiclub Giant Scale Fly-In. Community residents were provided seating under a huge shade structure, offered hot dogs, hamburgers, and drinks, and enjoyed watching a wide range of RC Giant Scale airplanes and multicopters, flown by skilled pilots on a beautiful sunny weekend.

AVP Bill Unghire told us that the Wintonbury Flying Club has been inviting the residents of the Seabury Retirement Home to watch events for over a decade. Thirty-two years ago, the club started this popular and well-attended Labor Day weekend Giant Scale Fly-In.

Bill Roy, president of the Connecticut Model Airplane Club, attended the event with me and took the pictures. Alan Willete served as the contest director (CD).

We had the opportunity to meet some of the notable builders, examine their exquisite aircraft, and watch their fine scalelike flying. Don Chamblain's 145-inch Carbon Cub served as the tow plane for Soaring aircraft. Mark



The East Coast Swamp Flyers Inc., White Hills Eagles RC Club, and Wintonbury Flying Club partnered for the annual Wintonbury Giant Scale Fly-In on September 6, 2015.



(L-R) AVP Bill Unghire, AVP Andy Figlar, Bill Roy, president of the Connecticut Model Aircraft Club, CD Alan Willete, and Tom Rocheleau, the Wintonbury Club president.



L-R) Tom Johnson and son, Ken, flew their twin-engine Skymaster.



(R) Chris Petriccione flew his BF-109.

Castiglione's scratch-built P-51 Mustang, and Chris Petriccione's BF-109 Martels were two of the excellent World War II aircraft flown.

Tom Johnson and his son flew their unique twin-engine Skymaster. Everyone who attended expressed that they had a fantastic time at the event.



Don Chamblain flew his Carbon Cub.



Mark Castiglione's scratch-built P-51.

Thanks AVP Andy Figlar for another fine event report about community goodwill. 🛩️

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