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Huge tents spread out at the Sanford Regional Airport accommodated participants in the second Horizon Air Meet and Maine Jet Rally initiated by AVP Ray LaBonte.

Because of the extraordinary efforts of Associate Vice President (AVP) Ray LaBonte of Ray & Robin's Hobby Center in Falmouth, Maine, and the partnership he formed with Horizon Hobby, we were again treated to the 2014 Horizon Air Meet at the Maine Jet Rally air show extravaganza.

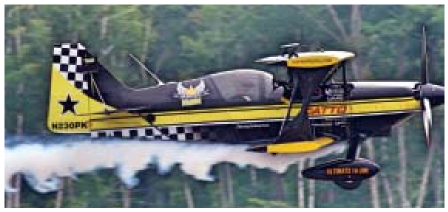
Several AMA representatives attended, including Bob Brown, Gary Fitch, Dave Mathewson, Tony Stillman, and me to answer questions about aeromodeling and the AMA. AVPs Tom Rocheleau and Steve Brehm spent time escorting groups of school children around to the many activities and answering questions.

As with the first event in 2012, the primary focuses were turbine-powered model aircraft, demonstrations of Horizon Hobby's new RC products, and impressive flying by some of the world's best RC pilots. The photos and captions tell more about the aircraft at the event.

RC vehicle racing and demos were handled by Heath Jackson of Maximus Hobby Shop in Maine, Chris Marcy of R/C Madness in Connecticut, and Todd Anderson of RC Excitement Hobby and Race complex in Massachusetts. The main off-road track featured New England Off-Road Championship competition.

Other activities included helicopter, micro-electric, Control Line flying, and some impressive model rockets.

I want to thank Ray, Horizon Hobby, and the many volunteers who spent countless hours preparing for and running the rally. Information about future events will be available at www.mainejetrally.org.



Dan Marcottee wowed all while flying his full-scale Ultimate Air Show performance.

The AMA flight simulator trailer was busy with aspiring pilots testing their skills.

Two national aerobatics champions, Mike McConville (L) in RC flying and Matt Chapman (R) in full-scale flying, flew formation aerobatics together at the air show.

These photos show off the variety of aircraft, including colorful turbine-powered sport airplanes, World War II scale multiengine airplanes and giant-size aircraft, at the meet.

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