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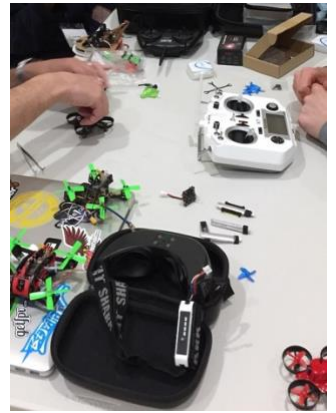
CNY Drones @RoboSpartans Robotics operates as a STEM group, graciously hosted under the 501(c)3 of the Griffiss Institute in cooperation with great community resources. We gladly accept monetary & non-monetary donations as well as new volunteers.

Central New York's Drone Community Info Hub Promoting STEM Education & Safety Awareness

Regional drone enthusiast information hub, along with STEM-based interactive demonstrations, clinics, workshops, races and an indoor team drone competition, created out of concern for our community and backed by local organizations. Grow with us!

Drone Tech Meet - Saturday, June 16 @ SUNY Poly

The minute nice weather hits, schedules fill with outdoor chores, graduations and vacations – we get it. For now, our indoor program for the summer will start with a **Drone Tech Meet, Saturday, June 16**, in SUNY Polytechnic Institute's Donovan Hall, Center for Global Advanced Manufacturing (CGAM) G160, 6:30-10:00pm. \$5 donation at the door. Age 11+. Attendees will determine the need for additional July and August Meets. In the Fall, SUNY Poly's AMA UMASC will host some flying events on Monday evenings and we'll host some Friday Night Flights along with Experience FPV Sessions. In the meantime, if you have a couple interested friends, contact us. We would be happy to schedule an Experience FPV Session for groups of 3-8.



Catch Us at Summer Events *races to be confirmed @ MultiGP.com

- June 9, Sat, MultiGP Race, Peterpaul Recreation Park, Rome*
- June 16, Sat, MASC/UMASC MultiGP Drone Tech Meet, SUNY Poly*
- July 7, Sat, Boilermaker Expo, MVCC Utica
- July 14, Sat, NYPD Mini-Challenge, Queens, NY
- July 19, Thurs, New Hartford Fire Truck Spectacular, NH Shopping Center
- July 22, Sun, MultiGP Race, Great Northern Mall, Clay*
- Aug 8, Wed, Drones Over Downtown, The Tech Garden, Syracuse
- Aug 19, Sun, MultiGP Race, Town of Sullivan*
- Aug 25 & 26, Sat & Sun, NYS Fair STEAM Exhibit, NYS Fairgrounds
- Sept 15, Sat, NEON Night Race II, SUNY Poly Utica Campus*

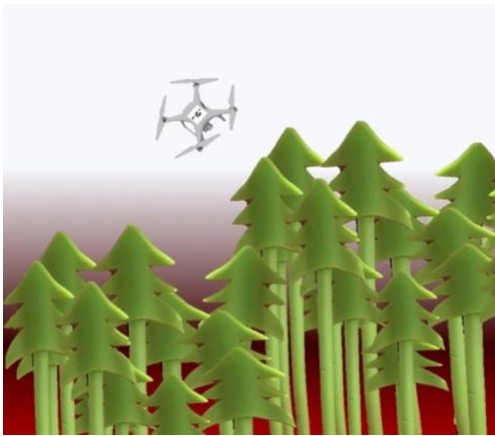
Calling all drone photographers and videographers! How about a Tech Meeting specifically for your interests? It's time to gather and share ideas! We need a few experts to help facilitate. This is a new area for us. Contact us if you want to help build this as a regular program. We're willing if you are!

Fall Build, Fly & Take Home Workshop! SUNY Poly's AMA UMASC's mid-September program for SUNY students. We have space for a few registrants from the community, age 11+. Requires drone purchase & registration via PayPal by mid-August. Contact us for details! Spots will go fast.



Forest Fury Update

We're building on the success of Rig Rescue with our 2019 Indoor STEM-Based Team Drone Challenge, Forest Fury! Once again, the kick-off and competition will be hosted the SUNY AMA University Model Aviation Student Club. The Club requested the following dates at SUNY Polytechnic Institute Utica Campus: Kick-Off & Drone Info Day, Sunday, **September 30, 2018** and 2019 Forest Fury Challenge on Sunday, **April 7, 2018**. A second competition may be added either prior to or after the April date, depending on interest. We are honored by the support of the local UMASC and other SUNY clubs that provide such enthusiastic volunteers great community focused STEM programs! 2019 Forest Fury registration will open on September 30th and close on January 31, 2019, or when team slots fill, whichever is first. Our NEW deadline will insure space for the anticipated increase in teams. Another heads-up for teams considering this season – your pilot(s) must have an AMA number upon team registration for the event. Pending registrations will not be accepted. Since AMA membership for those under 19 is FREE – for most, the change is only a matter of getting paperwork done earlier! It's never too early to start planning!



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Model Aviation Student Club (MASC) Help Is Here!

For those of you starting your own drone club or in need of help getting your current club connected and/or covered by insurance, we've established a page on our site to provide all the essentials needed to become an AMA MASC. As New York's 1st AMA MASC we're holding the torch high and giving assistance to those who want to join a great new network of clubs! Check out the "Community" section of our website.



Outdoor and Indoor MultiGP Summer Races Set



Interested in getting started in drone racing? Join the CNY Drones Chapter for FREE! Questions? **Contact: Paul Brown (louispfloyd@gmail.com)**, Chapter Racing Coordinator. He's been busy setting up races at several new locations from Syracuse to Rome to Utica. Races typically have an entry fee to help cover event costs - food, water, equipment repairs and upgrades. Many of us volunteer just to be a part of the fun - some are there to help promote STEM - others are there to learn more about racing. If you'd like to get closer to the action, check out our online calendar and the MultiGP site for race dates and let us know your availability to volunteer!

IMPORTANT!!! Champions needed to keep our community connected to the drone education & employment pipeline!

Help us become a self-sustaining organization so we can continue to grow interest in the exploration of drone technology and support the recreational drone community! **Annual sponsorships** allow us to continue offering our low & no-cost programs and help us build and maintain a needed equipment inventory. No other regional community group, foundation or school does what we do. News of our work now reaches far beyond New York State. We receive invitations to STEM and student events weekly. Far too many are turned down due to a lack of funding to support our equipment and transportation costs.

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We are run by the community, for the community. We invite your ideas! **CNYDrones@gmail.com**