

DISTRICT NEWS



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This is the last call for applications for many AMA programs and grants, such as Take off And Grow (TAG), Flying Site Improvement Grants, AMA scholarships, and more. Somebody is going to get the money, so why not you and your club? Submit your applications at www.modelaircraft.org/programs/ama-dates-remember.

One such club has been doing just that through its hard work, perseverance, and a lot of social media. Congratulations to Dare County Radio Control Flyers (DCRCF), a club that has received the Award of Merit for exemplary community awareness and outreach representing AMA District IV.

DCRCF (www.dccrf.club), located on the Outer Banks of North Carolina, held a very successful TAG event. The Outer Banks Festival of Model Aviation, on October 7, 2023. This report comes from Jim Davis, club president, and Robert Yanacek, vice president, of DCRCF. The club's leadership team prepared and submitted a comprehensive post-event TAG report to the AMA:

"I think we finally cracked the bubble on how to gain new club members as well as AMA memberships. Our club of 21 members has raised its members to 35 after our TAG event. That's 14 new members. We are thrilled to say the least. I assume you would like to know how we did the, so here we go."

"Robert deserves most of the credit for pulling this off as well as our whole club for working as a team to make this an awesome event. Robert worked hard to get the word out. He sent notices to many social media sites, including Facebook, Instagram, and many others."

"Robert applied for. And we received. An AMA TAG grant which we used to plan the event with



food, great prizes, (three airplane packages, each with one-year AMA memberships), and others to make it fun. We had a great turnout, from adult kids, to young ones. The club members put on a good show with many types of airplanes."

"To qualify for one of the airplane prizes, you had to first fly with one of our instructor introductory pilots. Those people were given a raffle ticket for the drawing at the end of the day. The raffle ticket recipient also had to agree that if they won a prize airplane package, they would join our club and learn how to fly."