

Central New York's volunteer-run community organization sparking interest in the drone education & employment pipeline - since 2016!

# NATIONAL - U.S. Drone Soccer Championship Landing in NY!

**AMA Region II hosting the National Competition** 

Thanks to the continued support SUNY Polytechnic Institute's College of Engineering, SUNY AMA and CNY Drones are set to host both the U.S. Drone Soccer Region II (NY/NJ) Championship on March 26, 2023 & the National Championship on April 16, 2023. Preparatory Tech Meets are giving teams & educators opportunities to gain further insight into the sport & game play. For Season 1, we realize that most teams from NY will compete for the first time at the Region II Championship. In subsequent seasons there will be plenty of regional gameplay available as Arena Sites hold their own events to prepare teams for our Championship.



Current & planned 2023 Arena Sites (those who have purchased the official Professional Arena) should contact CNY **Drones** coordinate event dates as soon as possible for the 2023-2024 Season & to begin discussing Region Ш National Championship plans. Kick-off, Monthly Tech

Meets & Championship dates have already been determined for this season & are tentatively booked for 2023-2024.

### Ordered equipment? Now what? – Contact CNY Drones!

CNY Drones is here to help even BEFORE you receive equipment! We have suggestions for safe storage & organization along with review topics in preparation for U.S. Drone Soccer Professional Development training. Contact us for access to our Region II Support Drive Folder for suggested ancillary products & insight into topics prior to any build.

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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.

#### **Tech Meets, Workshops & Support Services**

We offer what we wish we had for other STEM programs – a support system. We're here when you have questions or troubleshooting issues. If you are preparing for a demo, we can help with that also. We're holding monthly Tech Meets. Our goal is to have opportunities for questions, troubleshooting, gameplay & learning. As needed, Tech Meets will include workshops on specific topics. The more you attend, the more you'll learn. Check our website calendar for details.

**NEXT WORKSHOP:** BetaFlight Software for U.S. Drone Soccer, Dec 3, 2022, 10:00am-12:00pm By pre-registration only. @ SUNY Polytechnic Institute. Contact us ASAP to reserve your seat. Due to the nature of this workshop, in-person attendance is prerferred. Equipment requirements are listed on our flier at CNYDrones.org.

Have a team or classroom of students flying? Now what? It's time to start connecting with other teams, other schools – starting with those in New York/New Jersey. Arena Sites & Coaches – we need you to contact us ASAP! If you're team is ready to practice or compete with others – let us know!

Holding an event, demo or giving a presentation? Let us help! We're happy to share advice on planning, slides from U.S. Drone Soccer along with slides that we created. We also would like to pass along photos, videos & stories you create about your team.

#### Hat's off to our friends at Madrid-Waddington CSD!

We are pleased to support such a gracious group of educators & students who are making their mark by establishing themselves as the premier team in the North Country! If you want to know how to make drone soccer work, look no further than Madrid-Waddington! They've taken every play in our book & took it to a whole new level! We recently attended the North Country Collaborative Conference to see them in action. So impressive!



#### **AMA Affiliation?**

The Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) membership & programs promote safe flying for all types of aeromodelling. We strongly urge schools getting started with drone soccer - or drones of any kind - form a Model Aviation Student Club under the AMA. The cost is reasonable, students gain valuable safety information & connections to great aviation programs, and both school groups and individuals involved are covered under AMA insurance for events, practices, & individual drone use. The AMA was founded in 1936 as the national body for model aviation. CNY Drones is an AMA Model Aviation Student Club (MASC) & SUNY Poly AMA is a University Model Aviation Student Club (UMASC). U.S. Drone Soccer is a Special Interest Group & certified STEAM program under the AMA.

What is our Support System? It includes our informational website & social media outreach, educator & team online resource drive, dedicated on-call technical assistants (U.S. Drone Soccer Instructor Certified & FAA Certified Commercial Drone Pilots), & a central administration hub for U.S. Drone Soccer Region II & recreational drone owners under the CNY Drones AMA MASC. We support the drone technology pipeline!



#### Invest in STEM. Invest in CNY Drones Volunteers!