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MILLENNIUM R/C – AN INNOVATIVE NEWCOMER AT THE 54TH ANNUAL R/C MODEL SHOW IN TOLEDO

TOLEDO, OH, April 4-6, 2008 – Thousands of R/C modeling enthusiasts will converge upon the SeaGate Centre in downtown Toledo this next weekend as the Weak Signals R/C Club hosts the 54th Annual R/C Model Show. Newcomer to the show, but not to the hobby, is an up and coming little company hailing all the way from sunny Orlando, Florida – **Millennium R/C** whose innovative products for electric R/C airplane enthusiasts and their exceptional customer service have allowed them to gather quite a fan base not just across the US, but across the world in an incredibly short amount of time thanks to the power of the worldwide web.

Millennium R/C released its premier product, the **Slow Stick X**, just over a year ago, after the company's president, James Karpy, was met with petitions by observers at his local flying field, to make available as a product the aerobatic balsa upgrade kit he had designed himself for his own electric stick-flyer which originally had only floppy foam wings. Mr. Karpy, a circuit board designer by trade, had never intended to turn his passion for R/C airplanes into a business, but the demand and the opportunity was there, especially after a sudden layoff. Now, just months later, Millennium R/C has grown to offer that same plane, not only as a build kit laser-cut in the USA, but also as an ARF (Almost Ready to Fly) package which has been manufactured abroad and comes already pre-built and covered, needing only a short final assembly time and installation of the power system. In addition to that initial design, Mr. Karpy has continued to expand his innovative designs to include a miniature version of the Slow Stick X called the **MicroSSX**, with a wing span of just 21 ½" and a flying weight of around 5 oz. This popular model is now also available as a laser cut balsa build kit or as an ARF. Fueled by the enthusiasm of his first few customers, and their support on websites such as *RC Groups*, an avid hangout for R/C hobbyists, Mr. Karpy has continued to design and develop products which he feels meet the needs and likes of fellow R/C modelers. The original landing gear on the stick airplanes consisted of just some flimsy bent wire, so James stood up to the challenge to design a better landing gear, consisting of ABS plastic/nylon blend pieces and solid carbon fiber rods which make it durable, lightweight and easy to repair in the field after a bad crash. He also thought ahead on how he could design it to adapt to many other airplanes, thus increasing its appeal. Of course, having parts molded is no inexpensive or easy task, but thanks to the support and cooperation of one of his original customers, arrangements were made so the parts could be molded right here in the USA by Models, LLC in Indiana. This new **X-Gear**, available in a variety of colors, has become extremely popular, even among those who are trying their luck with aerial photography. Someone on the blogs challenged James to make a biplane like the MicroSSX, and after some days

and nights at the drawing table, the new **MicroSSX Biplane** has now become one of Millennium R/C's most sought after airplanes, with positive reviews and videos of dogfights appearing online.

Mr. Karpy was also approached about designing a wing/tail upgrade to the original Slow Stick which would have the aerobatic abilities of his Slow Stick X, with all the needed control surfaces, but would also keep the dihedral in the wing, thus making it easier for someone just learning how to fly to get a hang of how these really work. The challenge became another new product, the **X-Trainer** airplane which is currently available as a build kit, allowing anyone who already has the floppy foam wings of a Slow Stick to build the new aerobatic wing/tail sections and attach them easily using the enclosed hardware. A build kit bundle is also available which includes the fuselage and the innovative X-Gear landing gear. Many first-time builders have found Millennium R/C's laser-cut build kits to be a great place to start, as the pieces fit smoothly together like a 3-D puzzle and the instructions are well-illustrated and written clearly in English, with all the airplanes having their own build thread full of pictures and tips online.

The newest project to come off the drawing board and into the marketplace is **Millennium R/C's new outrunner motor mount**, made of the same high-quality ABS plastic/nylon blend as the X-Gear, which provides a strong, affordable and lightweight solution for mounting an outrunner motor to any 10mm x 10mm fuselage stick. It is designed to fit a variety of motors and weighs in at only 5 grams.

As can be seen, Millennium R/C has really taken off as a company to be noticed in the world of R/C model airplanes. With this being its premier appearance at the Toledo Model Show this next weekend, it can be expected that its little booth will be one of the hottest spots at the show, if other shows they attended in their first year, such as the Southeast Electric Flight Festival (SEFF) in Georgia, the NEAT Fair (Northeast Electric Aircraft Technology Fair) in New York, or the Southeastern Model Show in Perry, Georgia are an indication of things to come. All of their products will be available at special show prices and attendees can try their hand at flying several of their planes right at their booth, using realistic model replicas of the planes on the Real Flight Simulator which will be available.

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