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Premiere at INTERMODELLBAU 2026: DMFV hosts the first Skycart Masters

New RC flying competition brings together young and old, professionals and beginners

When the model-making world meets again for four days in April at the Dortmund exhibition halls, visitors of all ages to INTERMODELLBAU can look forward to many new features. The model aircraft builders of the German Model Aviation Association (DMFV) have put a lot of thought into this. They have come up with a new event especially for the trade fair: the INTERMODELLBAU Skycart Masters, which will celebrate its premiere in 2026. And there's more: the DMFV youth organization JUMP! has even designed a model aircraft especially for this competition.

Dortmund, 13 January 2026 – The **Skycart** is a flying and gliding fun model that is not only robustly built, but also easy to control and full of possibilities. This makes it the perfect model for a trade fair competition that aims to bring together young and old, professionals and newcomers to RC flying. The promise from DMFV and JUMP!: Anyone can build the Skycart themselves - using inexpensive materials or an affordable kit.

The first **INTERMODELLBAU Skycart Masters** will, of course, take place in the large flight area in **Hall 3**, the home of model aviation. Here, pilots young and experienced will thrill visitors every day during the trade fair with impressive demonstrations. Different flight shows will alternate every hour and are sure to be a magnet for visitors. The new competition now offers a low-threshold introduction to this fascinating activity. And that is precisely the goal: to make RC model aircraft flying tangible, visible, and understandable. And to present it for what it is: a dynamic, varied hobby that is fun and connects (generations).

To this end, the young talents at JUMP! have developed an indoor device that can glide across the hall floor and move through the air with equal ease. It is based on a simple, rectangular polypropylene plate on which a lightweight box fuselage with a vertical stabilizer is mounted, supplemented by two rudder flaps at the rear. An 8 x 4.4-inch propeller is also required for

the competition. **Marcel Möcking**, responsible for trade fairs and events at the German Model Aviation Association, assures: "A model that anyone can fly and drive! Beginners can also build the Skycart without any complex prior knowledge. The first models were built and tested this winter by our JUMP! team pilots Jonathan Braeker and Konrad Lange. Whether ground racing, slalom, 3D freestyle, rolling, loops, torque, limbo, or fox hunting – both pilots and the first spectators were thrilled!"

The Skycart will be officially presented for the first time at INTERMODELLBAU. The Skycart Masters are designed as an international championship and are organized by DMFV and JUMP!. The course consists of a slalom track, drifting, gliding phases, and a return flight line. In addition to speed, precision and skill will be decisive. Whether professional or beginner – everyone flies with the same propulsion, and the model size is clearly limited. The focus is on safety, fairness, and fun!

"I am very much looking forward to this premiere," explains Marcel Möcking. "Our trade fair appearance at INTERMODELLBAU has one main goal every year: to show how the hobby of RC model aircraft building promotes community, cohesion, enthusiasm, and also an understanding of technology. This is where young talent show itself, where it becomes clear that getting started is very easy. Here, young and old tinker together. And now, with this competition, everyone can be a part of it. I'm really excited."

More information about the Skycart and the INTERMODELLBAU Skycart Masters is available in advance upon request at info@dmfv.aero or directly at the **DMFV booth in Hall 3**. Registrations are also handled by the DMFV.

Trade fair visitors who have been inspired by the DMFV's activities can, of course, also take immediate action at INTRMODELLBAU. In the model aircraft construction section, exhibitors include **aero-naut Modellbau GmbH & Co. KG**, **Torro GmbH**, **Setro Elektronik GmbH**, **Klaus Krick Modelltechnik**, **RC Modelle Gerlach** und **ZieHa**. Accessories and materials are available at the stands of **Lemato BV** and **Daim's Kabelshop**, among others.

>>> Companies in the field of model aircraft construction who would like to present their products at INTERMODELLBAU still have the opportunity to register. **Stand registrations** can be made online here.

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Once a year, the world's largest exhibition for model making and model sports opens its doors to everyone interested in experiencing the world scaled down to miniature proportions. Here, a huge range of exhibitors, models, layouts and products from all over the world delight experienced model builders, new enthusiasts as well as the entire families. Whether it is aircraft, railways, boats, ships or cars – either working models or cardboard modelling – there is something for everyone. Visitors can also experience model making – literally – at first hand at Dortmund Exhibition Centre, as numerous hands-on activities, demonstrations and feature shows await them at INTERMODELLBAU.

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experienced model builders as well as newcomers and families

ORGANISER:
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