



Summer Events Announcements!

We have lined up a full program of summer events which are listed below. Please note that this is the only published Flyer you will receive this summer until the first winter Flyer is published in the fall. Our editor Tom Gottlieb, takes a break from writing over the summer to make room for flying! So save this edition and mark the dates on your calendar.



Nothing says "Summer" like a good old fashioned Barbeque so we figured what could be better than meeting up with all your Humber friends to show off your flying and also get all the hot dogs and burgers you can eat!

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Sun Jul 10 th	Summer Fun Fly and BBQ at the Field - 10:00am to 2:00pm
Sat Jul 23 rd	¹ Combat Event - Noon to 2pm.
Sun Jul 31 st	² Summer Fun Fly, Contests and BBQ at the Field - 10:00am to 2:00pm
Sat Aug 13 th	¹ Combat Event - Noon to 2pm.
Sun Aug 21 st	Summer Float Fly and BBQ Indian Line Campground 10:00am to 3:00pm
Sat Sep 24 th	¹ Combat Event - Noon to 2pm.
Sat Oct 8 th	¹ Combat Event - PLUS Final season BBQ - Noon to 2pm.

¹ Note: Please be advised that combat participants will have priority use of the field during combat heats. Each heat is 5 minutes in the air but takes about 15 minutes to organize and run. No general sport flying will be allowed during heats but general sport flying can resume between heats. Please cooperate with **Bruce Gillespie** and any other officials he appoints to share the use of the field and enjoy watching the action if you are not participating. Also contact Bruce and check the Forum for any last minute updates, weather notices or more information on how to get involved in RC Combat.

² Note: We need volunteers to propose and run contests or games for the **July 31st Fun Fly**. Please contact **Milt Charlton** to help or propose an activity you would run. We hope to have prizes available for winners.

Your 2016 Executive

- President, Val Oddo (416) 566-9807
- Past President, Paul McMillan (905) 851-7387
- Vice President & Editor, Tom Gottlieb (416) 781-3189
- Treasurer, Bruce Gillespie..... (416) 741-4385
- Secretary, Danny Karaiskakis..... (416) 356-1295
- Program Director, Milton Charlton..... (416) 783-6413
- Field Officer, John Neves (416) 937-8579
- Chief Instructor/Safety Officer, Tony Phan (416) 436-8088

Other Appointed Positions:

- Web Master, Paul McMillan..... (905) 851-7387

Summer Float Fly & BBQ - Sun Aug 21st

Program Director **Milt Charlton** has reserved the Indian Line Campground for our 5th annual Float Fly. The site is very close to our field. Last year's float fly was a huge success with a large attendance, great food, great weather and about a dozen float planes showed up. Once again we are "loaded for bear" (or fish) with our very own aluminum retrieval boat.

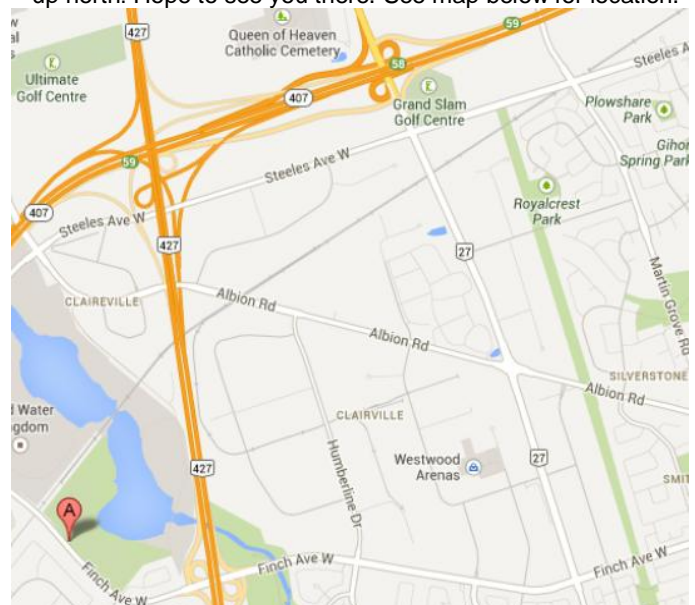


This site is ideal for float flying since it is a water reservoir and there are no swimmers to get in the way; and it is very close to our field at:

Indian Line Campground
7625 Finch Ave W, Brampton, ON L6T 3Y7

To get there:

- Travel west from our flying field along Steeles Ave. (5 km)
- Turn south (left) on to Finch Ave.(first light west of Hwy 50)
- Travel south a short way, and turn in at the blue Indian Line Campground sign on your left, just after going under the railway bridge.
- The site is in the north east corner of the campground.
- Tell the gatekeeper if you are a senior (over 65) and that you are a Humber Valley member. We are covering the admission fee for all paid up members! What a deal!
- Even if you don't have a float plane, this is a chance to come out and see how it is done. We hope you can make it and bring your friends and family to see the action. It is rare to be able to host a Float Fly so close to the city – no 2 hour drive up north! Hope to see you there. See map below for location.





Grass Cutting Schedule Organized



Paul McMillan has organized the grass cutting this year and posted the schedule on the Members' Section of the web site. Thanks to all those members who are participating in keeping the field in top shape. Current volunteers are:

- Bruce Gillespie
- Ryan Webster
- Ernie Dawson
- Michael D'Antonio
- Terrence Allen
- Jeff Shimo
- John Neves

The schedule can be downloaded from the Members' Section of the web site. If you need the Members' Section password, contact any executive. Please use the following guidelines regarding the schedule:

- 1) Do not cut the field on any day other than your scheduled day. It is frustrating for a volunteer to show up on his day, only to find out the grass does not need a cut.
- 2) If you are rained out, try to cut on the next possible day.
- 3) If you have a personal conflict and cannot do your scheduled day, call the person on the list with the next scheduled day and try to negotiate a swap. If you cannot fill your spot, call or email Paul McMillan.
- 4) If there is an open unassigned date and you could volunteer to do another cut, call or email Paul to add your name to the schedule.
- 5) If everyone tries their best to co-operate, we should be in good shape.

We can always use a few more volunteers to help cut the grass and have a blast riding our cool mower! We will teach you everything you need to know and it only involves one or two days a month. If you can help, contact Paul McMillan at (905) 851-7387 or email at rpmcmillan@sympatico.ca.

Vice President & Editor's Report



The Humber Valley Flyer is published monthly from October to April. I always send it out one week prior to each winter meeting. In July, I publish a summer edition like this one to announce summer events.



The Flyer has a circulation of about 215 consisting of:

- 100 current and previous year members by e-mail
- 15 members by regular mail
- 100 web subscribers by e-mail

I am so pleased to see all the field improvements that have been put in place over the last few years. We really have a first class facility. I hope you get a chance to come out and fly with us this summer. ...**Tom Gottlieb, Vice President and Editor**

Zero Tolerance Safety Policy Reminder



We are off to a very busy start of the summer season and we have a lot of new members starting up in the hobby. There is more diversity in aircraft size, weight and power options, and this has caused some members to lose sight of the importance of safety at the field. The

executive wishes to remind all pilots how important it is for everyone to be aware of and observe all club safety guidelines and the consequences you will face if you do not follow them.

We would like to further remind all members that flying at Humber Valley's field is a **privilege - not a right**, and you can lose that privilege if you do not follow the club's guidelines which are designed to ensure the safety of all flyers and spectators.

Why do we have safety guidelines?

We have safety guidelines for three main reasons:

1) First and foremost, our field insurance is dependent on all MAAC and club safety guidelines being followed. Should an accident occur, our MAAC insurance would be null and void if an investigation showed that it occurred during a guideline violation.

2) The second reason we have guidelines is to ensure the safety of members and spectators at the field.

3) The third reason is the preservation of our field for our mutual enjoyment. It's easy for new members to take our field for granted. It was there when they discovered the club so what's the big deal? The fact is that clubs are losing fields all over America due to urban sprawl, environmental concerns (noise) and public safety issues. If a field is too close to roads or housing and generates citizen complains – it is a sure death sentence to a good flying site. Our field is a rare jewel for a large city like Toronto. The fact that it sits on an old land fill site and is surrounded by power lines, railway tracks and highway makes it virtually useless for development and ideal for us. We have a very good relationship with the City Parks Department and we are not in danger of losing flying rights - as long as we use the site responsibly.

Where can you find the club's safety guidelines?

1. See page 4 of this Flyer!
2. Posted on the frequency board at the field.
3. Available on the club web site.

There is no excuse for any member not knowing the guidelines. When you signed your application form, you signed a statement saying **"I understand that I must abide by all HVRCF and MAAC Guidelines, which I have read and understand, and that my membership is subject to approval, and that it may be cancelled at any time."**

Here are the most important safety guidelines

1. No taxiing in the pit area or behind the flight line, and no flying south of, or over the flight line and the pit area or north of the railroad tracks for any reason.
2. After unloading/loading aircraft and equipment, members must remove their vehicles from the designated loading/unloading area. There is no standing of vehicles on the grass or near the shed.



3. Post your MAAC and current Member Card on the frequency board. Forgot your card? Go home and get it!
4. No one should stand in front of the safety fence.
5. Except to start your engine, no one should stand in front of the prop or in the prop arc. Always stand and adjust engines from behind the prop.
6. Always fly in the established circuit direction. Change direction by mutual agreement of active flyers.
7. Guest pilots must be sponsored by a current member and be supervised by the member to observe club safety guidelines and must present a valid MAAC card to fly.

Guidelines for Dropping off Large Loads at the Field

The most common offence is the tendency of members to drive into the pit area to unload their cars and leaving vehicles permanently parked outside designated parking areas. This is a safety concern and interferes with other members using the space around the container and shelter. For the convenience of anyone with physical difficulties or with large equipment, pilots may drive up behind the storage container or immediately behind (south of) the sun shelter to temporarily drop off or load equipment. However, please move your vehicle to the main parking lot (or the new parking area south of the container) after unloading and never park adjacent to the shelter or in the pit area. The pit area is NOT for loading or unloading.

This rule must be followed because MAAC sets minimum distances from the flight line or it will not insure the club. The parking area must be 30 meters from the flight line. This also means that helicopters may not use the pit area for practicing hovering. Use the heli field for this purpose.

Always Hang Your MAAC and Humber Valley Card!

The next most common offense is not hanging your MAAC and club cards on the frequency board. Make a habit of keeping your cards in your flight box and always post it if you plan to fly.

Spectators

Unaccompanied spectators must be cautioned to stay behind the pit area unless invited to a starting station under the direct supervision of a member.

Members should be careful to inform their guests about staying well clear of, and behind running engines.

SPECTATORS

For Your Safety, please stay behind the starting stations unless escorted by a member.

Humber Valley RC Flyers

What will happen to you if you fail to follow guidelines?

Members who come to the field want to enjoy the day flying. They don't want to act as a police force that has to reprimand others of rule infractions. Therefore it is your responsibility to obey all guidelines. With the exception of minor accidental flight line violations, any member seen by an executive or reported and verified by members as breaking any club safety guidelines may be subject to disciplinary actions as permitted and defined by our constitution.

PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY

Disciplinary Actions in our Constitution

A member may be subject to the following disciplinary actions and procedures by the Executive Committee in response to any incident or incidents caused by the member or member's actions considered to be unsafe or detrimental to the Club including but not limited to safety or guideline violations, noise concerns or generally poor conduct. Three levels of action can be taken as follows:

- a) Grounding,
- b) Suspension,
- c) Expulsion.

a) Grounding

Any member of the Executive Committee may ground a club member verbally at the field for action(s) of the member considered to be unsafe or detrimental to the Club. The grounded member may not fly any aircraft for the remainder of the day but is automatically cleared to fly on the following day. A grounded member who ignores a grounding order and continues to fly may be subject to further disciplinary actions described below.

b) Suspension

The Executive Committee may suspend a member for repeated actions considered to be unsafe or detrimental to the best interests of the Club. The member shall be notified of the reason for the suspension which shall be effective as of the date of notice. The notice shall suspend the member's flying privileges indefinitely and provide terms and/or conditions for reinstatement. The suspended member may respond to the suspension notice acknowledging and agreeing to the reinstatement conditions or provide other rationale for reinstatement. The Executive Committee shall decide by majority vote to either approve the member's reinstatement and so notify the member, or proceed with expulsion of the member.

c) Expulsion

A member may be expelled from the Club because of any continued action or actions by the member considered by the Executive Committee to be unsafe or detrimental to the best interests of the Club. At its option, the Executive Committee may notify the member of its intent to expel. The Executive Committee shall decide by majority vote on the expulsion of the member from the Club by cancelling the membership and shall notify the member of its final decision.

Get Involved and Join a Committee!

It is a lot of work to run the club and most of it falls on the club executive. We could sure use a hand and feel the best way to get this going is to form committees in a number of areas. You will hear more about this in the fall.

Ask not what your club can do for you.
Ask what you can do for your club.

Can you help? Contact the committee lead:

- Events (Float/Fun Flies) Milt Charlton
- Program (meeting planning, food)..... Milt Charlton
- Grass Cutting..... Paul McMillan
- Noise..... Val Oddo
- Safety..... Tony Phan
- Field Operations (signage, repair)..... John Neves
- Web Site..... Paul McMillan
- Indoor..... Val Oddo
- Combat Bruce Gillespie



HUMBER VALLEY R/C FLYERS

Field Safety Guidelines

1. All members should make safety their first priority during any club activity and follow the safety guidelines set out by MAAC and the Club.
2. ALL 72 MHz TRANSMITTERS should claim exclusive use of a 72 MHz channel, by placing a tag on the frequency board before turning on the transmitter.
3. Pilots should not start an engine or motor directly behind a pilot flying in front of a starting station. An adequate tail restraint should also be used when starting engines.
4. No one should stand in front of the safety fence.
5. A maximum of 5 aircraft should be flying at any one time. Exceptions can be made for club sanctioned events.
6. Taxiing in the pit area is not permitted.
7. The No Fly Zone is north of the railroad tracks or south of the flight line
8. Any pilot calling out "DEAD STICK!" has landing priority
9. Pilots should call out loudly an intention to land (LANDING!), to taxi for takeoff (TAKING OFF!), or to retrieve a plane from the field (ON THE FIELD!), and proceed only when safe to do so.
10. Whenever more than one plane is in the air, pilots should agree on a circuit direction. Aerobatics and 3D flying should be performed, with due courtesy and consideration for safety, in the general direction of the circuit.
11. Student members should fly with a designated instructor present; preferably using a buddy box.
12. Members should not use alcohol and/or illegal drugs at the field. The use of alcohol and/or an illegal drug at the field will be treated with ZERO TOLERANCE and automatically result in the immediate grounding and suspension of flying privileges for the balance of the day.

General Guidelines and Member Obligations

1. All flyers should hang their current club membership and MAAC cards on the frequency board at the correct channel location or a 2.4 GHz position BEFORE flying. This provides the required evidence of current Club and MAAC membership status.
2. Priority will be given to fixed wing flyers for the use of the main field. Helicopter flying on the main field is permitted only with the unanimous consent of all members present at the field at any given time. The operation of any helicopter on the main field is prohibited while any fixed wing flying is taking place.
3. Pilots should endeavor to operate models in a manner as to not disturb the residents in the area. Any engine or model that can be heard south of Steeles Avenue should not be used before 10:00 am. Engines producing more than 88 decibels at 25 feet are not permitted.
4. The last person leaving the field is responsible for closing and locking the gate. To prevent theft of the lock, the entrance chain should be re-locked to the gate after opening and the combination dials of the lock changed.
5. Guest pilots should be sponsored by a member and present a valid MAAC card to fly their aircraft.
6. Garbage should not be left at the field. Members and visitors should take their refuse home. The club does not provide garbage collection service.
7. Members should not park their vehicles in the designated loading/unloading area. After unloading/loading aircraft and equipment, members should move their vehicles to the general parking area.
8. Membership fees should be paid before January 1st.
9. Any member of the Executive Committee may ground a pilot for the duration of the day for any action considered in his sole discretion to be unsafe or detrimental to the club.

FLYING HOURS

Monday to Saturday 8:00am to 9:00pm
Sunday 9:00am to 9:00pm

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