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### Annual General Meeting by Zoom! Wednesday February 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 7:30 PM



Since we cannot have "in-person" winter meetings at the Weston Golf and Country Club this year, we will hold our Annual General Meeting by Zoom on Wednesday February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 pm. Watch your email the last week January for the Zoom Invitation.

#### President's Message



I'm sure you have all been watching the news lately about the State of Emergency announced by Premier Ford which took effect on Thursday January 14, 2021.

There is considerable confusion in the media about how to interpret some of the conflicting rules. The new law is ordering everyone to stay home unless you need to go out for food, medical appointments, essential work or exercise. At the same

time there is an ambiguous message that outdoor gatherings be limited to no more than 5 people.

Accordingly, I have asked Zoltan to immediately limit the online field booking system to allow no more than 5 members to book any given time slot. City parks are still open and our field permit is still valid. Therefore you need to decide for yourself if you feel comfortable going to the field while the "stay at home" order is in effect. If you do decide to go flying (to preserve your mental and physical health), please continue to be vigilant about wearing a mask and maintaining your distance from others.

#### ... Tom Gottlieb, President and Editor

#### **Field Officer Position Changes**

Michael D'Antonio Steps Ddown...



Michael D'Antonio has been our Field Officer since 2017 but has decided to step down this year due to work pressures and personal reasons. The club thanks Mike for his work and dedication to the club over the last 3 years.

#### Ethan Earle Steps Up



I am pleased to announce that **Ethan Earle** has accepted the nomination to run for Field Officer for 2021. Ethan was born and raised in Manchester, England. He recently moved to Canada with his wife to change careers and take a position as Operations and Analytics Specialist at Molisana Imports, an Italian dry foods importer. He has 2 daughters. His interest in flight originates from his grandfather who was an electrical

engineer and worked on Spitfires in WW2. After arriving in Canada, he passed his Basic RPAS licence, and joined HVRCF as one of our first Drone Class pilots. But he is also currently a fixed wing student. Ethan got very involved this year in the roofing and runway maintenance projects and is a natural choice for Field Officer.

## Yes the AGM is coming Wed, Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021

It is important that you attend the Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting because this is the club's Annual General Meeting.



The following agenda is planned for this meeting:

- Attendance and count of 2021 members needed for a quorum
- 2. Review and approval of agenda
- 3. Review and approval of 2021 AGM minutes
- 4. Executive elections
- 5. Annual general business meeting reports
  - a. President's Report
  - b. Treasurer's Report
  - c. Field Officer's Report
  - d. Program Director's Report
  - e. Chief Flying Instructor/Safety Officer Report
- 6. Open discussion and new business

The following list shows each executive position and its status.

If you wish to run or nominate a member for <u>any executive</u> <u>position</u>, please contact **Bruce Gillespie**, Treasurer. Note that the position of Chief Flight Instructor/Safety Officer is appointed by the Executive. **Randall Thomas** did an amazing job as Chief Flight Instructor/Safety Officer and has agreed to continue in this role for 2021.

#### Call for Proxies for the AGM

Our constitution requires a quorum of at least 25% of Open Members in order to hold an official AGM, pass the budget for 2021 and conduct executive elections. Therefore in case of insufficient attendance the night of the AGM, we are asking that if you do NOT plan on attending the AGM by Zoom, please send your proxy to any member attending who you trust to vote for you. Our constitution allows proxies to be sent by email, fax or letter. If you wish, you may select one of the following to vote for you by sending the email text below to either:

- Tom Gottlieb (<u>tgott@sympatico.ca</u>) or
- Zoltan Pittner (zoltan@ngctech.com) or
- Paul McMillan (rpmcmillan@sympatico.ca).

Simply send an email with the following:

Subject: Proxy for Humber Valley AGM Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021

This will allow **<enter name of the person you choose as your proxy>** to vote on my behalf on all matters at the Humber Valley Radio Control Flyers Annual General Meeting to be held Wednesday February 3<sup>rd</sup> 2021 by Zoom at Toronto, Ontario

<type your name>



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#### **Pandemic Blues Show and Tell**

Stuck at home? Got the COVID-19 blues? Now is the perfect time put together that new airplane or finish that "pandemic" winter build project. We would love to see it at the February 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. Please let us know if you would be willing to take 5 or 10 minutes at the Zoom meeting to do a "Show and Tell". Your talk will inspire others to get building! Also, if you have any topics, questions, or issues you would like to discuss at the meeting, please send them to Tom or bring them up at the meeting.



## February Frozen Finger Fun Fly Cancelled



We are sorry to inform you that our traditional February Frozen Finger Fun Fly must be cancelled because of the Ontario State of Emergency currently in effect to fight the

COVID-19 pandemic. Since we can only have 5 people at the field at any one time, there is no point in holding the event. If things change, we might hold a replacement event in March. Stay tuned and pray!

# New Year's Day Fun Fly Report - Friday Jan 1<sup>st</sup>, 11:00 AM



We had a good turnout and a nice morning of flying on January 1<sup>st</sup>. Chief Instructor, **Randall Thomas** proudly claimed the last flight of 2020 and the first flight of 2021. Weather was mild and light winds made it a great day. Program Director, Paul McMillan supplied the hot chocolate. Some of the event was streamed by **Zoltan** 

Pittner to our Facebook group page. See you next year!

## **Calendar of Upcoming Events**

Wed Feb 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Winter Club Meeting by Zoom - Annual General Meeting (AGM)
Sat Feb 13 <sup>th</sup>	February Frozen Finger Fun Fly is CANCELLED due to COVID-19 restrictions.

#### Your 2020 Club Executive

#### Kulula African Airlines - Just for laughs!

I think we could all use a good laugh these days. Here are some pics and flight announcements from an airline that doesn't take itself too seriously (submitted by **Bob Bader**).



On a Kulula flight, (there is no assigned seating, you just sit where you want), passengers were apparently having a hard time choosing their seats, when a flight attendant announced, "People, people, we're not picking out furniture here, find a seat and get in it!

<u>On another flight</u> with a very "senior" flight attendant crew, the pilot said, "Ladies & gentlemen, we've reached cruising altitude and will be turning down the cabin lights This is for your comfort and to enhance the appearance of your flight attendants."

And from the pilot during his welcome message:

"Kulula Airlines is pleased to announce that we have some of the best flight attendants in the industry. Unfortunately, none of them are on this flight!"

After a particularly rough landing during thunderstorms in the Karoo, a flight attendant on a flight announced, "Please take care when opening the overhead compartments because, after a landing like that, sure as heck everything has shifted.

From a Kulula employee:

"Welcome aboard Kulula 271 to Port Elizabeth. To operate your seat belt, insert the metal tab into the buckle, and pull tight. It works just like every other seat belt; and, if you don't know how to operate one, you probably shouldn't be out in public unsupervised."



"In the event of a sudden loss of cabin pressure, masks will descend from the ceiling. Stop screaming, grab the mask, and pull it over your face. If you have a small child traveling with you, secure your mask before assisting with theirs. If you are traveling with more than one small child, pick your favorite."

"Weather at our destination is 50 degrees with some broken clouds, but we'll try to have them fixed before we arrive. Thank you, and remember, nobody loves you, or your money, more than Kulula Airlines."



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"Your seat cushions can be used for flotation; and in the event of an emergency water landing, please paddle to shore and take them with our compliments."

"<u>There may be 50 ways</u> to leave your lover, but there are only 4 ways out of this airplane"

"Thank you for flying Kulula. We hope you enjoyed giving us the business as much as we enjoyed taking you for a ride."

As the plane landed and was coming to a stop at Durban Airport, a lone voice came over the loudspeaker: "Whoa, big fella. WHOA!"

<u>On landing</u>, the stewardess said, "Please be sure to take all of your belongings. If you're going to leave anything, please make sure it's something we'd like to have."

"As you exit the plane, make sure to gather all of your belongings. Anything left behind will be distributed evenly among the flight attendants. Please do not leave children or spouses."

<u>Heard on Kulula 255</u> just after a very hard landing in Cape Town: The flight attendant came on the intercom and said, "That was quite a bump and I know what y'all are thinking. I'm here to tell you it wasn't the airline's fault, it wasn't the pilot's fault, it wasn't the flight attendant's fault, it was the asphalt."

Overheard on a Kulula flight into Cape Town, on a particularly windy and bumpy day: During the final approach, the Captain really had to fight it. After an extremely hard landing, the Flight Attendant said, "Ladies and Gentlemen, welcome to The Mother City. Please remain in your seats with your seat belts fastened while the Captain taxis what's left of our airplane to the gate!"

Another flight attendant's comment on a less than perfect landing: "We ask you to please remain seated as Captain Kangaroo bounces us to the terminal."



An airline pilot wrote that on this particular flight he had hammered his ship into the runway really hard. The airline had a policy which required the first officer to stand at the door while the passengers exited, smile, and give them a "Thanks for flying our airline". He said that, in light of his bad landing, he had a hard time looking the passengers in the eye, thinking that someone would have a smart comment.

Finally, everyone had got off except for a little old lady walking with a cane.

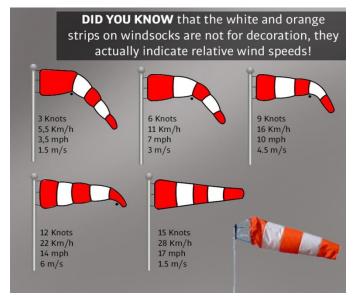
She said, "Sir, do you mind if I ask you a question?"

"Why, no Ma'am," said the pilot. "What is it?"

The little old lady said, "Did we land, or were we shot down?"

# What's in a Wind Sock? More than you thought!

Member **Carlo Mandatori** recently came across this graphic that explains how to interpret the shape of a traditional wind sock. Good to know!



#### Club Web Site Open for 2021 Renewals!

We have totally automated our membership renewal process and have already started collecting 2021 membership applications and renewals. The process is completely on line. Here is how to renew:



... to renew your membership today!

- Go to the Club Info Tab and select "2021 Renewal Form"
- Fill in the online form and click the button to request your renewal.
- You will receive an email with instructions on how to pay your renewal fee using an Interac eTransfer or how to make other payment arrangements.
- 4) Submit your payment.
- 5) When your application is approved, you will receive an email with a link to print your own 2021 member card!

Fees are \$95.00 up to January 31st and \$100.00 after that.

NOTE: If you wish to make your vote count at the Annual General Meeting, you must renew before the February 3<sup>rd</sup> AGM Zoom meeting.