



### Yes! We Are Open!!!



No doubt about it. Humber Valley is open for business! Even though we are in Class C – controlled airspace, we are open and flying. We have all the necessary approvals and documents from MAAC including our Site Operations Certificate and approved safety rules which you can find on our web site.

Now the rest is up to you. You can come and fly sub 250g models anytime and we can help you pass your advanced RPAS exam and get your Advanced Flight Review.

Come on guys! What are you waiting for? The field has never been in better shape and there is still lots of late summer and fall flying left in 2024.

### A Message from Randall Thomas



Take it from me. It's not that hard! Once you have your Advanced RPAS Certificate, you can go to the field, open the NavDrone App on your smartphone and it takes only about 60 seconds to clone a previous flight operation and start flying with full approval - and be fully CARS Part IX compliant.

**The field has come back to life this season!** We have about 15 certified advanced pilots, about 5 more who have passed their

advanced exam and are getting ready for Flight Reviews and about 20 others working on their advanced exam.

We are hoping to reach a critical mass of about 30 Advanced pilots by this time next year. You can schedule your flight review with me. See the June Flyer for instructions and contact me for help.

#### YOU CAN DO THIS!

.... Randall Thomas, Chief Flight Instructor

### Site Surveys – What You Need to Know!

CARS Part IX requires that you know how to obtain and understand Site Surveys. The survey tells you the class of airspace you are in (always Controlled Class C for Humber's field), and what aerodromes are nearby. It also provides you with the Canada Flight Supplement (CFR) tables for each nearby aerodrome with the phone number to call in case of a fly away. Each survey refers to your planned flight as a "Mission".



You can get a Site Survey from the RPAS WILCO app on your smart phone or computer. It is an application developed by The RPAS Centre and is available for free to MAAC members. You identify **where**, **when** and **what** you plan to fly and the app generates the required

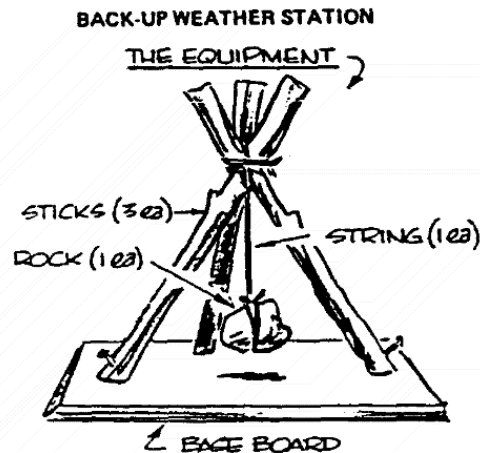
Site Survey. In addition to all the information noted above, the survey provides current NOTAMs and weather information.

### The "LOOK UP" Weather Method!

Site surveys are mandatory but not that useful for RC flyers since we always fly at the same location. We already know that there are no cell towers or other obstacles at our field and if you want to know if the weather is OK for flying, try this: just "LOOK UP"! If it's not raining, snowing, hailing, foggy, or too windy – go flying!

### Back-up Weather Station

As an alternative to the "LOOK UP" method, we offer this handy way for members to build their own weather station.



**HOW TO INTERPRET OBSERVATIONS**

<b>IF ROCK IS:</b>	<b>IT'S:</b>
WET .....	RAINING
WHITE .....	SNOWING
MOVING .....	WINDY
HARD TO SEE .....	FOGGY
CASTING SHADOW .....	SUNNY
COLD .....	CHILLY OUT
WARM .....	HOT OUT

**PILOTS: TAKE THE GUESSWORK OUT OF WX BRIEFINGS—MAKE YOUR OWN STATION!**

### Site Survey Relief Schedule

More good news! You don't need your own new site survey every time you fly. You can share access to site surveys provided by other members or from our web site. MAAC requires surveys to be updated every 56 days to coincide with NAV Canada updates to the CFRs. We will post updated Site Surveys on our web site according to this schedule. A new site survey was just posted on September 5<sup>th</sup> in the Library Tab so you can always look at it from there on your phone or computer. The schedule of dates can be found in the Library Tab under Club Documents. It is called: MAAC NOTAM 2023-04 MAAC Site Survey Relief Options.

2024	2025	2026	2027
25-Jan-24	20-Feb-25	22-Jan-26	18-Feb-27
21-Mar-24	17-Apr-25	19-Mar-26	15-Apr-27
16-May-24	12-Jun-25	14-May-26	10-Jun-27
11-Jul-24	7-Aug-25	9-Jul-26	5-Aug-27
5-Sep-24	2-Oct-25	3-Sep-26	30-Sep-27
31-Oct-24	27-Nov-25	29-Oct-26	25-Nov-27
26-Dec-24		24-Dec-26	

Site Surveys will be updated on our web site according to this schedule.



**Announcing Humber Valley's  
3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Free Outdoor  
Fall RC Swap Meet,  
RC Auction,  
Fun Fly & BBQ  
Saturday Sept 21, 2024**

### Open to all GTA RC Clubs and Friends

- Bring all your good new and used RC airplanes and equipment, display all your "For Sale" items and get ready to make a deal.
- Come out to swap, buy, and save and to enjoy our free BBQ lunch.
- Want to clear out your surplus workshop items? Bring them to the FREE GIVEAWAY TABLE or donate items to raise money for Humber Valley for a LIVE AUCTION.
- Pick up whatever you can use from the FREE GIVEAWAY TABLE.
- Bring out your sub 250g mRPAS and go flying.
- Humber Valley is in controlled Class C airspace. If you have your RPAS Advanced Certificate, bring out your 250g to 25Kg airplane and fly at our great field.
- Free BBQ Lunch Combo (all beef hot dog or hamburger & soft drink).

**Timeline:**  
 09:30 Arrive and setup your stuff  
 10:00 Swap Meet Starts, Free Giveaway Table Opens, Open flying, Egg drop, loop and spot landing competitions  
 11:30 Live Auction  
 12:00 BBQ Lunch



NOTE: This is MAAC Sanctioned event.

- Past Flyers – Use them for Reference**
- Use them for Research**
- Use them for Entertainment**



### ... Editor's Note

I have been publishing the Flyer as our club newsletter all the way back to December 1999. The newsletters are not long but they are mighty! I try my best to pack them with information you need to know about what is happening in RC modeling in Canada and how those events affect us at Humber Valley.



All past Flyers are available for free download on our web site and provide a colorful, interesting history of where we came from as a club, and how the hobby has evolved over the years. Since the beginning of 2022, I have been using the description field on the web site to list the main topics of interest in each edition. If you are looking for something in particular, or just browsing for past articles of interest, this description will help you find what you are looking for.

In particular my last two editions from May and June, 2024 contain essential information to do with preparing for and passing your Advanced RPAS exam and also for booking and passing your flight review. Here is a clip from these postings:

▼ 2024 – Current Year	
Name	Description
 05 - June Flyer	2024 - June Flyer - How to book advanced flight reviews now available at our field, Constitution change vote results.
 04 - May Flyer	2024 - May Flyer - Clarification of RPAS Rules, How to get your Advanced RPAS, RPAS WILCO, NAV Drone, Voting on changes to the Constitution.



I had an idea that one of these days I would go back to all the past Flyers and create a searchable index of the topics covered in each edition. I think that would make some interesting reading and reveal how issues have trended over the years. If anyone wants to help out with that effort, let me know.

Happy reading! ... **Tom Gottlieb**

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