



Fall Fun Fly, BBQ and Swap Meet Report Saturday September 21, 2024

We had an excellent turnout for our annual Fall Fun Fly, Swap Meet and BBQ. There were at least 15 vendors who brought out a large array of great RC deals. There was a free giveaway table and a raffle for free prizes. Our thanks to Great Hobbies who donated two - \$25 gift certificates that were won in a raffle draw.



Randall Thomas announces Fun Fly events.

2024/2025 Winter Waiver Form Request

Some of you may recall from last year that our summer permit expires on November 14, 2024. This is because the City does not plow the access road to the field in the winter and will not assume any liability for people driving up the road to the field. So, to keep the field open between Nov 15/24 and Mar 14/25 (when our summer permit starts) flying we need to apply for a winter permit.

To make this happen I need as many members as possible to fill out the attached liability waiver form. Even if you are unable to fly or don't plan on flying this winter, I am asking you to sign the form and send it back to me. We want the City to know that we have an active club of enthusiastic flyers who appreciate the use of the field over the winter.

Please try to return the form over the next 7 days. Complete the form as follows:

- 1) Print your name at the top and at "Name of Operator".
- 2) Complete the field "Signed at Toronto" and enter the date.
- 3) Sign your name at "Signature of Operator".
- 4) Scan and email to me at tgott@sympatico.ca, or
- 5) Take a picture on your smart phone and email it to me.

Thanks again for your cooperation and I hope you come out to enjoy some winter flying.

... Tom Gottlieb, Past President and Editor

Advanced RPAS Pilot Roster is Growing



I am pleased to report that the field has been very busy over the last few months. This success is due largely because of the efforts of our Chief Instructor, **Randall Thomas**, who has been coaching members on how to pass their Advanced RPAS Exam. And that's not all! Since Randall is a certified Advanced RPAS Reviewer, he has conducted many flight reviews at our field. Because of his efforts, our list of Advanced Pilots is now over

20 strong and growing.

With winter approaching, now is a great time to put some skin in the game and study for your Advanced Exam. Talk to us about it. You can do this and get back to flying your large RPAS models up to 25Kg. Let us show you how. It's not that hard!

The warm fall weather has been absolutely spectacular which has encouraged even more activity from pilots who came out to enjoy the spectacular fall colours.



Tom poses with the electric FunAir 40 he picked up at the Fall Swap Meet - a clear blue-sky day with fall colours.

Update on Indoor Flying at York University

Many of you have been asking if we will be able to book some indoor flying days at York University this winter. We have submitted a request to book 5 or 6 days again this year but have not yet heard back from the office if they will have any open time slots for us. As soon as we hear something, we will send out a notice in an email blast or Flyer.



Meanwhile the Executive Committee has decided that we will be charging a fee of \$10.00 for each indoor session of 2 hours to help offset costs. This is in part because of the decline in membership over the last year due to the new CARS Part IX regulations. The booking fees are expensive, so it is only fair that those members who enjoy indoor flying help pay for the cost of the space. We hope you will understand.



New Membership Policies for 2025



We are pleased to announce the introduction of a new FREE membership category for the 2025 season for those members who want to fly Sub 250g (mRPAS) models.

A FREE Sub250g membership would be perfect for you if you wish to fly at Humber Valley and are satisfied with flying smaller models. You will have full access to the field, the charging station and all the free advice and friendship you can handle. Or, if you like, it will allow you to continue flying while you work on going for your Advanced RPAS Certificate so that you can fly your larger RPAS models up to 25Kg. When you are ready, you can upgrade your Sub250g membership by paying the full member fee.

Our 2025 membership fee structure is given below. After you submit your renewal request you will receive an email with payment instructions. You may pay by eTransfer (preferred), cheque or cash. Our new Sub 250g membership category is FREE! However, if you wish to support of the club financially given the challenges we have faced over the past two years, we would gratefully accept any amount you wish to donate.

- Memberships for full pilot, up to 25Kg models:
 - Renewal Adult Fee paid on or before Dec 31st, 2024\$90.00
 - Renewal Adult Fee between Jan 1st and Jan 31st, 2025\$95.00
 - Renewal Adult Fee paid on or after Feb 1st, 2025\$100.00
 - Junior Fee (Under 18 as of Jan 1st, 2025)\$35.00
- Sub 250g membership category FREE
 - or make a donation to the club of any amount

RPAS Wilco Site Survey Updated



CARS Part IX requires that you know how to obtain and understand Site Surveys if you want to fly RPAS models in controlled airspace. Fortunately, based on MAAC NOTAM 2023-04 MAAC - Site Survey Relief Options, new surveys are required only every 56 days. We will do our best to keep a current survey posted on

our website and will let you know through our WhatsApp group when it is updated. A fresh survey was uploaded on Nov 1st and the next one will be on Dec 26th. Here is the schedule:

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	

Club Web Site Open for 2025 Renewals!

Our web site is operating smoothly, and it is ready to collect 2025 membership applications and renewals. The process is completely online. Here is how to renew:



... to renew your membership today!

- 1) Go to the Club Info Tab and select "2025 Renewal Form"
- 2) Fill in the online form and click the button to request your renewal.
- 3) 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 2025 member card.

Please note the fee for renewals before Jan 1st is \$90.00. After that you will have to pay more. Fees are \$95.00 up to January 31st and \$100.00 after that. **Renew early and save!!**

****** RENEW BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND SAVE ******

NOTE: IF YOU ARE A NEW MEMEBR WHO JOINED AFTER SEPTEMBER 1st 2024, YOUR MEMBERSHIP IS GOOD UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2025 - SO YOU ARE GOOD FOR NEXT YEAR.

Important Club Notices

We are planning 3 winter meetings for 2025. They will take place at the Martingrove Collegiate Institute at 50 Winterton Drive, Etobicoke, ON M9B 3G7. It is located right at the corner of Eglinton Ave W and Martin Grove Road. The meetings will be from 6:30pm to 8:45pm on

- Feb 20, 2025 (This will be our AGM)
- Mar 27, 2025
- Apr 24, 2025

Watch out for more news on these meetings. The meeting on Feb 20th will be our Annual General Meeting where we will approve the financial statements, the budget for next year, and elect our 2025 Executive Committee. I am sorry to report that **Zoltan Pittner** is stepping down as President this year after leading us with a steady hand over the last 3 years of turmoil. Please consider participating in the club executive and giving back to the club for everything it has done for you.

Your 2024 Club Executive

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- Past President and Editor, Tom Gottlieb (647) 642-8100
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