



The Humber Valley Flyer

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Great News - Indoor Flying is BACK!!!



Why do you think Snoopy is doing his happy dance? Because we have secured a new location for indoor flying this winter - all thanks to member **Yonas Lijiam** who is a Principal in the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board.



Here's all the good news:

- We have reserved four evenings from 8:15pm to 10:00pm.
- The dates are Dec 9/25, Jan 13/26, Feb 10/26, and Mar 10/26 (all Tuesdays).
- We have a huge indoor space consisting of a triple gym. It's about 80' X 150' so it's even BIGGER than the double gym we had at York University.
- Free parking!

Here's a little not so good news:

- The cost of renting the space is a lot more than our previous deal at York University. So we are asking members and guests for a voluntary contribution of \$5.00 to \$10.00 per session to help offset the cost.
- The high school is a bit farther away in Brampton but still easy to get to.

Location:

Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Secondary School
25 Corporation Drive
Brampton, ON L6S 6A2

How to get there:

- Use Waze or Google Maps for your best route.
- The school is just North of Hwy 7 and Torbram Rd.
- Plan your drive to get there at 8:00 so you can find your way inside and start on time. It's about a 25-minute drive from our Thackeray Park field if you take the 407; about 35 minutes if you take Hwy 7. We only have the gym from 8:15pm to 10:00pm.



Saint Thomas Aquinas Secondary School



A huge space for indoor flying!

Indoor Flying Schedule Recap

Day	Date	Time
Tuesday	Dec 09, 2025	8:15 PM – 10:00 PM
Tuesday	Jan 13, 2026	8:15 PM – 10:00 PM
Tuesday	Feb 10, 2026	8:15 PM – 10:00 PM
Tuesday	Mar 10, 2026	8:15 PM – 10:00 PM

Mobile App Update



Our new Humber Valley Mobile App has been getting a lot of good reviews from members. Use it to log your field visit and see who else is planning to fly on any day (Field Logbook). Now Zoltan has updated the app to provide two more great functions. Check out the "Site Survey" tab to see the current Site Survey. We will keep the survey updated so you will always be compliant with CARS Part IX regulations.

The second new feature lets you call up our SOC - Site Operations Certificate. To download the latest copy of the app, use the following QR Codes for your Android or iOS phone. Refer to your August 2025 Flyer for details on all the other functions.



Download link for Android



Download link for iPhone

New Year's Day Fun Fly / Social

– Wednesday Jan 1st, 11:00 AM



Come out for our traditional Humber Valley New Year's Day fun fly on Wednesday January 1st. Now that the field is back in full operation, we hope to see a good turnout for our annual New Year's Day Event. Be the first to fly in 2026! There should be enough hot chocolate to go around for everyone. Hope to see you there.



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Club Web Site Open for 2026 Renewals!

Our web site is operating smoothly, and it is ready to collect 2026 membership applications and renewals. The process is completely online. Here is how to renew:

- 1) Go to the Club Info Tab and select "2026 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 2026 member card.



... to renew your membership today!

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 DEC 31, 2025 AND SAVE ******

NOTE: IF YOU ARE A NEW MEMBER WHO JOINED AFTER SEPTEMBER 1st 2025, YOUR MEMBERSHIP IS GOOD UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2026 - SO YOU ARE GOOD FOR NEXT YEAR.

Membership Policies and Fees for 2026

Membership policies and fees for 2026 will be the same as 2025. We will continue to offer the free Sub 250g membership category to encourage new members to join and help returning members fly while they work on getting their Advanced RPAS pilot certification.

Our 2026 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, 2025\$90.00
 - Renewal Adult Fee between Jan 1st and Jan 31st, 2026\$95.00
 - Renewal Adult Fee paid on or after Feb 1st, 2026\$100.00
 - Junior Fee (Under 18 as of Jan 1st, 2026)\$35.00
- Sub 250g membership category FREE
 - or make a donation to the club of any amount

Save the Date for the AGM – Feb 3, 2026

Just a quick reminder that our Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday February 3rd at 7:30pm. Please try to make it as we need a quorum of members to elect our 2026 executive and approve the budget for next year. Details will follow in the Jan/Feb edition of the Flyer.

Calendar of Upcoming Events for 2025/26

Thurs Jan 1 st	New Year's Day Fun Fly / Social at our field – 11:00am
Tues Feb 3 rd	Winter Club Meeting @ 7:30 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Annual General Meeting (AGM) - Location to be announced - Executive Elections for 2026 - Show and Tell
Tues Dec 9 th	Indoor Flying at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Secondary School – 8:15pm to 10:00pm
Tues Jan 13 th	
Tues Feb 10 th	
Tues Mar 10 th	

2025/2026 Winter Waiver Form Request

Some of you may recall from last year that our summer permit expires on November 14, 2025. 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 15/25 and Mar 14/26 (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, Program Director and Editor

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