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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 231 consisting of:

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

If you have any comments, suggestions or notices for the newsletter, please contact me anytime. Our field has never been in better shape so take advantage and come out and fly with us this summer.

...Tom Gottlieb, Vice President and Editor

Summer Events Announcements!

We have lined up our summer fun fly and float fly events which are listed below. Please note that this is the only 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 what could be better than meeting up with all your Humber Valley friends to show off your flying and also get all the burgers you can eat!

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Sun Jul 30 th	Summer Fun Fly and BBQ at the Field - 10:00am to 2:00pm
Sun Aug 20 st	Summer Float Fly and BBQ Indian Line Campground 10:00am to 3:00pm

Summer Float Fly & BBQ - Sun Aug 20th

We have been able to reserve the Indian Line Campground for our 6th 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 showing up. Once again we are "loaded for bear" (or fish) with our very own aluminum retrieval boat.

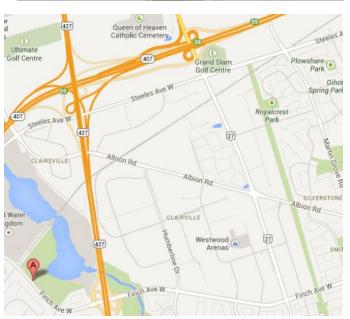
This site is ideal for float flying since it is a water reservoir and there are no swimmers to get in the way; and it is very close to our field at:

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.
- There will be a sign in sheet at the entrance gate. Tell the gatekeeper if you are a senior (over 65) and that you are with the Humber Valley Flying Club. We are covering the admission fee for members and their guests. Bring the family, kids and friends! 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.





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Humber Member Ryan Petrie wins the Jack McGillivray Memorial MAAC Bursary



We are very proud to announce that Junior Member Ryan Petrie has been awarded the Jack McGillivray Memorial MAAC Bursary. This bursary in the amount of \$5,000 is for a student enrolled in a

recognized Canadian educational institution in an aviation or aerospace oriented discipline. The application process involves a personal essay, a resume, multiple reference letters from teachers, professors, employers etc.

Ryan is 18 and studying Aviation Technology - Flight at Sault College in Sault Ste. Marie. It is a three-year advanced diploma program featuring flight training to the Commercial Pilot Licence (CPL) and Multi-Engine Instrument Rating. Ryan got his Glider Pilot Licence in the summer of 2015 and his Private Pilot Licence in the summer of 2016, both through the Royal Canadian Air Cadets. He has been checked out on the Zlin 242L - the airplane Sault College Flies - and will begin training for night rating in the fall. The scholarship will go towards his tuition and living costs.

As for RC flying, it is still something he enjoys when his busy schedule permits. When he is home from the Sault for a couple weeks at the end of the summer we hope see him at the field with his Super Cub 25e, Escapade MX and hopefully a newly built Heron.



Congratulations Ryan, for this accomplishment and best of luck in your career from all of us at Humber Valley!

Pilot Training Handbook Updated!

I am pleased to report to all pilots and students that I have re-



written the Pilot Training Handbook and you can download it from the Library section of the web site or pick up a copy at the field. There are a few copies in the First Aid Box and more in the shed. The new handbook is much improved

and includes:

- Expanded introduction and a well structured lesson sequence that builds confidence faster.
- b) Clear lesson descriptions and goals that all instructors and students should be able to follow consistently so that students receive consistent help even if they use multiple instructors.

- All students follow the same lesson standards to ensure competency.
- More tips, help, diagrams and explanations on how to perform range checks, setup failsafe and more.
- e) Important lessons on Field Operations, Safety, Aircraft Familiarization and Pre-Flight Check that are required before actual flight lessons begin.
- A new and improved training log sheet that is easier to fill out and clearly shows the student's progress.



In fact we are so proud of this handbook that we encourage all existing pilots to pick up a copy or at least download it from our web site and study it. We are pretty sure you will learn something you didn't know about our rules and procedures, or pick up a new tip.

Note to Instructors:

Going forward, club policy will be to have all new members joining from other clubs who claim to be pilots go through the training handbook and pass Lesson 1 - Field Operations and Safety, Lesson 2 - Aircraft Familiarization and Pre-Flight Check, and pass the MAAC Wings Test (Lesson 12). Any competent pilot should be able to do this in under an hour.

Field Officer Report - Michael D'Antonio



This is my first official report to you as your new 2017 Field Officer. I am pleased to report that we had a very successful field clean up day and got a lot done. We temporarily moved logs along the road to prevent unauthorized access by cars to the field and have since arranged with the city to bring in new "Monster" logs that cannot be

moved or penetrated. I have replaced the foam tail restraint protectors and maintained the starting stations.

We have established the 2017 mowing schedule, rolled the field as smooth as possible, and all our volunteers are doing an amazing job. The field has never looked better. We are watching the wear and tear of the Geotextile runway and patching as best we can to extend its life.



For security reasons, I replaced the locks on the shed and issued new keys only to authorized members who need access. If you notice any vandalism at the field, please notify me immediately and I will take care of it. Unfortunately, the shelter seems to be a favorite night time party hang out for locals who generally are not very respectful of our place. But as long as they don't damage our facilities, we have to put up with it. So I would appreciate it if you see garbage left around the shed or field, please pick it up and dispose of it in the garbage cans at the cricket field when you leave. I always keep a few plastic grocery store bags in my car for this purpose. A little help keeps a safe and clean facility for everyone to enjoy. Thanks and have a great summer!

.... Mike D'Antonio



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A Final Farewell to Roy Gee



We let you know in April Flyer that our good friend and long time member Roy Gee passed away in February from a sudden heart attack. He was 82. At that time I wasn't able to find a photo of Roy but since then we dug up this nice picture to remember him by. Roy was a very quiet conservative English gentleman with a deep passion for RC. But he didn't open up to a lot of people about it. He was an Engineer by training, immigrated to Canada from England in the 60's and worked for York Air Conditioning for many years. Roy was an obsessive and meticulous organizer and modeler, kept detailed records of all his build projects, and flight logs of all his activities at the field. It was only after talking to Jon Holmes that I came to know about his extensive collection of aircraft and RC equipment. Roy was well liked by all members who knew him and he never had a bad word to say about anyone.

Drone Racing Committee Update

As reported to you in the May, 2017 Flyer, club President Val Oddo tasked the Racing Committee to identify and report the possibilities of creating a Drone racing area at Humber Valley which could be operated in a manner that would not interfere with



existing fixed wing flight. The Racing Committee was formed based on the people present at April meeting. The people who volunteered to be in the committee and work on solving this issue were nominated as follows:

- Zoltan Pittner
- David Whitton
- Randall Thomas
- Amadeusz Kazubowski-Houston

This group formed the "Racing Committee" and through several email discussions identified and discussed a number of issues and provided a report to the president on July 10th.

The executive committee is studying the report. The report indicated that it was now too late to implement a drone racing program this season for a number of reasons. While there was still interest from the drone community and several members, most of the people interested either joined other clubs who already implemented drone racing areas, while others formed their own club.

The report was detailed and thoughtful and included discussion on:

- Timeframe
- Field Layout Options
- Logistical Issues
- Safety Code
- Frequency Table
- Pilot Accreditation
- Racing Events

Focus in the report shifted away from creating a new drone racing area to adapting and utilizing the existing helicopter field area due to cost, maintenance, access and other issues associated with creating a new site.

The executive feels the committee did an excellent job in studying the issues and plan on opening up discussions with the general membership over the winter during our winter meetings with the intention of coming to a decision and establishing club policies on drone racing for the 2018 flying season.

Sound Policies Working Well... Thanks!

We want to thank all members for following the sound guidelines and making sure that all nitro engines over 1.0 cubic inch displacement and all gas engines are tested and issued new Sound Cards indicating they have passed and cleared to fly. As a reminder:

Any nitro engine over 1.0 cubic inch displacement and all gas engines must be tested and the result logged by either Val Oddo or Tom Gottlieb. For each unique engine/ propeller combination, sound must be less than or equal to 88dB at 25 feet and propeller tip speed less than 0.65 Mach at full throttle. Each passing test will be issued a new Humber Valley "Pass" Sound Card that should be kept with the member's club and MAAC cards. The Sound Card may be laminated to the airplane fuselage or wing at the pilot's option.

See the May, 2017 Flyer for all policies and guidelines.

Don't Forget the Flight Log Book!

Again as a reminder, what are the <u>three things</u> you must do each time you come to the field to fly?

- 1) Sign in the Flight Log Book kept in the First Aid Box.
- 2) Hang your club member and MAAC cards on the frequency board.
- 3) Do a range check before your first flight.

