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# Summer Fun Fly and BBQ Announcement! Sunday July 27<sup>st</sup>



Nothing says "Summer" like a good old fashioned Barbeque so we figured what could be better than meeting up with all your Humber friends to show off your flying and also get all the hot dogs and burgers you can eat!

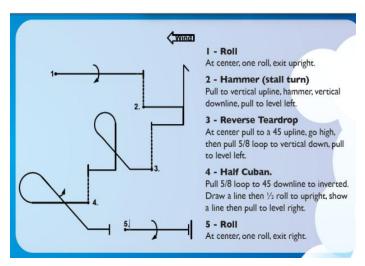
#### **Calendar of Upcoming Events**

Sun Jul 27 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Fun Fly and BBQ at the Field 10:00am to 3:00pm Great Canadian Aerobatic Challenge
Sun Aug 17 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Float Fly and BBQ Indian Line Campground 9:00am to 3:00pm

#### Fun Fly Activities – Sun July 27<sup>th</sup> – 10:00am The Great Canadian Aerobatic Challenge

This year, **Paul McMillan** will help organize our participation in the Great Canadian Aerobatic Challenge. Paul has been actively competing on the IMAC circuit this year with impressive results. For the Fun Fly, he will demonstrate the recommended maneuvers and then give everybody a chance to try them out. He will give us tips on what the judges are looking for in IMAC events. This is a great chance to have all the fun of IMAC with none of the preparation and pressure! Hope you can make it.

These aerobatics are really simple and all you have to do is put 5 maneuvers together in one sequence. Come on!! You can do it. Come out for some fun and give it a try. You can use any airplane size, power, scale or not.



Great Canadian Aerobatic Challenge First 5 Maneuvers

### Summer Float Fly & BBQ - Sunday Aug 17th

Bruce Gillespie has organized our third annual Float Fly at the Indian Line Campground which 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 15 float planes in the air (not all at once of course). This year we are "loaded for bear" (or fish) with a new (used) aluminum retrieval boat. Some members were a bit skeptical at first but after last year it was clear that the site is ideal and since it is a water reservoir,



there are no swimmers to get in the way. Also the site is located only 10 minutes from our field at:

#### Indian Line Campground 7625 Finch Ave W, Brampton, ON L6T 3Y7

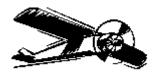
To get there:

- 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.
- Tell the gatekeeper you are with Humber Valley. We are covering your admission fee!!! What a deal !!!



It's time to get working on that float plane project. Even if you don't have a float plane, this is a great time 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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#### Can we borrow your truck?



There is some old broken lawn furniture, wood and other garbage that we want to clear out from around the storage shed. **Ernie Dawson** is looking for a member with a pickup truck that could help take it over to the collection depot On Disco Road. We would

consider a small payment for your time and gas and would meet you at the field and help load the truck. Please contact Ernie Dawson at (416) 247-7750 if you would be able to help.

#### **Solar Power Station Update**

The solar power charging station survived the winter and we have added extra batteries. The system is working perfectly and supports a total load of up to 50 Amps. We have added a



panel that supports up to 3 sets of banana jacks as well as the charging posts for attaching alligator clips. On a busy day, it is not uncommon to see 5 or 6 packs charging at any given time. This facility was a great investment for the club and came at just the right time as the popularity of electrics was exploding.

We've got all the power you need – and it's free!

#### **VP and Editor's Report – Tom Gottlieb**



The Humber Valley Flyer is published monthly from October to April. I always send out the Flyer one week prior to each winter meeting. During the summer there is a summer edition



depending on the timing of summer events.

The Flyer has a circulation of about 215 consisting of:

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

I am so pleased to see all the field improvements that have been put in place over the last few years. We really have a first class facility. I hope you get a chance to come out and fly with us this summer. ...Tom Gottlieb, Vice President and Editor

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#### Field Officer's Report - Geotextile Runway!!

The club is pleased to announce the installation of our new Geotextile runway. This project was discussed over the winter and after talking to other clubs and hearing about the success of these runways, we decided to go for it. The project was largely initiated by **Jon Holmes** and new member **John Neves** with lots of help in coordination by **Mike Gerace**. The budget was approved by club treasurer **Bruce Gillespie** and Field Officer, **Ernie Dawson** got the OK from the City to do it. **Jon Holmes** purchased the materials and **John Neves** lobbied a number of other members to come out and help install it.

**Tom Gottlieb** helped to layout some options for the placement and size of the runway and the executive voted to select the option pictured below showing the runway, 6 pilot stations and taxiway.



Since the material comes in a roll of 15' X 300', it seemed obvious that the best choice would be to cut the roll in half, keep some extra for a taxiway and repairs and lay the runway about 20 feet out from the flight line. This makes it ideal for

small electrics with small wheels but is within reach of larger planes too. There is still a good 60 feet at least to the north of the runway for anyone who still wants to take off and land on grass. We have found that the mower has no trouble transitioning from grass to runway and airplanes can taxi on and off easily too. That's because **John Neves** (photo right) and his pit crew did an



amazing job of securing the edges. He used a stone saw to cut 6 inch grooves along the edges, wedged the material into the grooves and then pinned the edge down with 6 inch staples.



The crew worked from 6am until about noon. Believe it or not the runway is held down with about 1200 staples. This baby ain't going nowhere and looks great! Thanks to everyone who helped make it happen!!