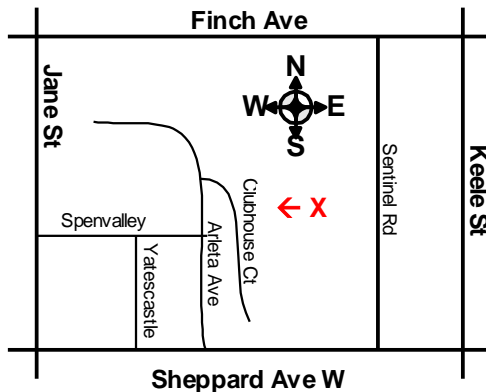




Humber Valley's Meeting Announcement Tuesday Dec 6th, 2011 @ 7:30pm Northwood Community Center Room #10 - Basement Level

Please note that due to the future closing of the Canadian Air & Space Museum, we have moved our winter meetings to the Northwood Community Center. Meetings will held on the first Tuesday up to April. Come out to meet other members, participate in club discussions, make suggestions for next year, and enjoy a winter program of speakers, movies, special events and more. **Feel free to bring a friend.**



Here's how to the get there: Take Sheppard Ave East of Jane or West of Keele to Arleta Ave. Turn north on Arleta to Clubhouse Court. Turn right to **#15 Clubhouse Court**. The Northwood Center is straight ahead on the left. *Note that Clubhouse Court does not meet Sheppard Ave. You have to get to it from Arleta Ave.*

Free Pizza at the Dec 6th Meeting!



There's nothing like good food to ensure a good meeting and the Humber Valley Pizza Club is going into its 7th year now due to popular demand. No time to stop in for dinner before the club meeting? No problem! Just come to the meeting hungry. Better get

there early though, before the mad rush, to make sure you get the best selection.

Election Planning Discussion - Continued

The following club officials have decided to step down from the executive and will not be running for re-election:

- Pat Knight, President
- Eric Gallas, Field Officer
- Steve Simpson, Program Director



WE WANT YOU!

We are already lining up individuals who have expressed interest in running for these positions for 2012. The AGM is coming in February when we will hold the elections. If you are interested in helping the club or wish to nominate someone for any executive position, please contact any of the current executive and check the January Flyer for more details.

Tues Dec 6th – Program Announcement Tony Hayward – Great Hobbies Micro-Helis and Indoor Innovations



We are pleased to announce that **Tony Hayward** will be speaking at the December meeting on the latest innovations in indoor electrics, micro helis and battery/electric technology. Tony is the Treasurer at the Bramalea Radio Control Flyers Club and

also the General Manager of the new Great Hobbies store in Mississauga. Among other things, he plans to bring out the latest in combat helicopters! Who knew? Come out to the meeting to see what this is all about as well as see other indoor electric products.



Calendar of Upcoming Events

Tue Dec 6 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Club Meeting: 7:30pm at Northwood • Tony Hayward - What's New? • Member Renewal Drive (Cont'd)
Sat Dec 3 rd Sat Dec 17 th Sat Jan 7 th	¹ Indoor flying North Albion Collegiate Institute 3-5 pm
Sun Jan 1 st	New Year's Day Fun Fly – 11am
Tue Jan 3 rd	Cancelled! NO JANUARY MEETING!
Tue Feb 7 th	Club Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Executive Elections • Annual General Meeting (AGM)

¹ North Albion Collegiate Institute is located just south of the field at 2580 Kipling Avenue on the west side.

North Albion Collegiate Indoor Flying

Thanks to club member **Dave Edwards** for arranging indoor access at the Collegiate. These are turning out to be a lot more fun and challenging than originally expected. Upcoming dates include Dec 03, Dec 17, Jan 07, Jan 21, Feb 04, Feb 12, Mar 03, Mar 17, Mar 31, Apr 14, Apr 28 so mark your calendars and plan to attend.

Are you new to indoor flying? Not sure what plane to get? Post a question on our forum to get some good recommendations.

New Year's Day Fun Fly – Sun Jan 1st, 11am



If Santa can do it, why don't you give it a try? Come out for our traditional Humber Valley New Year's Day Fun Fly on Sunday Jan 1st. Be the first to fly in 2012! We will have coffee and hot dogs for you to enjoy!

← Photo Left: Santa enjoys a little stick time after delivering all the toys on Christmas Eve.



Nov 1st Meeting Program Report New Helicopter Rules

There was lots of discussion about helicopter flying and noise at the November meeting. We made a lot of progress on new proposed rules for helicopter flying at the heliport. Here is a summary for you to consider. We will table a motion to change the rules so that they can be adopted at the AGM in February.

It is generally recognized that the club's helicopter rules are very conservative. For a history of the discussion you can download and read the April, May and July 2007 Flyers from the Library Section of our web site. In summary the rules were adopted because:

- 1) We are primarily a fixed wing club according to our constitution.
- 2) Heli and fixed wing cannot fly concurrently on the main field due to safety concerns (especially 3D flying) causing field usage conflicts.
- 3) We have no heli wings instruction program or qualified heli instructors
- 4) The dangers of large gas engine machines in close proximity to other flyers.

The reasons we are opening this discussion again is:

- 1) We now have a separate helipad away from the main field which is rarely used.
- 2) The heli-pad effectively separates Fixed Wing from Helicopter flying.
- 3) With 24Ghz spectrum radios, we rarely have channel conflicts with 2 separate fields and only one frequency control board.
- 4) More availability of low cost and effective small electric helicopters.
- 5) General increased interest from our members to try helicopters due to (4) above.

As a result, the following changes were discussed and are under consideration but please note that no motion has yet been passed to amend our policies.

- 1) Current Helicopter rules regarding the main field remain in effect. Rationale: Current rules seem to work well for main field and we could still even use the main field for a helicopter demonstration from a cleared expert at a Fun Fly for example and be within our rules.
- 2) Any fixed wing cleared pilot may fly helicopters restricted to the Heli-pad only.

Rationale:

- a) Cleared pilots understand club rules, frequency control and safety issues.
- b) Heli flying away from the main field does not restrict the rights of fixed wing members.
- c) Allowing helicopter flying on the heli-pad generally expands the activities of the club and attracts members.
- d) Cleared pilots have demonstrated general flying competence.

2 (d) Requires further discussion. While we do not have a wings program to clear specifically for helicopter, MAAC does not differentiate between Fixed Wing and Helicopter in its

rules. It only refers to "Model Aircraft". There are two MAAC rules that apply to club activities. They are:

- MAAC chartered clubs (shall) use a wings program to train R/C Pilots, and,
- I will not fly my model aircraft in the presence of spectators until I become a qualified flyer, unless assisted by an experienced R/C Pilot.

Therefore, if we adopt change (2) above, we are still within MAAC rules and therefore in good standing with our insurance.

Finally, there was more heated discussion about a "helicopter only" non-voting member category that would avoid the need to be a cleared pilot. This causes lots of problems and we could not agree on how to make this work and be in compliance with MAAC without a helicopter only wings program which the club does not provide. In particular MAAC rules say that "Club responsibilities will include but are not limited to ... A wings program used to train R/C Pilots".

This information has been on the forum for the last few weeks and there does not appear to be any major disagreement over the issue. Therefore we will table the following motion at the December meeting:

"Be it resolved that any fixed wing cleared pilot may fly helicopters restricted to the Helipad only."

Membership Statistics

We thought you might be interested in the following statistics gathered from our member database.

Membership by Category	
Honorary	1
Junior	5
Life	4
Open	102
Total	112
Membership by Status	
Instructors	14
Pilots	84
Students	14
Total	112
Flyer Distribution Counts	
Snail Mail Members	18
eMail Members	94
Web Site Subscribers	136
Total	248

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