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# Humber Valley's May Meeting Cancelled!



Our usual final winter meeting schedule has been cut short so there will be no May meeting at the museum.



See you at the field!

#### **April 5th Meeting Report** Frank Harvey on the Avro Lancaster

At the April meeting, the club got a very unique and informative perspective on the history of the Lancaster bomber from Frank Harvey, President of the Aerospace Heritage Foundation of Canada (www.ahfc.org) and a member of the DeHavilland Aeronautical Technical School Association. He



provided a narrated picture story of the development and construction of this historic aircraft based on about 200 vintage photos of the original factory with shots of the workers and construction in process. Given that the museum has a



Lancaster currently under restoration, the talk was very timely giving us a much better understanding of the importance of the work going on in the next hangar.

# Humber's Dream RC Raffle Winners!

The 2011 raffle was a good success and generated a lot of interest from meeting attendees. Over \$250 in raffle tickets were sold at the meetings and through the mail so both Steve Simpson, Program Director and Bruce Gillespie, Treasurer were pleased with the results along with the folks who actually won the prizes. I guess you could say it was a WIN-WIN-WIN situation. And the winners were:

- Prize #1: DLE 20 Gas Engine......Gerry Pizer
- Prize #2: E-Flite Extra 3D .....Pearl LeRoux
- Prize #3: GWS BN-2 Islander .....Pat Knight
- Prize #4: Free Club 2011.....Bruce Gillespie
- Prize #5: A Free Jug of Fuel .....Nelson Jacinto





Gerry's New DLE-20

Pearl's New E-Flite Extra 3D

# **Executive Change Notice**

Unfortunately Rocco Vita has had to step down as Field Officer this year due to personal reasons. But Eric Gallas has agreed to come back for another season to fill this



position again. The club appreciates Eric's help and asks for your support in any way you can to keep the field ship shape. In particular the roster for grass cutters is filling up but we still need a few more volunteers. Please contact Eric to sign up.

# Sun May 15<sup>th</sup> – Field Clean Up Day – 10am ... and Season Flying Opener



Mark your calendars and help the club start the spring flying season on Sunday May 15<sup>th</sup>. Eric Gallas will be organizing the field cleanup day. We need your help to get the field ready for spring. We will provide the necessary gloves, tools and garbage bags. If you have a

wheelbarrow or rake that you can bring to the field, we could use it. Please come out to help and bring your airplane to get the flying season started too.

# Humber Valley's Summer Fun Fly **Sunday July 10, 2011** 10:00AM to 2:00PM



#### Want to fly? Want to win prizes? Want free food? Want great sex?

It's never too early to start planning. Come out for some old fashioned fun, food and prizes at our annual Summer Fun Fly. Barbecue and refreshments will be provided by the club. Bring out your favorite flver as we plan to have numerous fun events and lots of prizes. A Control Line flight demonstration is also being planned.

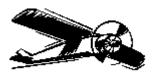
... We've got that! ... This is the place! ... We have that too!

... Take Viagra!

Bring your friends, your "significant other" and your kids to see the show and enjoy a day at the field.

#### Memorial Service Planned for July 10<sup>th</sup>

It's still hard for those of us who knew Wally Jaremko and **Peter Heelev** to accept the fact that they have passed away. We discussed this at the last couple of meetings and have decided that the Summer Fun Fly on July 10<sup>th</sup> would be the right time to hold a short memorial service to honor these two past members. A nice hot summer day at the field with a BBQ blazing and good friends all around is just the way they would want to be remembered. Those who wish to attend are asked to exchange stories of their good memories of Wally and Pete for all to hear.



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### Student Instruction Starts Tues May 17<sup>th</sup>



The 2011 Flight Training Wings Program will commence Tuesday May 17<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at the field, subject to the weather. Training nights will be Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6PM until sunset and extend into late October.

Chief Instructor **Tony Phan** is ready to get you cleared and is looking for new instructors to help instruct. If you can help out, please contact Tony as soon as possible. Students are reminded they require a Buddy-Box System to fly and the club recommends the use of a Flight Simulator if at all possible.



#### Last Chance for Indoor Flying!!

The last day reserved for indoor flying is Saturday April 30 so mark your calendars and plan to attend. North Albion Collegiate Institute is located just south of the field at 2580 Kipling Avenue on the west side.

#### Father's Day Scale Rally



(exit QEW onto Brant St North – take North Service Road West to King Rd North) from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM REGISTRATION FROM 0800 PILOTS MEETING 0845 Free lunch for Pilots / Pilot Draws Public welcome – free parking / lunch available No Entry Fees Contact: lan Brown

#### Mother's Day!

Don't forget to wish Mom a Happy Mother's day and don't be cheap – buy her some nice flowers!

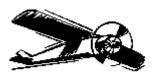


### 6th Annual Wings and Wheels Festival



# **Calendar of Upcoming Events**

Sat Apr 30 <sup>th</sup>	Indoor Flying at North Albion Collegiate Institute 3-5pm	
Sun May 15 <sup>th</sup>	Field Clean Up Day – 10am Mother's Day	
Tue May 17 <sup>th</sup>	Student Instruction Starts – 6pm	
Sat & Sun, May 29 <sup>th</sup> , 30 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup> Annual Wings and Wheels Festival	
Sun Jun 12 <sup>th</sup>	Annual TTC "Road"eo event	
Sat Jun 18 <sup>th</sup>	Father's Day Scale Rally	
Sun Jul 10 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Fun Fly – 10am Memorial Service for Wally & Pete	
Fall	Fall Float Fly – stay tuned	



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#### Field Gate Lock Notice!

The city has finally secured the gate and to our surprise, installed a new lock. Fortunately after some quick action by President **Pat Knight**, we received a key to this new lock but since it is not the same as the club's old lock, we needed to reinstate our old double lock process unless a better solution is found.

The extra club lock previously used on the storage container is now the double gate lock. Members are reminded to always lock the gate behind you. To lock the gate, interlock our lock with the city's lock as shown in the picture. **Paul McMillan** has posted this information on the forum reminding members to lock behind themselves and to be sure to link the locks so either group will be able to open the gate. The storage

container is currently secured with only one lock instead of two but we can deal with that later.

Your cooperation is required and appreciated to protect the field. Locking the gate is good for us. There have been stray cars exploring the road along the north side of the field since the gate has been open during construction which creates an unsafe situation.



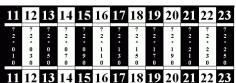
# Zero Tolerance Safety Policy!!



With the start of the flying season already upon us, field safety rules must be observed by members at all times. The executive wishes to remind all members of the importance of our current rules and the enforcement of our ZERO TOLERENCE SAFETY POLICY which was announced last year.

#### **Frequency Board**

Safety Officer Tony Phan reminds all members that our rules require that you



post your club and MAAC membership cards on the frequency board even if you fly 2.4 GHz. There is a row of hooks for 2.4 GHz flyers. This is to prove to the club that you are a member and that you have current MAAC insurance. <u>All flyers including</u> <u>2.4GHz must post their cards on the frequency board.</u> If you cannot produce your valid cards when challenged, you are automatically grounded until you find them. Forgetting them at home is no excuse. If you need replacement of lost cards, contact MAAC or **Bruce Gillespie**, Treasurer.

# No Post → No Fly!!!

#### TTC Annual Roadeo Notice – June 12<sup>th</sup> 9am

**Steve Simpson** is organizing our participation at the TTC 2011 Annual Roadeo and Family Day to be held on Sunday, June 12th, from 9 a.m. till 2 p.m. at the Arrow Road Division (700 Arrow Road, north of Sheppard, south of Finch, west of Highway 400). The Roadeo is sort of an obstacle course that bus operators run a bus through. Along with the Roadeo itself, the TTC holds a family day with several activities for families and kids of the bus operators to enjoy while waiting their turn at the wheel. Attendance is anticipated at approximately 1,000 adults and 800 children and is a great community outreach activity giving us the chance to attract new members.



CityTV's popular Breakfast TV host Dina Pugliese drives a bus through the pylon course

Last year Zoltan and Steve provided a flying demonstration and we have been invited to come back based on the success of this event. We are looking for members with indoor electrics to come and give flying demonstrations. We also need people to man our booth and show off the planes they brought and talk to visitors at the booth. If you are want to participate or help, please contact **Steve Simpson** ASAP.

# Why do we have rules?

We have safety rules for three main reasons:

**1) First and foremost**, our field insurance is dependent on all MAAC and club safety rules being followed. Should an accident occur, our MAAC insurance would be null and void if an investigation showed that it occurred during a rule violation.

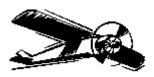
**2) The second reason** we have rules is to ensure the safety of members and spectators at the field.

**3) The third reason** is the preservation of our field for our mutual enjoyment.

It's easy for new members to take our field for granted. It was there when they discovered the club so what's the big deal? The fact is that clubs are losing fields all over America due to urban sprawl, environmental concerns (noise) and public safety issues. If a field is too close to roads or housing and generates



citizen complains – it is a sure death sentence to a good flying site. Our field is a rare jewel for a large city like Toronto. The fact that it sits on an old land fill site and is surrounded by power lines, railway tracks and highway makes it virtually useless for development and ideal for us. We have a very good relationship with the City Parks Department and we are not in danger of losing flying rights - as long as we use the site responsibly.



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#### Where can you find the rules?

There is no excuse for any member not knowing the rules. When you signed your application form, you signed a statement saying that you agree to abide by all Humber Valley and MAAC rules. You can download the club rules from our web site in the Library Section or ask any executive for a copy.

#### What do the rules say?

Therefore as a reminder, we wish to point out the following critical safety rules and policies that must be followed 100% of the time.

- 1. There will be no taxiing in the pit area or behind the flight line, and no flying south of, or over the flight line and the pit area.
- 2. Pilots are not to start engines in the gravel pit area (e.g. on the setup tables), or behind the flight stations.
- 3. There will be no flying north of the railroad tracks for any reason.
- 4. After unloading/loading aircraft and equipment, members must remove their vehicles from the designated loading/unloading area. There is no standing of vehicles in this area.

# No vehicles allowed beyond the parking lot!

The most common offence is the tendency of members to drive into the pit area to unload their cars. Please be advised that you may **NEVER DRIVE YOUR CAR BEYOND THE "NO** VEHICLES" SIGN. The



designated unloading area is the first parking spot immediately south of the "NO VEHICLES" sign. The gravel pit area is NOT for loading or unloading. Also, as a courtesy to other members, the unloading parking spot is not to be used for permanent parking.

This rule must be followed because MAAC sets minimum distances from the flight line or it will not insure the club. The parking area must be 30 meters from the flight line. This also means that helicopters may not use the area west of the setup tables for practicing hovering.

# **Engine Starting**

No engines, including helicopters should be started on the flight setup tables. Engine testing and break in may be conducted at the east or west extremities of the flight line.

# **Spectators**



Unaccompanied Spectators must be cautioned to stay on the gravel area unless invited onto the field and under the direct supervision of a member. Members should be careful to inform their guests about staying well clear of and behind running engines.

Do not start your

engines in pit area or

behind flight stations

#### What will happen to you if you break the rules?

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It is your responsibility to obey all rules. With the exception of minor accidental flight line violations (see note below), any member seen by an executive or reported and verified by members as breaking any of the above rules will be given one official warning in writing by the club. Any second infraction will result in *immediate suspension* of flying privileges for one month. Any 3<sup>rd</sup> infraction will result in *expulsion from the club* for the remainder of the season.

Note: Chronic accidental flight line offenders may be required to surrender their wings by the Chief Instructor and re-join the student instruction program for remedial training.

#### PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY

#### Noise Complaints and Warnings!!!!!! ALL FLYERS READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY

On Apr 23<sup>rd</sup> the club has had a visit from the Parks and Recreation Bylaw Officer because he received not one but two noise complaints in the last 2 weeks regarding HVRCF from the apartments and homes nearby. He asked if we are testing for noise, how are we recording the results, and if we have records of results and how we are working to making things better.

As a result, the 2011 executive wishes to remind all members about the discussion last year. We will enforce our noise limits and monitor them at the field with the club's new noise meter. Any engine failing the approved test below is immediately grounded. Any member knowingly flying a plane outside of noise limits will be suspended.

We are now testing planes at a distance of 25 feet. The decision to use 25 feet as a benchmark is based on repeatable measurements made by the IMAC Sound Task Force. It turns out that 88 decibels at 25 feet is equivalent to

96 decibels at 10 feet at 3 ft height with an "A" weighted scale.

If you want your plane tested, contact Tony Phan. When the temperature warms up, we can do tests anytime Tony is at the field which is almost every day!

Check in with what is happening on the club's forum for latest tips and tricks. If you need help, post a question and we will help you solve your noise problem.

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