

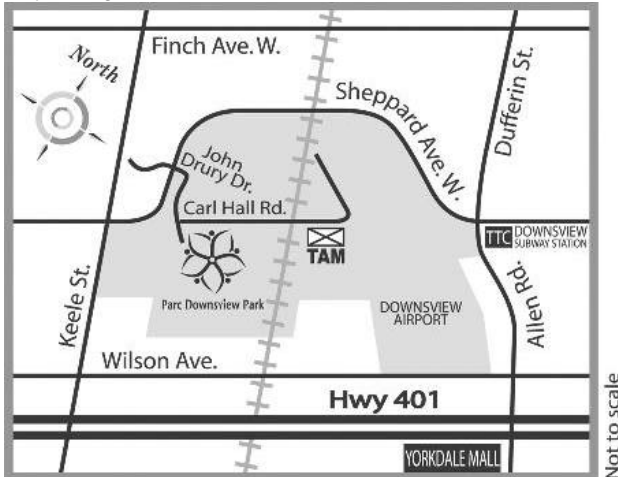


## Humber Valley's Annual General Meeting Tues Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2004 @ 7:30 PM



Here's how to get there: From the 401 East or West, exit at Keele Street North. Turn right on Sheppard Ave, and follow Sheppard to the entrance to

Downsview Park. Turn right into the park onto John Drury Lane until you reach Carl Hall Road. Turn left at Carl Hall and continue east over the railway tracks to the Museum, which is on your right hand side.



Not to scale

## De Havilland Plant Tour – Feb 15<sup>th</sup>

This is your last chance to sign up for the De Havilland plant tour Feb 15<sup>th</sup> 10:00 AM. There are only 15 spots left. If you wish to attend, contact **Dave Edwards** ASAP as he needs to provide the names in advance to De Havilland. **Note: De Havilland has informed us that they are discontinuing tours and ours will be the last one! If you wish to attend you must register by February 9<sup>th</sup>.** Contact:

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As you know, this plant has manufactured such classics as the Beaver and the Otter and is currently producing the well known Dash series of turboprop commuter planes. This should be an extremely interesting tour.



A beautiful De Havilland Dash-8 in flight.

## Feb 3rd Program Announcement Jack Humphries – Everything you wanted to know about FAI but were afraid to ask!



The World Air Sports Federation  
Fédération Aéronautique Internationale

**Jack Humphries** is coming to talk to us about FAI; classes and competitions. FAI is the **Fédération Aéronautique International**, or in English, the World Air Sports Federation founded in 1905. It is a non-governmental and non-profit international organization with the basic aim of furthering aeronautical and astronautic activities worldwide.



Jack began flying models in the 1950's. He started with control-line and then got into competition flying with the Balsa Beavers, Combat, and all classes of Gas Free Flight.

Jack's first radio was an ECC Telecommander in 1957 but it never did work very well so he waited until 1967 when after graduating from Engineering bought an FM proportional set and began flying radio control gliders. He was a member of the Canadian Team at the first R/C Glider World Champs in 1977 and for the next four World Champs. He has been Team Manager for the Control-Line Team and the Indoor Team. During this time he taught Mathematics at High School.

Since the mid 1980's he went into sport radio flying, especially sea planes, and obtained pilot licences in Glider and Ultralights. **Incidentally he will be bringing a large seaplane he made probably 40+ years ago that he is still flying today.**

After escaping from teaching he started **A&J Hobbies** with **Arden Zhang**, a two time World Champion Control-line Stunt flyer from Shanghai.

Jack was a MAAC Zone Director in the 1960's. He has been Constitution Chairman, Contest & Rules Committee Chairman, Free Flight Chairman, R/C Glider Chairman, FAI Chairman, and has been the delegate to CIAM. Until last year he was the vice president of the Aero Club of Canada with the mandate of protecting MAAC's interests within that body. For more information visit the FAI home page at <http://www.fai.org>.

## Jan 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting Report - Patrick Zdunich's

After a little trouble getting the projector setup, **Patrick Zdunich** provided a fascinating and well prepared presentation on the Mentor and its capabilities, which only goes to show you that if you work hard enough, you might someday be able to make a living from RC. Wouldn't that be sweet?



### Great Turnout for the Jan 1<sup>st</sup> Fun Fly

Congratulations to **Giuliano Mior** who logged the first flight of 2004 after hitting the airwaves around 10:00 AM. The mild weather brought at least a dozen flyers out and plenty of visitors including; **Dave Plank, Dave Edwards, Dan Paluzzi, Agasthi, Jamie, Justin, Rick, Elio, Nestor, Tibor, Duc, Jeff Wells** and sons and five new members; **Chris, Matteo, Stefano, Spencer and Erin**. Thanks to **Dave Plank** for the jug of coffee. I told my wife I was going to the field for an hour and wound up staying most of the afternoon!

... **Garry Del Bel Belluz**

### Don't Forget the Fun Fly Sun Feb 29<sup>th</sup>

Make sure you come to the field Sunday morning 10:30am to Noon for fun, flying, hot chocolate, and a great fun time. Can you beat the elements? You won't know unless you try. The February Frozen Finger Fun Fly is a Humber Valley sacred tradition! Even if you don't fly, bring a friend and come out to see the snow and skis fly at the field.

### RC Club of Toronto Swap Meet – Mar 5<sup>th</sup>

The Radio Control Club of Toronto has invited the Humber Valley, Richmond Hill and Seaton Valley RC clubs to its annual RC Swap Meet , **Friday March 5<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 10:00 PM** at the Alexander Mackenzie Senior Public School, 33 Heather Road in Scarborough. Closest major intersection is Kennedy Road and Hwy 401 (see map below). Entrance is at the far west side of the building....look for the cars.

"We are trying to revitalize the spirit of small club swap meets and we encourage you to bring some of your "stuff" to the swap meet to sell, barter, trade, negotiate....bottom line is....lets have some fun and meet the some of the other clubs", says **Richard Staron** Toronto Club President. "There is no charge, no fees....free coffee and cookies. I look forward to seeing some of your junk....I mean good stuff. Your significant other will love you for selling some of it....just don't get caught bring it back or buying more. I look forward to meeting you at our club meeting."

### Calendar of Upcoming Events

Tues Feb 3 <sup>rd</sup>	7:30 PM Club Meeting – Jack Humphries, FAI
Sun Feb 15 <sup>th</sup> <b>** NOTE **</b>	10:00 AM Tour of the De Havilland plant <b>** SIGN UP NOW **</b>
Sun Feb 29 <sup>th</sup>	Humber Valley Annual February Frozen Finger Fun Fly <b>** NEW **</b> 10:30 AM to Noon
Tue Mar 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Club Meeting – Speaker to be announced
Fri Mar 5 <sup>th</sup>	7:00- 10:00 PM Toronto Club Swap Meet – See newsletter for details
Tue Apr 6 <sup>th</sup>	Club Meeting: Bob Hudson - IMAC
May 4 <sup>th</sup>	Cub Meeting: Beauty Contest
Sun Jul 11 <sup>th</sup>	Humber's Death Valley Dog Fight - Scale Combat Competition

### Annual General Meeting Report

The January 6<sup>th</sup> meeting was the official Annual General Meeting of the club and was the first meeting run by the new executive for 2004. The meeting was attended by about 30 members and guests. The new executive is full of energy and busy planning events and field improvements for the coming season. New initiatives being discussed for the coming year include:

- Funding via Trillium Grant
- Field leveling
- Improved parking and road access
- Competitive quotes for grass cutting
- Improved quality of cross-cutting the grass
- Installation of prototype "X" type starting stations
- ... and more.

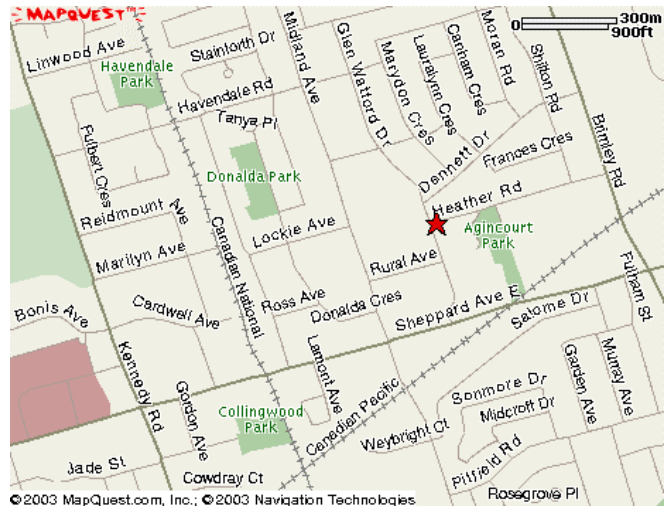
Executive meetings and club meeting minutes are now being documented and approved under the general course of conducting club business and we are planning on making these documents open to club members via the club web site. Talk to **Dan Paluzzi**, Secretary for more information.

### Club Appointments

New appointments for the 2004 flying season are as follows:

- Ronald Roa Chief Instructor
- Roy Gee Librarian
- Justin Gregoris Junior Representative

The club especially wishes to thank **Tony Phan**, Chief Instructor and **Danny and Keith Hay**, Librarians for their contribution to the club last year.



### Your Executive ...

President, David Plank	(416) 763 0082
Vice President, Gary Del Bel Belluz	(416) 741 8181
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Contest Director, Dave Sanders	(905) 271 3141
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Field Officer, Gary Del Bel Belluz	(416) 741 8181
Past President, Tom Gottlieb	(416) 781 3189

### Appointed Club Positions:

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