



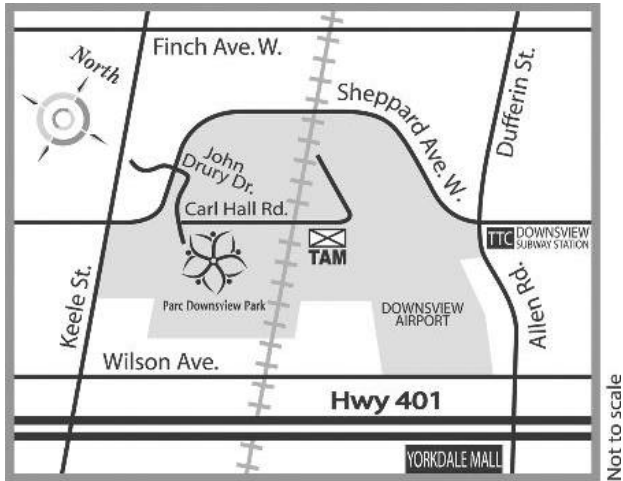
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## First Meeting Tues Oct 5<sup>th</sup>, 2004 @ 7:30 PM



**Here's how to get there:**  
From the 401, take Keele north. Turn right on Sheppard, and follow Sheppard to the Downsview Park entrance and turn right on John Drury Drive. Turn left at Carl Hall Road and continue over the railway tracks. The museum is on the right.

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## 26th Annual Hobby Show is Coming!!



Don't forget to attend the Hobby Show at the International Center this year for a look at all the latest in RC. Visit the hobby show web site at [www.thehobbyshow.com](http://www.thehobbyshow.com)  
**Show hours are:**

Friday November 5<sup>th</sup> 12PM to 9PM  
Saturday November 6<sup>th</sup> 10AM to 8PM  
Sunday November 7<sup>th</sup> 10AM to 6PM

**ADMISSION:** ADULTS \$12.00, SENIORS and KIDS 6 TO 12- \$8.00, Under 6 - FREE

## Russell Hayes Remembered

It is our sad duty to report on the death of one of our club members, Russell Hayes. Russ was a regular at club meetings, and a fixture at the field. Although health problems kept Russ from flying in recent years, he remained an avid builder – and buyer – of planes. Russ rarely came away from a swap meet empty handed and he enjoyed watching his friend - and test pilot - Jon Holmes, put the planes through their paces. Russ' colourful commentaries will be sorely missed at the field, and the Executive wishes to extend their condolences to all his family and friends.

## Humber's 1<sup>st</sup> IMAC Basic Pattern Competition Sunday Oct 24<sup>th</sup> – Noon to 4:00pm

Remember Bob Hudson's talk on IMAC competition last April? Well the IMAC basic pattern maneuvers have been posted on the flight stations at the field this summer and many of you have been practicing them. We have scheduled the first ever attempt at a pattern competition at the field for club members only. This will be an



informal event with basic judging and tips for improvement. The best part is that any airplane may be used and we will have our field instructors there to coach your first official pattern flying attempt. So come out and give it a try and cheer on your friends!

## Big Brothers Open House Report

This summer, Humber Valley held its first annual Big Brothers/Big Sisters open house on June 26<sup>th</sup>. The Kids were very enthusiastic. When the Big Brothers organization announced the event to it's members, registration for the event was completely booked within hours! The club's cadre of flying instructors volunteered their time, and student pilots volunteered their trainers and buddy boxes to give the kids a taste of model aviation. The turnout from Club members volunteering for this event was simply fantastic! Eighteen boys and girls, and their adult mentors, had a chance at three or four flights each on the buddy box. **Dave Edwards** brought his laptop out to the field with Real Flight running on it, and when kids weren't getting actual stick time, they were learning the basics on the simulator.



What a turnout! – Everyone had a good time.

**Darren Christopher** of Extreme Helicopters thrilled the kids, and the club members, with an amazing helicopter display during lunch, followed by an impressive fixed wing aerobatics display by club member, **Jeff Shimo!** We thank Darren & Jeff, and the kids for making the event a success. We also extend heartfelt thanks to all the club members and students who volunteered their time and equipment to make this such a great day, and particular thanks to Contest Director **Dave Sanders**, and his wife **Naomi**, for organizing running the event!

This kind of open house event is a great way to show the value our club provides to the community, and to reach out to the upcoming generation. I hope that we can make the open house an annual event!

## Calendar of Upcoming Events

Tue Oct 5 <sup>th</sup>	First Club Meeting: Paul Cabot Toronto Aerospace Museum Update
Sun Oct 17 <sup>th</sup>	South East MAAC Zone Meeting, 12 noon at the TAM.
Sun Oct 17 <sup>th</sup>	London Model Airplane Club Swap Meet – Western Fair Grounds, London ON – see <a href="http://www.lmac.on.ca">www.lmac.on.ca</a>
Sun Oct 24 <sup>th</sup>	Basic Pattern Competition – Noon
Tue Nov 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Club Meeting: Lloyd MacLean – Engine Maintenance
Nov 5 <sup>th</sup> 6 <sup>th</sup> 7 <sup>th</sup>	!!!!!!! The Hobby Show !!!!!!!



## Death Valley Dogfight 2004

This year's "Death Valley Dogfight" was held at our club field on July 11<sup>th</sup>, and was an unqualified success, with a record 17 pilots participating! The event was well sponsored with prizes from Radio Control Sports and Hobbies, and an ad in the MAAC magazine resulting in excellent spectator turnout! There were 20 to 30 spectators at any giving time throughout the day. Some came from as far as Wharton - a 3 ½ hour drive – just to watch the action!



What a great turnout!

The event was flown in 6 rounds of 3 heats each, but in the final round we went to two heats, with 7 or 8 planes in each heat! The action was intense and the spectators showed their approval often. The Humber Hawks accounted themselves well in the face of Stiff competition. Club member, **Rick "Shockwave" VanAmelsfort** took first place with a score of 1240 points,



The proud winners circle.

Humber Hawk, **Dave "Colonel" Sanders** was close behind in second place with 1220 points, and **Jeff "Iceman"**

**Truemner** of the Cobble Hills Fighter Group in London, Ontario came in third with 1200 points... a very close fight all round.

Our own club Secretary, **Dan "Buzz" Paluzzi**, took "best scale" with his beautiful Focke Wolf TA-152. In fact, as the combat season is now almost over, it can now be told that Dan pulled a hat-trick, winning "best scale" at the **Onslaught Over Oakville**, the **Death Valley Dogfight** and finally at the **Blitz over London** which took place this past September 19<sup>th</sup> at the London Model Aircraft Club. Each win was with a different wonderfully built and finished plane. Dan and Gary continue to duke it out for the title of "best SPAD builder in the universe"!



Gary's Albatros D.Va ready to fight.

The entire combat season was a great success overall, with every scale event in Ontario nearly doubling its participation over last year. Our Wednesday night combat scrambles at the club were also well attended this year (when the weather permitted) with as many as 10 club members showing up for combat on a Wednesday night.

Added to the mix this year was London's "**Dawn Patrol**" challenge, World War One biplane combat event. This was also well attended, and proved the concept of the WWI class... so don't be surprised to see more WWI combat biplanes performing their slow, swirling combat ballet over the field on Sunday afternoons in the months to come.

## Safety Reminder

You may have heard of the accident that took place at a club in London, Ontario this summer when a member of that club, who was standing in the pits, was struck on the head by a trainer and seriously injured. This incident serves to remind us of the importance of being vigilant about safe flying practices; and in particular, in observing the flightline.



As we all know, both club rules and the MAAC safety code state that there shall be no flying behind the flight line under any circumstances. Especially - at our club - the section of flightline between the yellow markers at each end of the field. When a plane is in trouble, our natural instinct is to fight to save the plane... but if an airplane in trouble crosses the flightline, it is imperative that it be ditched immediately that it is safe to do so, regardless of the damage that will occur to the plane. No matter how much time and money we put in to our planes, they will never be worth a life.

**Let's all remember to make safety our first priority, and when planes are in the air... stay aware!**

## Oct 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting Program - Paul Cabot TAM Curator/Manager

Don't miss the October 5<sup>th</sup> meeting to hear Paul Cabot update us on the Arrow project, the bomber restoration and the De Havilland Moth.

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