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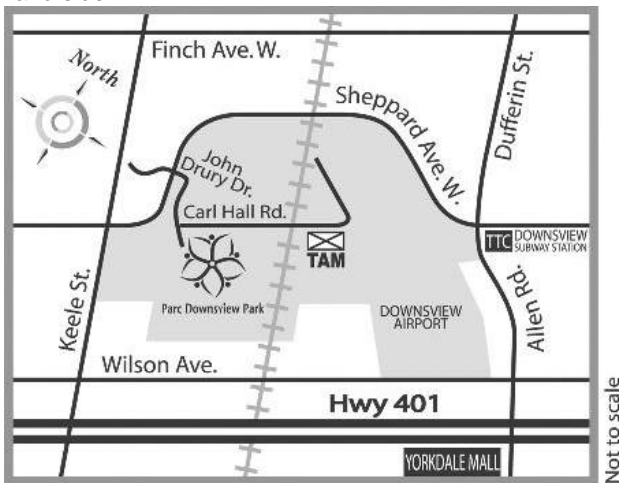
New Location for December Meeting: Tues Dec 2nd, 2003 @ 7:30pm

Toronto Aerospace Museum



Please note the following directions and study the map carefully. If you have never been there, it can be a little tricky finding the museum. For more information on the museum collection, history, stories and museum newsletters, visit: www.torontoaerospacemuseum.com.

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.



Nov 4th Meeting Report: Bad News/Good News

The November 7th meeting was held at the Toronto Aerospace Museum and was attended by about 25 members. We are hoping for a much bigger turnout to the December meeting do to the renewal raffle for prize money and hear our guest speaker and demonstration.

The **bad news** was that at the November meeting, **Laddie Mikulasko** cancelled out at the last minute. However, with so much to see in the museum, it was tough enough even without a speaker to get everyone's attention away from all the cool exhibits. We hope to reschedule Laddie later in the winter.

The **good news** was that **Paul Cabot**, curator and manager of the museum gave us an impromptu talk on the history of the museum, its mission, growth plans, and stories on the major projects underway. We were all spellbound for 45 minutes! Can't wait to get back in there and soak up the Canadian aviation history – without the \$8.00 entrance fee!
What a deal!

December 2nd Program Announcement Richard Staron

Richard Staron is the President of the Toronto Flying Club and has graciously agreed to demonstrate his complete working CNC foam wing cutting machine that he built and will



actually have it cut a set of wings right at our meeting! The machine with computer controller is modular and takes

about 15 minutes to assemble. This is a serious piece of equipment. The bow that cuts the wing is over 60" in length!
Don't miss this unique Humber Valley Event!

Hobby Show Report

The club booth at the hobby show was a great success this year thanks to the organization of Dave Plank and the



participation of many members who manned the booth and greeted visitors. There was a lot of interest in the Ornithopter project and long lineups to try the flight simulator.

As a result of the show, we handed out about 125 information



sheets and found many interested future members. For example two students paid a visit to the booth, liked the simulator and subsequently showed up at the field Nov

22. The gusty winds didn't stop the pair from flying a trainer, pizza box SPAD and an electric pusher jet. The 14 year olds are keenly interested in scale combat and plan to join our club in 2004.



Library Video Return Request

In spite of Keith Hay's continued efforts to manage the library, we are having a lot of difficulty maintaining the library. Materials are out of date and members are not returning videos. If you have borrowed a video, please return it to Keith at the December meeting or by mail. We will discuss what to do with the library materials at the meeting.

2004 Renewal Drive – Money Talks and... Free Gasoline “Jerry” Cans for 1st 60 members!

You will find attached the membership renewal form for 2004. Please take a few moments to fill it out. Write your name on the draw ticket on the top right corner of the form and we will enter your name for the draw.

If you renew your membership by mail before Dec 2nd or do it at the December meeting you will be eligible to win one of the following prizes:

- 4 litre Jerry Cans to the first 60 members to renew
- Renewal Raffle Prizes:
 - 1st Prize - \$100.00
 - 2nd Prize - \$75.00
 - 3rd Prize - \$50.00



The club especially thanks **Elio Delapa** who was able to obtain 60 brand new gasoline Jerry Cans from connections at his wife's place of employment! Elio has donated them to the club.

These are high quality 4 litre hard shell plastic cans with a clear side widow for view and hidden pouring spout. They are good for any liquid you wish to bring to the field – glow or gasoline fuel or as Dave demonstrates – any other kind of fuel you like. You can even use it for your car or lawnmower!

If you can't make it to the meeting, you can still qualify for the draw if you mail your renewal payment in before the Dec 2nd meeting. All members who renew at or prior to the meeting will be entered into the draw. If you can't make the meeting, send your renewal and cheque to the address shown on the 2004 renewal form.

Note: Please bring your 2003 card to the meeting and we will give you a 2004 validation sticker. If you forget your card we will issue you a new one (if you ask nicely).

Note: it is your responsibility to renew your MAAC and we have attached a MAAC form for your convenience. To fly at our field you need to display a current valid MAAC card in your plastic pouch.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Dec 2 nd	December Meeting 7:30pm Renew for cash prizes!
Jan 1st	New Year's Day Fun Fly – 12 Noon! Be the first to fly in 2004!
Jan 6 th	Annual General Meeting

2004 Election Results

Thanks to the Election Committee, and flawless execution of the election process, we now have a new executive. Since there was only one person nominated for each position, the following people have all been acclaimed to the following positions:

- President Dave Plank
- Vice President Gary Del Bel Belluz
- Secretary Dan Paluzzi
- Treasurer/Membership Coordinator Agasthi Ranasinghe
- Field Officer Gary Del Bel Belluz
- Program Director Dave Edwards
- Contest Director Dave Sanders

Many thanks to all of these individuals who have offered their time and expertise to help run the club. Please give them your support in the coming year.

New Tail Restraints Installed



Thanks to **Gary Del Bel Belluze** and his father, we now have a new set of “kick-ass” tail restraints. They are made from concrete forms that are adjustable for 3 sizes



of airplanes. The forms have 3 sets of holes for small, medium or large airplanes (if you are a Starbuck's fan, that would be “Tall”, “Grande”, and “Venti” size).

Your !!! NEW !!! Executive for 2004

- President, David Plank (416) 763 0082
- Vice President, Gary Del Bel Belluz (416) 741 8181
- Secretary, Dan Paluzzi (905) 303 0500
- Program Director, David Edwards (416) 769 5243
- Contest Director, Dave Sanders (905) 271 3141
- Treasurer, Agasthi Ranasinghe (905) 761 2092
- Field Officer, Gary Del Bel Belluz (416) 741 8181
- Past President, Tom Gottlieb (416) 781 3189

Appointed Club Positions:

- Chief Instructor, Tony Phan (416) 740 2388
- Editor, Tom Gottlieb (416) 781 3189
- Web Master, Barry Collingwood (416) 661 2403