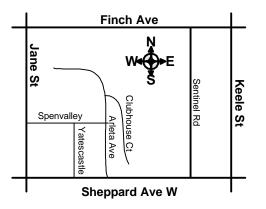


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Next Winter Meeting is Tues Feb 4th, 2003 at the Northwood Center @ 7:30pm

Our winter meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month from Oct to May. Join in 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.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Feb 4 th	 February Club Meeting 1st Show and Tell night – bring a plane and win a jug of fuel
Feb 9 th * SUNDAY*	Humber Valley Frozen Finger Fun Fly!
Mar 4 th	 March Club Meeting 2nd Show and Tell night – bring a plane and win a jug of fuel The Story of the Gee Bee R2 and the Golden Age of Air Racing – Tom Gottlieb
Apr 1 st	April Club MeetingBuy and Sell Night
Apr 8 th **NEW**	Tips and Tricks night for all members. Watch future newsletters for more details.
May 6 th	May Club Meeting Annual Beauty Contest

Jan 7th Meeting report – Emil Kacan and Ken Manuel

Many thanks to Ken and Emil for their talks and great information. It was a busy night. Emil showed some of his latest electric creations and Ken demonstrated his covering techniques. For more information see Ken's site at www.SeriouslyFunModels.com.

Humber's 1st 2003 New Year's Day Fun Fly

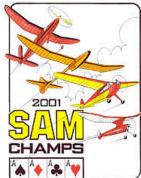
About 13 brave members came out in the cold to be the first flyers of 2003. Apparently many clubs hold events like this annually. Dave Plank got the honour of the first flight for



2003. Gary Del Bel Belluz claimed the first dead stick. About 5 planes flew that morning and above is the photo to prove it.

Feb 4th Meeting Speaker Notice – Roy Bourke – Society of Antique Modelers

Come to the Feb 4th meeting and get to know Roy Bourke



magazine and an avid builder and flyer and he will tell us everything you ever wanted to know about SAM but were afraid to ask. and find out all about the Society of Antique Modelers. SAM is a world-wide organization with hundreds of local chapters. We are pleased to have Roy come and talk to us about SAM. He is the current writer and editor of the SAM column in the MAAC



Don't Forget the Humber Valley February Frozen Finger Fun Fly (FFFFF) When? Sunday Feb 9th @ 11:00 AM

Make sure you come to the field Sunday morning **11:00am** for fun, flying, hot chocolate, contests and prizes. Can you beat the winter elements? You won't know unless you try.



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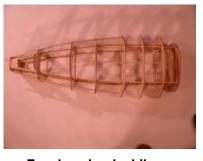
March 4th Meeting Speaker will be Tom Gottlieb on The Golden Age of Air Racing

Our own President, Tom Gottlieb will be presenting the



summary of his extensive research (and recent obsession) on the Golden Age of Air Racing and in particular the history of the Gee Bee R2. Tom has been building a .60 size R2 over the winter and will bring it in to

discuss his hopes and dreams for building and recreating the historic flight of the illfated R2 at Humber Valley. There will also be an exclusive **video presentation** of the historic R2 built by the famous Granville Bothers and designed by aeronautical engineer Pete Miller.



Fuselage Looks Like a Giant Bumble Bee

Show and Tell Feb and March MeetingsWin a jug of fuel!

How's that building project coming along? We would love to see it. Here is your chance for 5 minutes of fame and glory to tell us about your project, (and all the free advice you can take)! Come and strut your stuff! Bring us your partially or fully completed models. It's a great incentive for new members and builders to see what other people are doing in the hobby. All members who bring in a plane for Show and Tell will have their name put in the draw for a jug of fuel.

2003 Renewal Raffle – The Winners Are...

The renewal raffle was held at the January meeting and the following were the lucky winners:

Hobbico Expanded Scale VoltmeterSorin Camer Prop BalancerJake Unger Hobbico Digital Mini-TachometerDave Plank Hobbico Quick Field ChargerChuck Tatham Top Flight Laser Incidence MeterMike Bartino Hobbico Electric Fuel PumpMichael D'Antonio Dura-Grit Sanding Bars (3)

.....Janos Szoboldi, Larry Crompton & Chris Hart

If you were a winner and have not collected your prize, call Jon Holmes, our Contest Director to make arrangements to receive it. Thanks to all members who renewed on time to help get the club off to a good start for the 2003 season. The current membership statistics are shown at right.

Buy and Sell Night – Apr 1st

Got stuff to sell? Here is your chance. Bring it to the April meeting and find a buyer.

Swap Meet Coming Up

The Oakville Model Flying Club is hosting a Toronto West Swap Meet. Sunday Feb 2nd 9am to 1pm. 785 Pacific Road, Unit 13 & 14. Pacific Road runs west off Wyecroft Road and is south of the QEW between Bronte Road and Third Line. See <u>www.omfc.org</u> for map and information.

Current Membership Statistics

Of the 136 members on our list, **so far 72 have renewed** which is about the same number as we had renewed this time last year. So if you have not yet renewed your membership, what are you waiting for? Spring is just around the corner!

2003 Member Counts				
Pilots:	74	Open:	112	
Students:	48	Junior:	19	
Instructors:	10	Life:	5	
Sr Instructors:	4			
TOTAL:	136	TOTAL:	136	

Frequency Usage Survey Results

The table below lists the results of the frequency survey that was included on the 2003 renewal form. From the results you can see that if you are planning to buy a new transmitter and you want to avoid busy channels, stay away from 16, 24 and 38 and 42. The next most active channels are 18, 27, 32, 33, 51, and 55.

Chan	#								
11	1	21	1	31	1	41	1	51	3
12	0	22	2	32	3	42	4	52	2
13	0	23	1	33	0	43	1	53	2
14	3	24	4	34	3	44	1	54	2
15	0	25	1	35	0	45	0	55	3
16	6	26	2	36	0	46	1	56	2
17	0	27	3	37	1	47	0	57	0
18	3	28	1	38	5	48	1	58	2
19	0	29	2	39	2	49	0	59	1
20	1	30	1	40	2	50	2	60	2

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