

The Humber Valley Flyer

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Announcing - Death Valley Dogfight July 5th & 6th, 2003

The Humber Valley R/C Flyers and the "Humber Hawks" Combat Group will host the First Annual "Death Valley Dogfight" two day RC Combat event at our own Humber Valley field. The RC **Open "B" Combat Event** will be held on Saturday, followed by the **2610 RC Scale Combat Event** on Sunday. Pilot sign-in and inspection will start at 10:30am on both days. Combat begins at 12:00 noon. Entry fee is \$20 for one event, or \$30 for both events. Quality prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in both events, including OS .25 FXs for 1st prize...but no pilot will go away empty handed. For info, or to register, Contact Dave "SideSlip" Plank 416-763-0082 or info@aircombat.ca. Pilots should register by June 27th to ensure a spot on the roster or come out to witness a great weekend of combat competition!

The Humber Valley 2003 Summer Fun Fly and Food Fest is coming!

New Date! Sat Aug 9, 2003
9:00AM - 5:00PM
Rain Date: Sun Aug10

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| 9:00 to 10:00 | Set up and free flying |
| 10:00 to 11:00 | Demonstrations |
| 11:00 to 1:00 | Flying Competitions |
| 12:00 to 1:00 | Free Food and Free Flying |
| 1:00 to 2:00 | Raffle & Draws for Prizes |
| 2:00 to 3:30 | Combat Competition |
| 3:30 to 5:00 | Free/Student Flying |

Want to fly?
Want free food?
Want great sex?

... We've got that!
... We have that too!

... Take Viagra!

Bring your friends, bring your wife and kids to see the show and enjoy a picnic lunch on us and watch while we enjoy our favorite Humber Valley competitions and demonstrations.

2003 Member List and Statistics

The current annual member list is available from the club web site in the member's section. The User Name and Password for 2003 will be e-mailed out to all paid up members. If you are not on e-mail and you would like a copy, call Tom Gottlieb at 416-781-3189 anytime and leave your name and we will mail you a copy. If you have not yet renewed your membership please do so ASAP and enjoy the use of our great field.

| Pilots: | 62 | Open: | 91 |
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| Students: | 29 | Junior: | 10 |
| Instructors: | 15 | Life: | 5 |
| TOTAL: | 106 | TOTAL: | 106 |

Grass Cutting

The field is now in excellent shape and the grass was cut twice a week in June. Starting about now in July, we will have the grass cut only once a week with the slower growth in order to save money. If there is a problem at the field, please call Gary Del Bel Belluz, Field Officer, for assistance. The photo below shows the field being enjoyed by a fleet of giant airplanes. Did the grass fertilizer make these airplanes grow or do we just have a lot of short pilots?



April 27, 2003 Humber Valley "Hawk Fight" Report

Check out the June, 2003 MAAC magazine on page 27 for David "Sideslip" Plank's write-up on Open Combat. Also on page 76, you can find the article on R/C Scale Combat and the April 27th event held at our field. There are a number of photos like the ones below. The event ran like clockwork with Dave's organizational skills in high gear. Gary Del Bel Belluz flew one of his exquisite Corsairs that flew smooth as silk and turned on a dime. Chuck "Badger" Tatham 's Mig 7 passed the safety inspection after his first Midair but lost an aileron in another crunch with Gary's Corsair. A special "Most Realistic Wreckage" award was acknowledged for Johny "Mig Guyver"s Corsair after a devastating midair. However, Johny felt better when he saw "Midair" Plarina's P 51 Mustang come



For a complete write-up of the event – see the MAAC magazine article.



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New Tail Restraints Work Great!

The pilot stations have been renovated and the new tail restraints are in and working great. The new restraints have successfully encouraged flyers to start their engines at the flight line, which was the intention. We are always looking for ways to improve the field. If you have an idea or suggestion, speak to one of the club executive.

May 6th Beauty Contest Report

We had an excellent turnout at the beauty contest this year. All the prize money was snapped up by the happy winners. Congratulations to all those who participated. So what are you going to build next year? A few people are already waiting to see a photo of "Tom's model" in next year's newsletter. Patience gentlemen, patience!

Weston Lyons Park Exhibition Fly In! Canada Day – Tues July 1st

We have been invited to host some exhibition flying at the Weston Park Lyon's Club Park on Tuesday July 1st. Since the field is a little small, Ken Manuel has agreed to demonstrate his electric warbirds which are able to fly in smaller spaces. Ken is organizing our participation. We would welcome members to bring nice airplanes for static display. We will use the opportunity to hand out club info sheets. If you would like to participate and/or help out, please call Ken at 416-265-3866 or e-mail him at manuel@idirect.com. The park is one block west of Weston Road, south off Lawrence Ave.

Where are they now?

Remember Mike Thomas who was our guest speaker on



Indoor Flying at the December, 2002 meeting. Well if you check out the June, 2003 MAAC magazine (pages 69-71) you will see Mike is active and "kicking butt" in indoor competition taking 1st and 2nd prizes in all four categories.

Remember **James Delaurier** and his **Ornithopter**? Well Dave Edwards, David Plank and others have been working to improve and

lighten the model. Also James has reported that there was a

documentary called "Nature's Secrets" last month on the Discovery Channel which included the Flapper project. It covers the testing from last year, and was very well done. By the way, if you are



wondering how the project is doing, Jim reports that the main undercarriage has to be replaced (it has small but irreparable fractures) and a new one is being built. He plans on further testing this year (perhaps by August). The Flapper seems to be an autumn bird. Remember Bernie Lehman who brought his Avro Arrow to

the January 2002 meeting. Bernie flew the Arrow at the Canadian Forces Base, Trenton on June 21 and 22, 2003 performing at the Quinte International Air Show. Congrats to Bernie for keeping the spirit of the Arrow alive.



Garbage Problem Solved!

Thank goodness the garbage problem at the field has been solved. After calling the city garbage hotline, a crew showed up in the middle of May and cleaned up the are outside the fence and in the bus turnaround area. There is a new sign on the fence warning that dumping garbage is subject to a \$10,000 fine. If you see anyone dumping garbage, please note the vehicle license number and report to the club executive.

Where are all the Students?

Last Tuesday night there were 6 instructors and only 3 students??? Come on people – if you want to clear – you have to show up! The flying season is here and the student program is underway. Student flying is held each Tuesday and Thursday evening (weather permitting) starting around 6:00pm and ending at dusk. Remember that you won't clear unless you come out regularly. The club provides instruction at other times subject to instructor availability and their willingness. Please remember that our instructors do this on a volunteer basis. Congrats to Rick van Amelsfort who was the first student to clear this summer.

Tony Phan Appointed Chief Instructor

Many thanks to Tony Phan who has accepted the position of Chief Instructor for Humber Valley. He will take over immediately from Eric Siegele who did a great job for the club in past years but is unable to commit the time this year due to a heavy workload. Tony is a long time club member, an outstanding flyer, and frequent instructor. Please give him your support and help.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

| July 1 st | Canada Day exhibition flying at Weston Lyon's Club Park |
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| July 5 th & 6 th | Humber Combat Weekend |
| Aug 9 th | Summer Fun Fly |

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