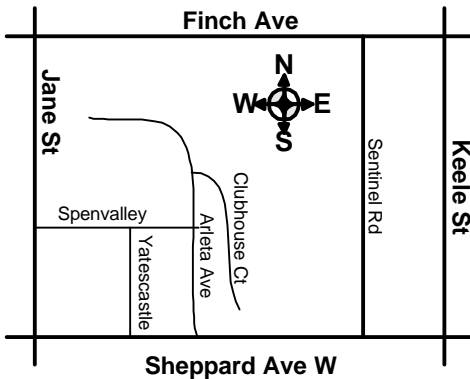




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Next Winter Meeting is Tues Mar 4th, 2003 at the Northwood Center @ 7:30pm

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

Mar 4th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 1st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> April Club Meeting Buy and Sell Night
Apr 8th **NEW**	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tips and Tricks night for all members. Watch future newsletters for more details.
May 6th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May Club Meeting Annual Beauty Contest

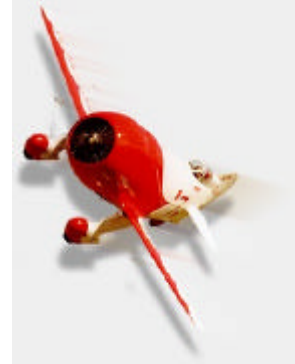
Report on Humber's February Frozen Finger Fun Fly (FFFFF)

We had an excellent turnout for the FFFFF with about 15 members attending. Let's just say the weather was a little "crisp". It was not a day for the feint of heart. I would say the winds were probably around 45-50 km/hr at least. Only about 4 brave "frights" took place. A highlight of the day was the hot chili prepared by Dave Plank and served hot in the shelter protected by a plastic wind shield. We raffled off a nice collection of prizes and then took off to get warm! See y'all next year!

March 4th Meeting Topic - The Golden Age of Air Racing - Tom Gottlieb

Tom has been building the Adrian Page Gee Bee R2 as featured in the August 2001 Model Airplane News magazine (see www.adrianpage.com). This has become Tom's obsession over the winter and he has collected a number of books, articles and videos on the famous Granville Brothers Gee Bee racers. He will be

presenting the summary of his research on the Golden Age of Air Racing and in particular the history of the Gee Bee R2. The Gee Bee is still under construction, but Tom will describe the kit and the challenge of building it. This is not a beginner plane! Tom hopes to recreate the historic flight of the ill-fated R2 at Humber Valley. There will also be an exclusive slide show of the construction, some Gee Bee collectibles, and a great **video presentation** of the historic R2 built by the famous Granville Bothers, designed by aeronautical engineer Pete Miller, and the replica flown by Delmar Benjamin



Treasurer's Report - by Chuck Tatham

Chuck has prepared the following report covering club activities from Nov 1/02 to Jan 31/03. This report reflects the renewal fees collected during the December and January meetings and expenses over the same reporting period.

Opening Balance Nov 1, 2002	\$1,966.75
Receipts including...	5,498.59
• Membership Renewals	
• Coffee Donations	
• Video Rental	
Expenses:	
Operating Costs Including:	283.79
• Toilet Cost	
• Bank Charges	
• Meeting costs – coffee etc.	
Postage & Newsletters	72.51
Contest Prizes	239.20
Field Maintenance	599.20
Total Expenses	1,194.70
Ending Balance Jan 31/03	\$6,270.64
* Other Assets – Investment Funds	\$10,875.15
(Value as at Dec 31/02)	

* **NOTE:** The investment funds are divided into two funds for 2003 with a goal of keeping the balance safe and earning a some interest. Approximately half is in a Trimark Interest Fund and the other half is in a Guardian Monthly High Income Fund.



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Feb 4th Meeting Report – Roy Bourke – Society of Antique Modelers – WOW!

All I can say is WOW! What a presentation! Roy and some of his friends brought in at least a **dozen impressive models**



demonstrating the best that SAM can achieve. This talk and demonstration was a real treat for all the members who came to the meeting. Roy described the history of SAM and the evolution of the various classes of

competition. He talked about how the society has had to keep up with the times and create new and expanded classes. The spirit of SAM lives on through modelers like Roy and his contribution to the hobby.

By the way, take note of Roy's MAAC number! It's **204L!** That means that Roy has been around since the beginning of MAAC and has been honored with the Leader



Member classification. We are grateful to Roy for making the time to visit Humber Valley and hope he brings some of his impressive models to the field this summer. As is our policy, Roy was presented with an honorary club membership for 2003. Feast you eyes on these photos!

Roy and his 1938 Hornet (engine Super Hurricane). All Canadian design including engine.



Show and Tell at the March MeetingWin a jug of fuel!

Got a project under way? Show it to us and get a chance to win a jug of fuel! This is the last chance to win at Humber's Show and Tell before the May Beauty Contest. New builders... bring in your planes for safety checks and get a chance to win fuel too. What a club! We go all the way for you don't we!

Swap Meet Coming Up

The Aurora Model Aircraft Club is having a big swap meet on Sunday March 16th from 9am to 2pm. See the ½ page add near the front of the February MAAC magazine for details.

Houston – We have a Problem

... Field Officer's Report – Gary Del Bel Belluz

The enemy is at our gate! The amount of garbage outside the



field gates is increasing. The Parks Dept. is aware of the situation and plan to put "No Dumping" signs along the fence. The recent closing of the Keele Valley landfill may result in more illegal dumping in and around our field (Thakeray Park). An open gate is irresistible to someone cruising with a load of garbage. Please lock the gate after entering or exiting the

field. Our club does a great job keeping the area inside the park tidy. Let's all do our part to keep it that way. The new sign above has been posted on the gate.

Report on Winter Field Conditions

It was nice to see so many people at the field Feb 9th. Most days the only thing moving on top of the hill is our windssock. Field conditions continue to be good for both wheel and ski flying, just a thin layer of snow with no drifts. Please drive with extra caution on the gravel road. It was salted heavily prior to the winter fun fly but it is still covered with a thick crust of ice.

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