



Next Meeting is Tues March 5th at the Northwood Center @ 7:30pm

Here's how to get there: Travel on 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.* See <http://hvr flyer.tripod.com> if you need a map and feel free to bring a friend.

March 5th Meeting Program – Ken Manuel



Ken Manuel will be our guest speaker and give a talk and live demonstration on covering foam wings and fuselages with fiberglass and water based polyurethane. This is a unique covering method that Ken has

perfected. He will be doing the demo on one of the highly praised kits he produces and sells via his web site at <http://www.webhome.idirect.com/~manuel/>.

February 5th Meeting Report

Peter Sanidas and Phil Anderson from Avilus Micro Aviation Ltd. provided an interesting talk on how they got into the business of importing and distributing these tiny Hornet series of electric helicopters. The many members who attended enjoyed a live flying demonstration of the helicopter.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Mar 5th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March Winter Meeting • Humber's Dream Engine Raffle
Mar 12th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ground school class on Building and Equipment Installation
Apr 2nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April Winter Meeting
Apr 9th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ground School Class on Field Safety and Etiquette – mandatory for new members and students
May 7th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final Winter Meeting • Beauty Contest

For Sale

If you have something to sell, bring it to the March meeting. We will give you a chance to stand up at the meeting and announce your items.

Show and Tell – (and win a jug of fuel)!



Jamie's HUGE Dehaviland Beaver

The first show and tell was held at the February meeting and generated a lot of interest and discussion. Come and tell us about your project, (and get all the free advice you can take)! We want to see what you are working

on. It doesn't need to be a finished project. Tom Gottlieb won the jug of fuel at the last meeting.

Humber Valley's SPAD Building Project

The SPAD mass production building day was held at the Northwood Center as scheduled on Feb 17th. It was a



beehive of activity with 12 builders signing up for the project. Within 4 hours most participants had things well under way with full wings and fuselages

taking shape. Special thanks to David Plank who spear-headed this project and did all the organization. David obtained all the required materials. This went beyond the coroplast and PVC fuselage section. He provided wing spars, Home made pre-formed landing gear, firewall blocks, nylon ties, glue and priming compounds, and even the push-rods and clevises. David could go into business kiting SPAD airplanes! He spent a lot of hours putting this program together on behalf of the club and this investment will pay off in the summer when we see some real action at the field! Thanks also to Gary Del Bel Belluz, and Jon Holmes who had previously built SPADs and provided assistance to other builders.

Check out www.plasticconceptplanes.com to see a site selling SPAD kits and if you have a high speed connection, try playing the SPAD combat video. SPADs have been drawing a lot of attention lately on the web. ROnline has a forum on combat with lots of discussion on them. Apparently they don't fly well at all if they are even slightly tail-heavy, so watch out for that.

Dream Engine Raffle – OS .91 4 Stroke

OK People - this is it! The raffle for this amazing engine will be held at the March 5th meeting so if you haven't bought your tickets yet, you will lose out on this great opportunity to win. Don't forget you need to renew your membership to qualify for the draw.



"Adequate" Power

- 1) You must have renewed your 2002 membership to qualify for the draw.
- 2) You need not attend the March meeting to win. If your name is drawn and you are not in attendance, you will be called to collect your prize.
- 3) **There will be 3 prizes ONLY and they are:**
 - 1st Prize: OS .91 4 stroke engine
 - 2nd Prize: Great Planes CG machine
 - 3rd Prize: Jug of fuel
- 4) **Ticket prices are:**
 - \$2.00 each or
 - \$5.00 for 3 tickets
 - \$10.00 for 7 tickets



Don't delay. Buy early. Buy often to win! Don't forget that prizes for our raffles are sponsored by Hobby Hobby!



Thanks to Eric Siegele and Tony Phan

We are expecting to have another great season in 2002 thanks to the leadership, patience and unlimited time that Eric contributes to the club in support of the student instruction program. Eric is an excellent role model for other members in the club and he has inspired many students with his love for RC model flying. Eric has accepted the position of Chief Instructor, which is a position appointed by the club executive.

Tony Phan is an outstanding flyer and was out all last year to encourage students. Thanks to his close proximity to the field and his commitment to the club, he attended many many Wednesday and Thursday student nights - weather permitting.

These two individuals formed the core of our instruction program last year and we hope they will contribute again in 2002. Thanks also to the many other members who instructed last year whenever they could.

Call for Instructors

The instruction program is essential to our ability to attract new members and survive as a club. From the level of enthusiasm and support that we have seen so far, the executive feels we will attract more instructors and have an even better year in 2002. If you wish to get involved in instruction this year, speak to Eric or any of the club executives.

Winter Fun Fly Report - 2002



Tom revs up his Fun Fly

We all had a great time at this year's Winter Fun Fly. I can't remember the last time we had so many people show up! There were at least a dozen airplanes that flew successfully and Jon Homes, our Contest Director, provided hot dogs and hot chocolate. Our trusty old Bar-BQ did



Jon's Biplane on coke bottle skis

us proud for another season and Scott Kennedy's mom was nominated as

Humber Valley's official hot dog cooker of the year! There were at least 35 members and guests who enjoyed the day.



Jon's GeeBee SPAD ready to go

The weather was cloudy but only a light breeze and not much below 0° C. The limbo event was a great success this year with many successful participants. The following members were the lucky winners of prizes:

- Art Davis \$30 off his 2003 membership
- Marty Ellis Aviation History book
- David Plank Jug of fuel

More Discussion Wanted

We want to encourage more participation at the meetings. After all it's your club. So at the March meeting, we will again turn the floor over to any member who wants to make a comment on the club. Bring your ideas and suggestions to the meetings and speak out.

Patience and Caution

What is the most important thing you need to get your wings? Sure you need to learn a lot about building but it is patience and caution that you need to get through. That's right; you can't ever have too much of either.

Patience: Students who come to the field hoping to get in 3 or more flights will almost always be disappointed. There are just too many variables in play at the field and if you let these things bother you, you will never have a good time. I have come out to the field many times and not flown due to poor weather, poor instructor turnout, abundant student turnout, a missing screw, or a cautious instructor finding some little fault with a control surface or hinge. It's all part of the game, but if you have enough patience in you, you will still leave the field having learned something, relaxed a bit, and possibly made a few friends. If you leave feeling angry and frustrated, it will only serve to put more pressure on you the next time you come out, or it may discourage you from coming at all.

Caution: The caution comes in with how you handle your plane at the field, on the ground, and in the air. Safety is the one thing everybody at the club takes very seriously (at least we take something seriously), and it's one of the best things about Humber Valley. You don't have to be a **great** flyer to get your wings. You only have to be a **safe** flyer. Take your time setting up and starting your plane. Plan and execute actions carefully and deliberately. In the air, calm, cautious corrections and an understanding of what went wrong score higher with instructors than flawless flight execution. When I aborted approaches or takeoffs that didn't "feel" right or got confused about flight direction and figured it out, I started receiving praise, when I was expecting criticism. Don't worry, I got lots of criticism too.

The student program at Humber Valley does work providing you inject enough **caution and patience** into it. It can get you your wings and ensure that you still have a plane to fly when you do. Our instructors do an incredible job for the club and provide a gateway for new members wishing to join.

... Re-printed from *The Humber Valley Flyer*, November, 1998 written by Tom Gottlieb when he was a student.

Your Executive

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| President & Editor, Tom Gottlieb | (416) 781 3189 |
| Vice President, David Plank | (416) 763 0082 |
| Vice President, Gary Del Bel Belluz | (416) 741 8181 |
| Chief Instructor, Eric Siegele | (416) 482 3303 |
| Program Director, David Edwards | (416) 769 5243 |
| Contest Director, Jon Holmes | (416) 830 5373 |
| Assistant Prog Direct, Jon Holmes | (416) 830 5373 |
| Treasurer, Mark Painter | (416) 781 6861 |
| Field Officer, Mario Derosa | (416) 663 7271 |
| Librarian, Danny Hay | (905) 851 9928 |