

The Humber Valley Flyer

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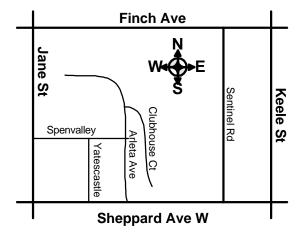


First Winter Meetings is October 2nd at the Northwood Center @ 7:30pm

Yes, it's that time of year again when you start to feel a chill in the air and the leaves start to show their wonderful fall colours. Our winter meeting program will start on October 2rd. For new members who may not know about it, the club holds winter meetings for all members every first Tuesday of each month from October through to May. This is a chance 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 or guest.

Here's how to the 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.



Summer Fun Fly Report

The summer Fun Fly was held on July 27th and was one of



the best Fun Flys ever with about 50 members and guests attending and at least 25 airplanes. The weather was hot, the wind was calm and the hot dogs and burgers were

delicious. Thanks to Jon Holmes who arranged all the food and Mark Painter who flipped burgers like a pro.

Prizes were arranged by Dave Plank and Jon Holmes and were enjoyed by all the winners. We saw some great flying too. Ken Manuel brought out his electric war birds and showed is some great competition combat flying.

Bernie Lehman made a great effort to fly his amazing Arrow but unfortunately our field grass was too much for the Arrow



to handle and it could not get up enough ground speed for take-off. The Arrow seems to need a paved runway or VERY short grass!

Marie Plank calls out the winners with Jon and Dave supervising to make sure everything is fair and square!

Jeff Shimo won the top prize – a new laser incidence meter. Prizes were sponsored by Hobby Hobby & Radio Controlled Sports & Hobbies



Tillv hat twins. Tom Gottlieb and Jeff Shimo

Oct 2nd Meeting Program Vacuum Forming and Jets with John Dutkoski

We are pleased to have John Dutkoski agree to speak to us at the October meeting. John is the Canadian manufacturer of a high quality line of ducted fan jets. His jets offer excellent handling characteristics, and relatively easy building procedures. If you've already built a couple of airplanes and are comfortable with fast, quick handling aircraft, then you're ready to step up to the excitement of electric ducted fan jets! to find out more, check out http://www.modelsbyjohn.com.

John will bring with him his new design Banshee Jet that will



be available as a new kit very soon. This jet features a wingspan of 37.5" and length of 44". Weight depends on your power system of course, but the prototype weighs 4lb, 8oz. The Banshee is made of polyester

fiberglass with lots of carbon fiber veil reinforcement. Fiberglass intake and thrust tubes. Wings are presently light and strong balsa sheeted foam core construction, but he may be making them composite items when he begins production.



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John will also be conducting a demonstration of easy vacuum forming techniques and will demonstrate his line of **Dura-Grit** products. **NOTE:** Some items will be available for sale too. **Don't miss this opportunity to see a great presentation at the October meeting!**

NOTICE: Our WEB site has moved!

Please note the address of our web site has changed to www.hvrc.org. Also, you may not be aware that Barry Collingwood has implemented a message forum on our club web site. This forum is a great way for members to keep in contact with each other, swap tips or ask questions. The site also has quite a good "For Sale" section, so visit the site to buy or sell your used equipment.

Best of all, the site DOES NOT have any of those annoying advertising pop-ups! Please visit the new site periodically and take part in the forum discussions.

Elections to be held at December Meeting

Once again it is time to elect a new executive for 2003. Please consider what you can do to help the club.

- Treasurer
- Field Officer
- Secretary

Is there an Accountant in the House?

In order to qualify for a grant of money from the Trillium Foundation to help us with the project of leveling the field, we need to be able to produce a financial statement of our club's operations for the last year. We need help!



If you know a friend or relative who is an accountant and could help us prepare a simple balance sheet and Income Statement, we would greatly appreciate your contacting any of the club executive. The job should only take a couple of hours as our books are very simple.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

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Oct 2 nd	1 st winter meeting. John
	Dutkoski speaks on Jets
	and Vacuum Forming
Nov 5 th	Winter Meeting

Sun Shelter a smash hit with members!

The club owes a vote of thanks to David Plank, Gary Del Bel Belluz and a cast of other volunteers who put in tons of hours at the field and built our wonderful shelter. The shelter has been enjoyed by all and so far has survived without any signs of vandalism as was feared last year.

Renewal Survey Planned

For the 2003 season renewals, we plan to ask you to fill in the frequencies you currently use. This will allow us to publish the list of heavily used numbers so that you will know which channels to avoid when buying new equipment. Hey – we're just trying to help out where we can!

Toronto Parks comes through for Humber!

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We wish to thank all the folk at Toronto Parks & Recreation who did a great job for us this year. There was one occasion when the lock was damaged and once the gate was bent out of shape but the maintenance guys had the problems fixed within days and we did not loose any flying time as a result. They were also very generous in supplying topsoil and gravel and graded to road for us this spring. We are fortunate to have the use of this great site!

Combat Report Part 1 - by Dave Plank

This summer's RC combat experiment at Humber Valley has worked out extremely well. Starting with open "C" class combat planes (.46 sized) the club held a succession of Sunday afternoon combat practices. These practice sessions demonstrated that the RCCA and MAAC combat safety rules work very well, and answered all safety concerns that were initially raised. Aside from safety issues, the combat sessions also demonstrated that RC combat is FUN FUN!



Fired by this success, and by Tibor Szekszardi's building of the Dave West MiG-7, a number of pilots also built the MiG-7,

which is legal for 2610 scale RC combat. While I was building my own MiG, I was in contact with Vic "Thunder" Cherneski, former chair of the MAAC open combat committee, and a leading figure in RC combat in North America. He urged us to come up with some combat nicknames, form a team, and come out to the "Battle over the Barn II scale combat meet" hosted by the Strathroy Flying Farmers.

Jon Holmes, Chuck Tatham and myself headed off to Strathroy on August 24th as the "Humber Valley Hawks". For a first event, with only minimal preparation, we did fairly well. Chuck distinguished himself, coming in 7th out of 15 pilots. Jon Holmes and I came in 13th and 10th respectively... but we all went home with the planes we came with, and so regarded our first tourney as a triumph! Watch this column for future updates on Combat events.

The Last Word -Tom Gottlieb

Hope you had a great summer of flying at Humber Valley. Don't miss out on the great fall weather and beautiful fall colours at the field. There's still lot's of good flying weather left. Here's something to think about.... If no one is in your way – you're probably not headed anywhere!

Your Executive