

OMFC Fliteline

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Oakville Model Flying Club
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Toledo 1999

The annual pilgrimage to Ohio took place a few weeks ago and there had to be at least 20 OMFC members down there. A number of us went down as a group which included Prez Eric, Rodger Young, Chris Kanski, Wayne McKee, Tim Deel and Andrew Orange. It was just as well we rented a large vanyou should have seen the stuff we brought back.

You do have to be careful with your purchases however, some stuff is much cheaper than at home, but not everything. Chris did a smart thing [it happens now and then]he took the East Coast catalogue with him and was able to pick out the real bargains! The selection of products and manufacturers is amazing!!! Jim Eichenberg was rumoured to be seen with a **very large** engine, so let's all watch out for this mother and let's keep that sound meter at the ready! Wayne McKee also purchased a very large engine and a **BIG** airplane kit.....I don't know why he didn't fly the thing home.

We all had a great time and laughed so hard we were all sore for a couple of days. One tip I would make however.....when going on these sorts of trips, don't bunk in with anyone [opposite sex excluded] no matter how much you may be tempted to save a couple of bucks.....one suffers considerably from sleep deprivation and sensory abuse to name but two concerns!

Well, our first "Annual Toronto Swap Meet" was pretty well attended for our very first multi club event. There were around 60 to 80 people in attendance and stuff was moving.....it's hard to say how successful it really was in terms of overall sales, but someone I did not recognize, walked off with a nice O.S .61 before I had a chance to grab it! Several planes were also sold.

It is hoped that interest in the swap meet will increase and that next year the event will be bigger and better !

At the meeting, Erik reminded people about the DeHavilland plant tour on April 25th. Please bear in mind that there are a limited number of seats available.....anyone interested should contact Rodger Young at 905-338-3879.

President's Message

As many of you know, the Web site has not been upgraded as reported earlier plus the e.mail Fliteline has not reached all e.mail addressees. We are having another go at fixing our Web site and, hopefully, we will be up and running sooner, rather than later. As a result of the e.mail system not working at 100%, we are going back to 100% direct mail, starting with this edition, until the problem can be rectified. We will let you know when these problems have been fixed.



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Upcoming Events

- **April 30 / May 1&2** : The Toronto Aviation and Aircraft show. OMFC participating! While primarily for full size private type aircraft, planes like the Extra 300 will be on display. Contact Bill Sigma for more info @ 827-6917.
May 22: OMFC Electric Fun Fly. This event will be run by John McNicol (Contest Director). Please contact John for details @ 821-9629.
- **June 12&13**: OMFC IMAC contest. This event will be run by Frank Pilih and Erik Genzer (Contest Directors). Please contact Frank @ 251-1619 and Erik @ 607-9675 for more details. This is an event where interest is growing and we want to encourage all members "to have a go!". Any aircraft can be used, even trainers types. There are no type or size restrictions and there are skill level contests to suit just about anyone with their "wings". Details of the "basic" routines will be made available at club meetings.
June 27: OMFC Airshow. This is our day to support the community/show the general public what our hobby is all about. Our food bank support helps lots of people and this helps our profile with city fathers. More details on this important event to follow.
- **July 2, 3, 4&5**: Canadian Nats.....1999 is the 50th Anniversary and will be held in Tillsonburg. It will be the largest Nationals in the history of MAAC!
- **July 31/August 1**: OMFC Pattern Contest. This event will be run by Jim Eichenberg (Contest Director). Please call Jim @ 849-9721 for more details.
August 7: Tri Club invitational fun fly at Bronte Creek field. This event, which took place at our North field last summer, was a huge success and the event promises to be even more fun in 1999! Don't miss this one.
August 28: OMFC Scale Model Rally and Barbeque. This event will be run by Mike McDermott (Contest Director). For 1999, we are hoping for a larger turnout of scale models and pilots, plus we will be offering free food and soft drinks to all attendees with or without a plane, so there will be no excuse not to come out and have some fun! More details to follow.

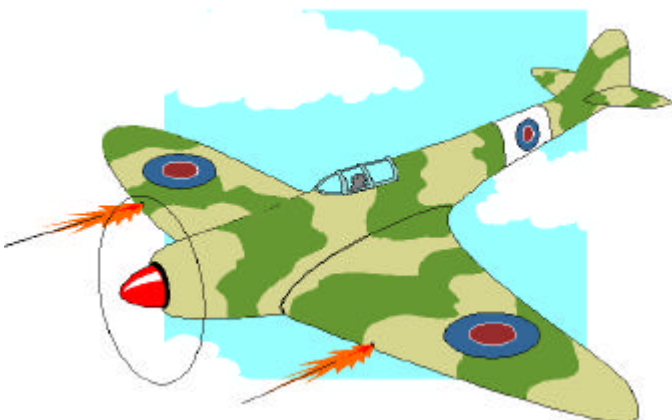
Happy Flying!

Cockpit Humour

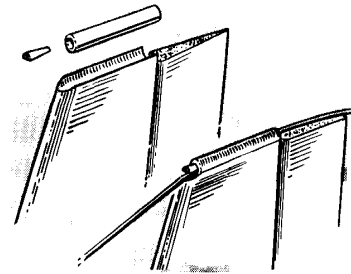


This month's jokes will be a bit different.....why not?

- Remarks overheard between Don Field and a recent “wings” graduate looking for some words of wisdom and encouragement just prior to the launch of his new aircraft : -
“ while you may be totally certain that you completely understand what you believe I said, what you think you heard is not what I meant.....but proceed accordingly ”.....
- Did you hear about the terrorists that hijacked a 747 full of lawyers? They threatened to release one every hour if their demands were not met.
- How do you stop a lawyer from drowning when his plane goes down in water? Shoot him before the plane hits the water.
- What is black and brown and looks good on a “ pilot” lawyer? A doberman.

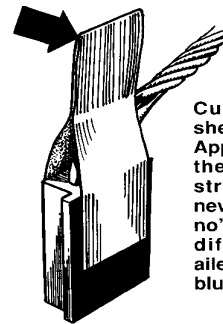


Modelling Tips



STREAMLINED ANTENNA MOUNT

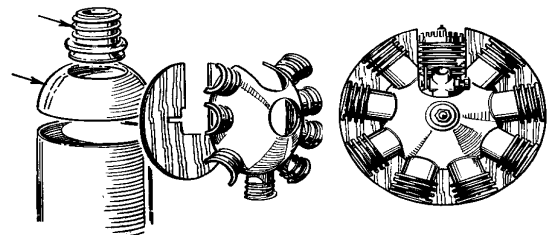
A piece of outer Nyrod glued to the top of the fin eliminates knots or rubber bands. Run the antenna through the tube, and secure it with a wedge from a split toothpick. The wire will still pull out in a crash. This neat method will work on round-top fins, too.
Kris Doub, Silver Lake, IN



SERVO PLUG TAB

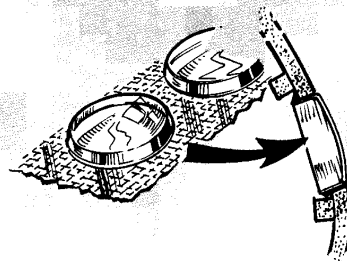
Cut strips of self-adhesive trim sheet as wide as your servo plug. Apply the ends of the folded strip to the sides of the plug to create a strong pull-tab so that you need never pull on the wires (that's a “no-no” anyway). Mark each plug with a different color, e.g., make the aileron servo red, the elevator servo blue, etc.

Michael Saponara, Flushing, NY



2-LITER DUMMY

To make a convincing dummy radial engine, trim a soda bottle as shown—shaping the dome to fit around the engine—glue it to a fuelproof plywood backplate/air baffle, and then glue the split necks into place to form the cylinders. Paint it, and add aluminum tube pushrods and plug leads.
Jeff Christie, Visalia, CA

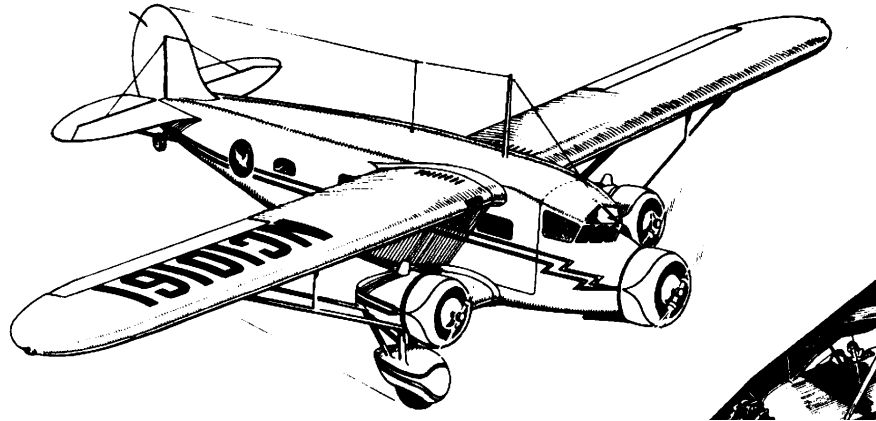


The new scale model called for a few molded “port holes” and this man found what he needed in the packaging of throat lozenges. Slightly tapered, the moldings pushed neatly through the sheeting from the inside.

Danny Thomas, Portage, Indiana

OMFC Monthly Contest Picture

As usual, free coffee and donuts to all who can identify the following.....Last month's was a Short Sunderland.



May Meeting.....Beauty Contest!

Well folks.....don't forgetit's almost that time of year again.....the time to show off that new aircraft. This is traditionally a great meeting and every year you all seem to produce better models. I want to wish all of you bringing aircraft the best of luck with your new "Pride & Joy". Meeting date **May 3rd**.

I have spent much spare time over the past couple of years building a Mk V111 Spitfire and am very pleased with it [I hope it flies as well as it looks.....perhaps I should say, I hope my flying skills are up to the task!]. I have really been looking forward to this meeting, but, unfortunately, I have to be out of the country and will not be able to attend. Hopefully, Bill Sikma will get lots of great photos for the Fliteline.

As I have some space to fill, I am including a picture of my previous show model [still my Pride & Joy], which suffered considerable damage last year but is now "on the mend". It's a FW 190 A8.



May Ground School Meeting

Notice to all Students.....Tuesday May 4th is the day to bring your aircraft to the school where your planes will be checked out by experienced pilots/builders. We all have to go through this process.....we all need this help when we first get into this wonderful hobby of ours. This is, of course, a necessary function to make sure that the aircraft will fly and respond to control inputs.....you would be amazed at how easy it is to overlook a reversed servo!

You will have fun and learn a lot, so come and enjoy!!!



Executive Meeting

In last month's Fliteline, we reported on the new Frequency Boards to be installed at our two flying fields.

The Field Managers have installed new boards / systems and the merits of both systems were reviewed at a recent meeting. As a result, the Executive is considering adopting the South field system for both fields. Whilst the South field system may mean a little more work for members [modifying the clothes pegs], safety really has to come first. Further discussions are taking place.

In the meantime, Larry Sheehan [South Field Manager] has prepared an exhibit/instruction for all people using the South field.....this is attached at the back of the Fliteline.

M.A.A.C has recently sent us recommendations for improving our field fencing for safety reasons.....this is probably in conjunction with the Insurance carriers. We will be looking into the matter going forward.

Closing Comments

1] Tim Deel recently purchased some fiberglass supplies from:-

SMITHCRAFT FIBERGLASS SUPPLY CENTRE
970 The Queensway 416-259-6946.

Tim felt he got a great deal and that anyone looking for supplies/information should give them a try. They are also on the Net @ :-

<http://webhome.idirect.com/~edd/smith.html>

Questions to:-

edd@idirect.com

2] WANTED O.S. .61

If anyone has a new/nearly new O.S. .61 they want to sell, please send me a fax or emailI will be away for a bit but will respond soonest.

3] As always, I enjoy hearing from you.....sorry about the email problems.....if anyone has not got a previous month's Flightline and wants one, let me know and I will send you a copy.

Happy Flying!

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FREQUENCY UPDATE

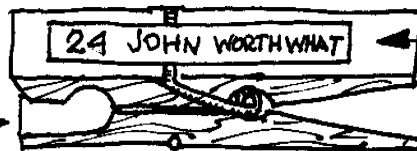
THESE FREQUENCY NUMBERS ARE NO LONGER FOR LEGAL USE AT O.M.F.C.

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NEW FREQUENCY BOARD WILL NOW REQUIRE AN UPDATED PIN SYSTEM

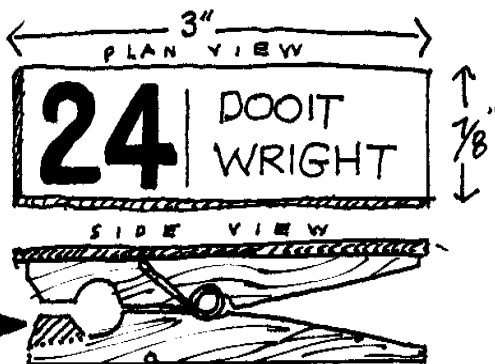
EXAMPLE

ACCEPTABLE



DYNA TAPE
NOT EASILY READ
SMALL LETTERS.

PREFERABLE



THIS PEG METHOD PROVIDES ABSOLUTE PROTECTION
 THE SLOTTED PEG CANNOT SHIFT TO AN INBETWEEN LOCATION!
 (I.E. IS IT ON CHANNEL 23 — 24 — OR 25 ?)