

OMFC Fliteline

The Newsletter of the
Oakville Model Flying Club
January 2002



2002 FROZEN FINGER FUN FLY

Once again this event was a complete success, even the good Lord pitched in and deliver some very nice weather. As can be seen from the picture above there are more crazy people in this club than you realize. One of these years we will have to get a head count. I can tell you that we went through quite a bit of coffee/tea /hot chocolate and four dozen hot dogs and buns, so there were more than one or two in attendance.

This year we had six pilots attempting to gain the distinction of first "official" flight of the year. There were more but that is another story. The pilots were, David Fallowfield, Kim Vasiliadis, Luis Peral, Alex Strzalkowski, George Zacal, and Stan Plausinis.

At exactly 12:00 Noon, the chief cook and bottle washer of this event, attempted to fire the start gun. Nothing happened. For the first time since this event had been formalized, "Old Betsy" had failed to perform. Digging back into his years of experience and knowledge of what to do in case of emergency the official starter yelled "GO" and the pilots started their engines.

The first aircraft off the ground was flown by George Zacal, (a student) assisted by Rodger Young. But George's engine died shortly after the plane lifted off. George glided to a safe landing at the edge of the field. Next off the ground was David Fallowfield, (Combat pilot extraordinaire) . David cleared the field and made the obligatory circuit and safe landing. David Fallowfield is awarded the distinction of having the first official flight of OMFC for 2002. Second off the ground was Kim Vasiliadis, assisted, as always by his brother Bill. This team invariably wins or places in the top three at this event. Third was newcomer to this event (not the club) Luis Peral. I do not think that Luis had a helper with him. It is quite an accomplishment to finish third in an event like this without assistance.

In addition to the happy stories that I reported on page one, I must also report some sad stories. The award for the "First Crash" of 2002, has been won by John Malley. John's Ugly Stick hit the ground with enough force to make it one of the most spectacular crashes this club has seen in quite some time. (Two months at least). I was talking to John at the last meeting and, believe it or not, the aircraft has been repaired and is flying again. That is quite a feat since the original aircraft was for all intents re-kitted. (It would have fit back into its original box.).

Stan Plausinis, receives the award for the first "Off Field" landing of 2002. Stan's engine stalled and for some reason he decided to land in the long grass between the school and the north end of our field. No damage was done to the aircraft.

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THE WINNER - DAVID FALLOWFIELD



DAVID'S TRUSTY "STEED"

OMFC Dates for 2002 Season

February	3rd, 2002	OMFC Annual Swap Meet, Sunday Morning 0900 to 1300H, Unit #13, 785 Pacific Rd., Oakville. (Eric Genzer) This will replace the Feb meeting.
March	4th, 2002	Regular Meeting 7:30 PM, Unit 13, 785 Pacific Rd, Oakville
April	1st, 2002	Regular Meeting 7:30 PM, Unit 13, 785 Pacific Rd., Oakville
May	6th, 2002 25th, 2002	OMFC Beauty Contest 7:30 PM, Unit 13, 785 Pacific Rd., Oakville 6th Annual OMFC Electric Fun Fly, (John McNicol) North Field
June	23rd, 2002	OMFC Annual Air Show. (Bob Zacharczuk) North Field.

NOTICE

Someone forgot a transmitter in the impound after the Frozen Finger Fun Fly. If you are missing one please contact Brian Anderson, at (905)826-3168 or email banderso@sympatico.ca. A description will be required to obtain the radio.

JANUARY MEETING - O.M.F.C.

This meeting was called to order by President Tim Deel, at 1953H, on the 7th January 2002.

Wayne Bransfield, President of M.A.A.C., was in attendance and addressed the Club. Wayne was pleased to announce that the "Canadian Nationals" competitions would be going ahead this year. At the present time the Nationals are being planned for the Regina, Saskatchewan area, using several fields in that area for the different events.

Wayne stated that he had some concerns with Item #9 of the OMFC constitution that was recently enacted by this club. He had been advised by Tim Deel, that this item was possibly mis-written and would be amended, if needed, to address MAAC concerns. Wayne went on to say that MAAC had been receiving calls from all over the place with reference to Oakville Model Flying Club. He advised the club members present, that the running of a club is not MAAC business, they do not have the time to get involved. A club elects an Executive and if the club does not like the way the Executive is handling things, then they should turf them. Wayne received a solid round of applause after his address.

Eric Genzer, took the floor to remind members that the next meeting would be the Annual Swap Meet. This meet is to take place on the 3rd of February (Sunday) at our regular meeting hall. Doors open at 9:00H exactly, and the event will go until approx., 1300H or longer if there is still interest. If you wish to have a table for selling items, see Eric. Tables are \$7.00 each and includes one admission ticket. Admission will be \$3.00 per person. Come out and sell your surplus to your neighbours.

Bob Zacharczuk, took the floor to advise the membership that he was going to be the point man for this years Air Show. The Show is scheduled for the 23rd of June 2002, at our north field. Bob went through some of the things that he needs to make this a successful event. (1) a good sound system, (2) a mobile bill board, (3) acts that can be flown during the show. I.e.: Air combat, Aero Tow, Electrics, War Birds, etc. (4) a zerox for leaflets. Bob went on to advise that this is a charity event and "Free" if good. The less we have to pay for the better. If you can help call Bob at (905) 845-3861 or email at, zach@ican.net

President Tim Deel, then ended the formal portion of the meeting and introduced our guest for the evening Don Wilson of "Don's Bass & Balsa Wood" 116 Main St. E., Grimsby, Ontario (905)945-5647. Don had brought a large selection of his wares and the meeting broke up into a social gathering for the members and some serious balsa purchasing. Don's prices were very good and any member wishing a price list should contact Jim Eichenberg.

FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR'S

The Chief Flying Instructor, Rodger Young, has requested that all "Flight Instructors" meet at his home on Monday the 4th of February 2002, at 7:30 P.M. The reason for this meeting is so that we can discuss and plan for this years O.M.F.C. Wings Programme. So bring your ideas as to how we can improve this programme.

Any members of OMFC, who have any ideas for improvement in this area are asked to contact Rodger Young at (905) 338-3879 or email rgyoung@cgocable.net, before the 4th of February. We have already received several suggestions from members and these will be discussed.

WORLD 2002 SCALE CHAMPIONSHIP
TILLSONBURG, ONTARIO
JULY 12TH - 21ST 2002

If you are not already aware, Canada will be hosting the World Championship for Flying Scale Models. In preparation for this, a large committee was struck, two years ago under the joint direction of Chuck Smith and Gerry Shaw. The committee persevered through some thick times and we are now down to the six month countdown. Everything is beginning to fall into place and we are now actively seeking volunteers to help run this event.

There are really two events held under the umbrella of World Scale. F4B which is Control Line and F4C which is Remote Controlled aircraft. Both of these events will take place at the Tillsonburg Airport just north of the town. The following is the unofficial breakdown of daily events.

- ◆ Wednesday, 10th of July, Field Set Up. Volunteers are needed to assist in setting up the airport for competition.
- ◆ Thursday, 11th of July, Field Set Up. Volunteers are needed to assist in this function.
- ◆ Friday, 12 of July, Finish the Set Up, & the arrival of some of the competitors.
- ◆ Saturday, 13th of July, Final Registration all pilots should now be in Tillsonburg. Draw for flight positions for F4B and F4C.
- ◆ Sunday, 14th of July, Static Judging of the Models begins for both F4B and F4C.
- ◆ Monday, 15th of July. Round One flying begins for F4C. F4B will have a practice day. Static Judging of the Models will continue for both F4B and F4C.
- ◆ Tuesday, 16th of July. Round One flying continues for F4C. Round One flying begins for F4B
- ◆ Wednesday, 17th of July. Round Two flying begins for F4C. Round Two flying begins for F4B
- ◆ Thursday, 18th of July. Round Two flying continues for F4C. Finals begin for F4B
- ◆ Friday, 19th of July. Finals begin for F4C.
- ◆ Saturday, 20th of July. Finals conclude for F4C. Closing Banquet in the evening.

The Flight Lines for F4B and F4C, requires a total of 30 volunteers to staff the various positions while the flights are in operation. F4B will be in operation from the 8:00H 16th of July until 18:00H on the 18th of July. F4C will be in operation from 8:00H, 15th of July until 18:00H on the 20th of July. It would be preferable to have the same volunteer doing the same job for the duration of the contest, but that is not practical. It would be appreciated if you could volunteer even one day.

To sweeten the pot a bit the organizing committee, is proposing to supply "primitive" camping facilities to volunteers. This camping will be at the airport. (Tents, Campers, 5th Wheels, & Mobile Homes). Consideration is also being given to arranging "billets" for volunteers in the Tillsonburg area. What is know is that volunteers will receive a lunch on site. In addition to the above, it has been proposed and approved that some of the equipment used in this event be donated to Clubs, who's members attend as volunteers. This equipment would range from 10 X 20 shelters to flag poles. Distribution would be by way of a draw.

So check your calendar and fill out the application form below, advising where you would like to work and which days you could work. Forward it to me, (Jim Eichenberg (905) 849-9721, jeichen@idirect.com, 1316 Gainsborough Dr., Oakville, Ontario L6H 2H5) Upon receipt I will forward them to Dennis Pratt, Volunteer Coordinator. It is Dennis's job to fit the volunteers into any vacant slots that are available. If you want to work at the World's, you must go through this procedure, "walk-ons" on the day of a event will not be accepted.

VOLUNTEER APPLICATION													
2002 Scale World Championships													
Tillsonburg, Ontario July 12 - 21, 2002													
Name _____,				Address _____									
E-mail _____				Telephone _____									
Position wanted:		Circle two:		Administration.		Ground Crew		Bar		Security			
				Gate		Runners		Score Keeper		Flight Line			
		Maintenance		Media Helper		Airport Greeter		Driver		Interpreter			
Days Available (Circle) 10th 11th 12th 13th 14th 15th 16th 17th 18th 19th 20th 21st 22nd 23rd													