

OMFC Fliteline

The Newsletter of the
Oakville Milton Flying Club
May/Summer 2007



Opening Comments

Well folk's, you know I always open with a cartoon.....if you had watched this group in action putting up this sign, you would have seen a "great cartoon" in action. The various stages of construction of this sign have been documented for posterity by John McNicol and the pictures are included herein.

Regardless of the fiasco, the new OMFC sign is pretty neat. [Brian, it's starting to lean in already!]

While talking about the North Field, something happened in the early summer that disturbed and disappointed yours truly. I was sitting on my duff watching two members greeting each other and having a chat. I did not know one of the members. The member I did not know proceeded to take off and was flying almost over his head and was "inboard" of the white perimeter poles set at each side of the field. After watching this for a while, I sauntered down to the member I knew and suggested he might like to remind his friend that the flight line is seven meters out from the fence where we are supposed to fly and also to remember to fly outside of the white perimeter poles. His response astounded me....."I don't know him that well and it's not my job to talk to him". I think very highly of this member and was caught off guard by his response. Essentially, he suggested that as I was on the Executive, it was my job to remind the flyer about the Club and MAAC rules.

So, I had a chat with the errant flyer and all was well. However, after sitting down for a while, I started to get agitated and went back to the member I knew and told him that I was disappointed with his reaction and that it is up to all of us to police ourselves; it is a **requirement** for all of us to make sure we all follow Club and MAAC rules. It's too easy to get sloppy which is when things can go badly wrong. I have one Club member who twice had to yell at me this year for not putting my radio back in the impound after each flight [he does it so well and so politely....don't you Dave!].

So members, for the sake of "your Club".....if you see something/someone performing/behaving contrary to Club or MAAC rules..... it's up to you to do something about it yourself, don't wait to tell an Executive member.....it could be too late. Obviously, if you confront a member and he tells you to "stuff it".....then the Executive will get involved.

We hope you are enjoying the great summer even though it's been a bit breezy at times.

May Meeting

Don advised that it would a quick meeting due to the "Beauty Contest".

Don thanked everyone who turned up for the Cogeco TV filming for a future RCTV 30 minute TV show.

As we all know, there are continuing problems with the South Field. The new tenant farmer has a bee in his bonnet with the Field and Don is negotiating with the farmer and Great Gulf to try to resolve the issue. In the meantime, everyone should "please" stay away from the field. Lots of stuff is going on and questions from the floor note the level of frustration with members who want to use the Field.

Don advised that we would have a raffle later; items include fuel, cutters, glue and some ball headed socket screwdrivers.

Don thanked Jack Devito for all his work in getting the club jackets and shirts made and delivered.... thanks Jack!!

The Construction in Full Swing



Bill seems to be eyeing Jim’s post while Brian is lending a finger to hold Bill’s post and focus his attention on who knows what out in left field.



Daniel is “swinging”..... one leg on the truck tail-gate, the other on the gate while Jim and Bill appear totally unconcerned. Everyone else wisely took off!!



Now it’s up, let’s start measuring??????????

May Meeting Cont’d.:

As this is our last meeting before October, Don reminded everyone about the Club’s planned summer activities starting with the Air Show in June. Don also wished everyone a happy and safe summer!

Bob Zak took the floor.....still looking for volunteers for the Air Show.....please come up front during the break and put your name on the list.

Brian Anderson took the floor.....six new students have enrolled, so we should have ten or more at the start of the season. Don’t forget Flight School starts on May 22nd.

Turning to the Beauty Contest.....good turn out; the classes will be Novice, Sport and Scale. Jim Eichenberg wanted to know if Dave Slote’s great looking scale model Beech Staggerwing was truly scale.....????.....sometimes you gotta worry about this guy.....you could maybe understand it if he actually ever entered a contest. Some wag [I think it was also Jim Eichenberg.....again] wanted to know if we should allow the electric intruder [John McNicol] to participate..... [lot’s of boo’s].

Photos are on the next page, but the winners were!!!

Categories

Sport

Andy Sulkowski

Scale

Dave Slote

Novice

Marc Auger



Congratulations!!!

Beauty Contest



Get em young!



Andy Sulkowski



Dave Slote



Marc Auger



Very nice Chipmunk!



This is the Dark Lord Special.....son of the Lucas.... Prince of Darkness!

Photos Courtesy Steve Goldring. Thanks Steve

RCTV Filming Day



Action !

Lights !

Camera!



Thanks to everyone who took part. RCTV will be showing the program this Fall and we will advise when the dates are confirmed. There were interviews, a segment on training and a few models were filmed in flight, even the electrics got some "air time". Aero-tow and gliding were also included. By general consensus, Frank Pilih did the best interview on this subject.... well done Frank!!



Wait till you see Jim Eichenberg on film..... looks like his teeth are stuck together and his smile or grimace is frozen.....wonderful.



Summer Activities

Following the May meeting, the South Field gyrations continued. Finally, Great Gulf agreed to allow us to have a direct lease with them so we were free and clear to fly again. Unfortunately, we were asked not to make any improvements to the property, so our planned road improvements are on hold indefinitely.

The Mall Show, Air Show, Electric Fun Fly, Pattern Contest and Glider Aerotow events all seemed to have gone off well and, hopefully, the Contest/Event Directors will prepare reports for Fliteline sometime soon.

It sure was a hot summer and the Fields were well and truly used. The flight training went well although, on many a night, we had more instructors than students. A proper report on this will follow in a later Fliteline.

Closing Comments

Our first meeting will be on Monday, October 1st and the Cogeco RCTV 30 minute program on the Club will be shown. See you all there!!!



The above collision sequence was sent in by Manny Eiberger.....The aircraft in picture 3 hit the aircraft in picture 1, and picture 2 is a close up of the tail section of aircraft 1. You wonder how they can still fly!



How's this for camouflage!

That's all folks!!

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OMFC Event Dates for 2007/8

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Contact Person</u>
TBA	TBA	TBA

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Monday, October 1	Regular Meeting	Don Wilding
Monday, November 5	Election Night for 2008 Executive	Don Wilding
Monday, December 3	TBA	
Monday, January 7	TBA	
Monday, February 4	TBA	
Monday, March 2	Sunday - Swap Meet	Erik Genzer
Monday, April 7	TBA	
Monday, May 5	TBA	