

OMFC Fliteline

The Newsletter of the
Oakville Model Flying
Club

November 2004

November 1 OMFC Meeting Highlights

The President called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Any new or returning members were welcomed to the meeting.

Jim Eichenberg spoke to the membership about some new MAAC Safety rules coming into effect in January. The biggest change is field layout and there will be some small changes to the parking and sitting area of our South Field. The South Field manager and Jim have measured the South field and parking areas and will make some minor changes next spring before the flying season begins.

Signs will be made up and posted at the South Field to show flyers and spectators where they are allowed to park and view flying. Our North Field already meets the minimum requirement. The new safety code can be viewed at http://www.maac.ca/documents/doc_safety_code_e.pdf and I urge all members to read the new code. The club will be enforcing these rules in the new year.

Onslaught Over Oakville MMIV

This year's OoO was the first WW2 scale combat match out of 4 held in the So. Ont. contest season. It attracted 17 pilots from the London, Toronto and Barrie areas.

Three heats of 6/6/5 flyers over 5 rounds made for a nice average of a heat going up every 15 minutes. As CD and Line Marshal (tower control), I felt like the Air Control Officer on the Aircraft Carrier Drumquin !

It was a cool, windy/blustery day. The blue sky with slow moving white/grey cumulus clouds made for a perfect backdrop. The North wind made for easy hand launches. It was best to launch after a gust (up to 40 km/hr !) had passed by. The terrain around 'the Ravine from Hell' created a lot ground turbulence which seemed to throw everyone's aim off at first.

The pilots soon got their 'guns sighted' and the streamer points started adding up. Towards the end there were a lot of 'one streamer left' battles. There was some really great defensive flying, with 4/5 attacking planes coming in from every angle ! Great flying, and Fun to watch. The sight of WW2 fighters 'dogging' it out in an air battle is quite the spectacle !

There were 4 midair's. Half the planes landed/deadsticked on the field. Everything was recovered, minus one battery pack, MIA. The fifth round ended at 3:30. While the points were added up there was a WW1 combat demo flown. An Albatross and two Fokker D-7s had fun battling the wind as well as each other !

1st. Alex'Midair'Plarina (London), 2nd. Gary'Bent'Del Bel Beluz (Toronto)

3rd. Dave'SideSlip'Plank (Toronto)

The points were very close. If the 8th place pilot had managed one more cut(100pts), he would have been in 3rd ! Fourteen year old Josh Pegg from London was 4th last year in his very first combat match. He managed 5th this year. Sixty year old 'Baron Von' Diezenbach from Barrie got 4th place this year...in his first combat match !

A great time was had by all. The scale combat pilots are a great bunch of pilots to have flying fun with. We have an 'air show demo routine' that now includes 'ground attacks' (balloon bursting) that will be available for the OMFC Air show. I hope an OoO-V will be even more fun in 2005. Take care, have fun,

Dave 'crosscheck' Fallowfield

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Points of Interest

- The Frequency Board at the South Field has been removed for the winter. Please use caution when flying at the South Field. The road will be closed once the weather changes for the worst. Please park at the top of the hill and walk your stuff down if you must fly there.

While Jim was up he also had Brian present the Beauty Contest winners with their award from the May Beauty Contest.



Ron Roselann-Barnes, Novice

Helmut Schmitter, Sport

John Wright, Scale

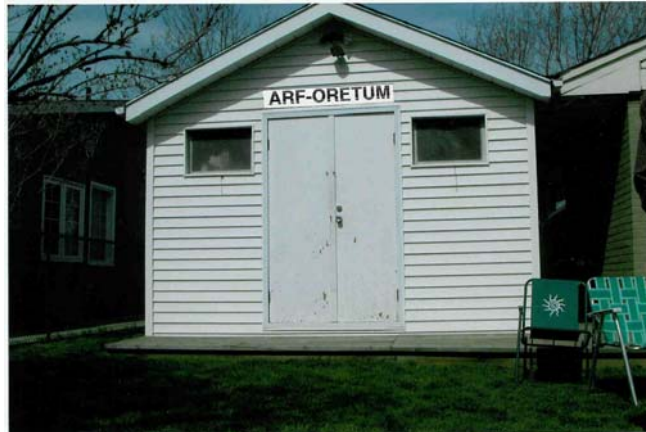
Wayne McKee, our illustrious CFI, came forward to present the Wings and Certificates to those newly winged pilots present.



Bruce Lawton, John Pretty, Katie Charity, Bruno Reitmeier, Wayne McKee CFI

The following members received their wings in 2004 but were not present to receive their goodies: Fred Hannah, Adam Curran, Adam Foreman and David Dadd, Jr. They can receive their wings certificate at any meeting in the future.

The Brian Anderson Arf-Oretum



Presidents Report

I have been a volunteer on many different executives for the last 46 years and I have never worked with a finer group of people.

Some one asked me what my successes were this year.

A CEO of a major firm once told me that if I want to be successful then I should surround myself with good people, well thanks to the members of this club that is exactly what happened last year at this time. My biggest success was having the right people surrounding me.

Without the full support of all the Executive Members, Contest Directors and the membership, we would not have put on the many contest that we did, had such a successful flight school (thanks Wayne Mckee and Don Wilding for being Pit Boss!) or have been able to go to the North or South Field anytime and find them so clean and ready for flying (thanks Dan Morgan and Frank Pilih). We could not have read about all our club activities if it weren't for our excellent Flightline and Web Site (thanks Jody McConnell and Burt Armstrong).

The Air Cadets would have missed us (thanks Tim Deel) and what about the effort being put forth to find a new field for us (thanks Mike McDermott). If you attended any of our contest's or fun events, then you know about the food that was prepared by Don Wilding as well as his coffee and donuts at our meetings. Let's not forget about the money our club has to do what we do and at the same time, saving some for a rainy day. We are lucky to have a treasurer like John Ross (thanks John).

I would also like to thank the many members who volunteered to help at as many functions as they were able to. Without your help all of our activities would have been much more difficult, if not impossible.

Now last but not least how about the guy that I like to tease the most. Let me clarify that most of my kidding was in retaliation, but one thing I can't kid him about is the amount of support that he gave me. It didn't seem to matter what was required. If I asked, he was there. There is an old saying; if you want something done, give it to a busy person. Well, this guy has been the busiest person in the club for years and as our Vice-President he was a major help to me and the Executive with his work ethic, support and advise. I would like to especially thank Jim Eichenberg.

It has been my pleasure the past two years to work on your behalf and I look forward to a bright future with this club.

Brian Anderson



Annual Meeting

There were no changes to the OMFC Constitution.

Brian Anderson took the podium to conduct the election process.

All positions were filled by acclamation.

The new executive appointed the Web Master and the CFI at the November Executive meeting.

This will be my last Official Fliteline and I want to thank you, the membership, for trusting me to this position and my new position of Vice President. I will do my best to represent this club well!

Jody McConnell

Your 2004/2005 OMFC Executive is:

OMFC Executive 2004/2005 (effective Dec 1)

President:	Jim Eichenberg	North field Manager:	Dan Morgan
Vice-President:	Jody McConnell	South Field Manager:	Frank Pilih
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OMFC Dates for the 2004 Season

Dec	6	Regular Meeting OMFC , Unit 13, 785 Pacific Rd. Oakville. 7:30 PM
Jan	1	Frozen Finger Fun Fly , North Field (Drumquin Park). 12:00 PM
Jan	3	Regular Meeting OMFC , Unit 13, 785 Pacific Rd. Oakville. 7:30 PM
Feb	6	OMFC Swap Meet , Unit 13, 785 Pacific Rd. Oakville. 9:30 AM
Mar	7	Regular Meeting OMFC , Unit 13, 785 Pacific Rd. Oakville. 7:30 PM
April	4	Regular Meeting OMFC , Unit 13, 785 Pacific Rd. Oakville. 7:30 PM
May	2	OMFC Beauty Contest , Unit 13, 785 Pacific Rd. Oakville. 7:30 PM