

OMFC Fliteline

The Newsletter of the
Oakville Model Flying Club
October 2002

WINTER IS A COMING!

O.M.F.C 7th ANNUAL AIR SHOW

Despite the oppressive heat and humidity, a sizeable crowd came out to enjoy the show on June 23. In return for donations of 680 pounds of food and \$270.00 in cash to assist the Fare Share Food Bank, these good people were treated to a great show. (It should be noted that over the 7 years, the totals provided by the show are: 8 500 pounds of food, \$2170.00 in cash.) In addition, the spectators availed themselves to nosh and beverages provided by the folks of S.A.L.T.

This year's show started about a ½ hour earlier than in previous years, but the show proper still didn't finish until about 3 o'clock. By the time the post show instructor assisted demonstration flying was over, it was pushing 5 o'clock.

Work on this year's show started in late winter when Don Wilding and I began meeting to start planning. As usual, a major concern was publicity for the show (for free is always good). This year we were able to get blurbs in the Toronto Star, The Oakville Beaver, The Oakville News and The North News (it was heartening to receive e-mail enquires as a result of these items.) as well as mentions on at least one local radio station. We also had an attractive redesigned flyer and a billboard at the corner of Trafalgar and Iroquois Shore Roads. (We did get an offer to appear on CITY TV's Breakfast Television provided, on about one day's notice, that we show up at their studios in downtown T.O. at 6:00 A. M. and fly in their parking lot.....Anybody want to work on this one for next year?)

One of the keys to staging this event are the efforts of those behind the scenes and so, many thanks to:

- ◆ Don Wilding for his unstinting yeoman service in dealing with any number of issues such as: arranging for production of the flyers (in turn ,our gratitude to his son), arranging for expanded comfort facilities, making and placing the letter signs, contacting the broadcast media. A true factotum.
- ◆ Dan Morgan for his advice, archives, generator, and help in preparing the grounds .
- ◆ Jim Eichenberg for his advice and infinite patience.
- ◆ Andrew Orange and Mike Philp for their skills and enthusiasm in setting up and operating the sound system.
- ◆ Bert Armstrong, Tim Deal, Brian Anderson, Rodger Young for choreography, announcing, commentary and performance coordination. (Not an easy task when you're not completely sure who was going to fly until about an hour before the show)
- ◆ Dave Cullen for getting out the trainers for the post show flying.
- ◆ Dino, Don, Ken , Terry, Percy for help with the grounds , parking lot and whatever else had to be done.
- ◆ Constable Shane Crawford of the Halton Regional Police for arranging distribution of a couple of thousand flyers through the youth programs.
- ◆ To all the members who took the trouble to distribute flyers in their workplace and neighbourhoods

The other major component of the show is, of course, the flying performances and this year, as usual, we had great ones. Kudos and thanks to all those who flew their planes, flew other people's planes, contributed planes or offered but were grounded by gremlins.

Jim Eichenberg, Frank Pilih, Ivan Kristensen, Wayne McKee, Carry Adams, Vince Watkins, Helmut Schmitter, Dave Fallowfield (and his wild and krazee combat crew), John McNicol and the electric guys, Mike McDermott, Mike Ross, Rodger Young, Larry Sheehan, Tom Kalina , Manny Eiberger, Chuck Barsony (Brantford), the Ernstburger clan (Seaton Valley), Jon Boyd and Austin Taylor and their rockets .

OMFC 2000/2001 Executive

President:	Tim Deel	North Field Manager:	Vince Watkins
Vice President:	Brian Anderson	South Field Manager:	Frank Pilih
Past President:	Erik Genzer	Social Director:	Andrew Orange
Chief Flying Instructor:	Rodger Young	Field Acquisition Manager:	Mike Ross Wayne McKee
Secretary Treasurer:		Fliteline Editor:	
John Ross		Jim Eichenberg	
1339 Grosvenor Street		1316 Gainsborough Drive	
Oakville, Ontario		Oakville, Ontario	
L6H 3L4		L6H 2H5	
(905) 845-8789		(905) 849-9721	
		E-mail: jeichen@idirect.com	

OMFC Web Site: <http://www.omfc.org>

Every year, as noted on page One, & Three, the Oakville Model Flying Club is involved in a intensive effort to put on a Air Show, to benefit the Oakville Food Bank and to showcase the Sport/Hobby of R/C Modeling. We are now starting to plan for the 8th Annual Air Show. The first thing that is required is someone to "Ramrod" the whole effort. This year it has been decided to involve the Executive of the club to assist who ever takes on the task of putting this show together. Hopefully the "Director", will no longer be a voice crying in the wilderness but he will have a captive group that are dedicated to helping him/her plan the Air Show. So if you think that you can assist the club on this very important endeavor, contact any of the Executive members and volunteer. An Advertising or Public Relations background would be invaluable. The flying is by far the easiest part to arrange,

OMFC Dates for 2002/2003 Season

November	4th	Annual General Meeting of OMFC, 7:30 PM, Unit 13, 785 Pacific Rd., Oakville. Constitution Changes/Election of Officers/Membership Fees Increase?
December	2nd	Regular Meeting of OMFC, 7:30 PM, Unit 13, 785 Pacific Rd., Oakville. Workshops on Building/Covering/Engines/Electric Flight/Fiberglass, etc., If you have a model that requires balancing, bring it out. Engine need new bearings?. Bring it and the bearings.
January	6th	Regular Meeting of OMFC, 7:30 PM, Unit 13, 785 Pacific Rd., Oakville Talk on the (full size) Fairy Firefly, by Keith Houston of this club.
February	2nd	SUNDAY. Annual OMFC Swap Shop. Time to be announced
March	3rd	Regular Meeting of OMFC, 7:30 PM, Unit 13, 785 Pacific Rd., Oakville. Tony Kreg, will give a presentation on Scale Aerobatics.
April	7th	Regular Meeting of OMFC, 7:30 PM, Unit 13, 785 Pacific Rd., Oakville It is hoped to have a presentation on Turbine engines.
May	5th	Annual Beauty Contest OMFC, 7:30 PM, Unit 13, 785 Pacific Rd., Oakville.

To end, I would like to list, in no particular order, some of the things that stick in my memory (when I was able to pay attention):

- ◆ The heat
- ◆ Carry's P-47 and Vince's P-51 beating up the field with victory rolls and high speed passes to the sounds of Glenn Miller. (This combination apparently brought back some memories for an older couple.)
- ◆ The flight line display . There were some really gorgeous models for people to admire and photograph, the most spectacular probably being Knox Hawkshaw's magnificent 18 foot yellow PBY (which alas did not fly).
- ◆ Snoopy, the lawnmowers and the witch
- ◆ Ivan's jaw dropping performance with the big, yellow 40 % CAP. A lot of people thought Ivan had lost it when he snapped into a knife edge immediately after takeoff. (I was assured that this was part of the act.
- ◆ The electrics buzzing around like a swarm of hornets.
- ◆ Jim and Frank's skilfully coordinated take off and release, followed by Frank waltzing his big, beautiful 4 metre (that's about 12 feet for non techies) sailplane to the strains of the E.T. Flying Theme. (One lady wanted to know how long it took Frank to coordinate his manoeuvres to the music. Yeah Frank, How long did it take?)
- ◆ The organized chaos of the combat flying
- ◆ The wild gyrations and near disasters of the trainers during the post show flying with cries of " Left,,Right,, Up ". One doesn't realize how good our instructors are until you see them during these sessions.(My special thanks to Wayne from keeping my beat up Skyward 40 from getting even more beat up.)

If I have inadvertently omitted mentioning anybody else who contributed in any way to the show, I apologize and again extend my thanks.

Bob Zacharczuk

6TH ANNUAL OAKVILLE ELECTRIC FUN FLY

This event was held on the 2nd of May, 2002, at the North Field (Drumquin Park). Approximately 40 modelers registered from all over Ontario plus a few from Michigan and New York state.

The day was cold and a 25 to 30 kph wind forced participants to fly only those models controllable in high winds. Many interesting designs remained unflown. In spite of this, most registrants managed to have a good time flying until it was ended about 3:00P.M. by the threat of precipitation.

The Ontario Electric Modelers Association fun flies are usually a showcase for new designs, new products and the members latest scale efforts such as Doug Moore's magnificent Lancaster. The technological advances in brush less motors was evident everywhere. The presence of several planes capable of flying the new 3-D acrobatics, where sustained vertical performance is necessary, showed that the pace of development in Electrics shown no sign of abating.

John McNicol, was unable to be present to run the fun fly and asked me to stand in for him that day. He assured me that the group of club members who normally assisted him would run the event flawlessly and that all I would need to do would be to be present to handle any unforeseeable problems that might occur. I would like to tell the members that these fellows did a fantastic job, as John said they would, one that made me proud to be a member of the Oakville Model Flying Club.

Jack Linghorne

OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING

At 19:47H, on the of October 2002, President Tim Deel, called the meeting to order. Tim advised that Peter of Oakville Hobby and Craft is getting out of the Remote Control end of the business. He is selling off all the R/C supplies in one lot. If you are interested see Peter. (*Editors note: Wayne Wolyshen of Wings & Things has advised that his new store is now open in the Battleford Mall, on Erin Mills Parkway at Battleford. This Hobby shop used to be in Brampton, and carries a complete line of R/C supplies.*)

Tim offered an apology because he wasn't around very much this year. Between a strike and personal

matters, Tim has had his hands full. He thanked the Executive for covering for him.

John Ross, the Treasurer, reported that we are 30 members short of our total for 2001. Expenses are a bit lower but we do not have the field bills as of yet, so he really doesn't have a bottom line.

Rodger Young, the Chief Flying Instructor, advised that we had a terrific year with the Flight School. We graduated 15 pilots, including some who have been in the school for a number of years. The Instructors did a very good job. David Fallowfield remarked that they must have been doing a good job because he did not receive one call for assistance setting up aircraft or engines. Rodger advised that because of the "Certificate of Air Worthiness" the planes flew better. We were averaging 50 + flights a night, under the direction of Richard Els (Attila the Hun of the North Field) Richard was there for every secession with the exception of the first two. Richard's evil twin Brian Anderson ran those nights. Thanks was also given to the "Winged" pilots at the South Field as they went out of their way to help the students.

Brian Anderson, advised that he had a meeting with officials of Milton Parks & Rec. to finalize the lease for Drumquin Park. Everything in that area is moving smoothly. It is still not know, whether or not we will have to move in the near future. We have been assured of the assistance of the Town, should we have to move.

Henry Vanderbeek, reported on the Oakville Air Cadets. We are taking over the building program that, Dick Fahey and the Burlington Club ran for years. We need 6 people to make up 3 teams of 2 persons in order to fill our mandate on this project. We would need the volunteer every Monday night through the Fall/Winter/Spring. President Tim Deel, explained the history of this project. David Fallowfield and Don Wilding advised that they were both interested and would talk to Henry. If you are interested in a very worthwhile project please contact Henry or any member of the Executive.

Tim reminded all members that the meeting next month is the Annual General Meeting of the Club. There will be an election of Officers of the Club, and votes on changes to the Constitution and By Laws. The membership in attendance were advised of the following changes/motions that will be brought to the floor next month.

Motions under Standing Resolutions:

2A.- Resolved that the Club Initiation Fee be \$50.00

This motion will increase the Initiation Fee from \$30.00 to \$50.00 for all new members or for persons who have not been a member for the last two years. The initiation fee is used to offset the cost of running our flight school as the majority of new members require "Wings" training.

During discussion Tony Kreg, put forward and alternative/amended resolution to the above.

2E - Resolved that members in the "Wings" program pay a fee of \$20.00 per year for the program.

This motion would leave the initiation fee at \$30.00 and charge students \$20.00 per year for the Flight School. This would take us into an area that OMFC has been avoiding for several years. Ie: Charging for Flight Instruction. It would also create a problem for the CFI around the collection of the fee, and who should be charged. Ie: a Winged pilot from another club who just needs some remedial flights.

2B - Resolved that the dues payable by the commencement of each membership year be as follows:

Junior Member (Under 18 as of January 1st) — \$25.00

Open Member (Age 18 or Over as of January 1st) - \$70.00

Family Membership - \$95.00

This motion would increase the Open and Family memberships by \$10.00 per year. The Treasurer reports that he is estimating that we will just break even this year, but we should have additional funds so that we can move forward. It has been five years since the last increase and he is trying to go with a small increase now as opposed to a greater increase later. The Treasurer also advises that if the increase is approved, it will come into effect on the 1st of January 2003. Anyone paying before that date will pay the 2002 rate.

"The November meeting is the biggest meeting of the year for OMFC. This is where the decisions are made that will effect this Club into the future. If you are interested in aero modeling at all, you should attend this meeting to ensure your wishes are being taken into consideration." - Editor