



The News Letter of the Burlington Radio Control Modelers Club

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Charlie Chomos takes the prizes!

Charlie has been a member of the Vintage Radio Control Society for some 12 years and at the Labour Day reunion this year, Charlie was proud to receive the first three awards for showing and flying his 10 year old replica of the 1949 Rudder Bug designed by RC pioneer Walter A. Good.



(Above) Note the 9' antenna and the ground base "Telecommander" 2 Watt vacuum tube transmitter. The Rudder Bug has only one channel with control of the rudder being by escapement. (For those of you who don't know what that is, ask Charlie!) The receiver is an early OS solid state device of 1963 vintage.

The model has a span of 64" (scaled down from the original 74"), the engine is an OS 25 swinging a 11 X 3 prop.

(Right) Charlie with his trophies:

- 1st for best overall vintage model (kit of the Contender)
- 2nd for spirit of vintage (plaque)
- 3rd for technical achievement (plaque)

Thursday, October 24th.

Turbines!

**Kevin McLeod & Ed Miedzybrocki
will talk about ducted fans and
turbines - including miniatures.**

Editorial

This edition is a bit late. I have had unbelievable equipment problems compounded by a certain reluctance on my part to get off my rump and get stuff done. However, I hope this edition will arrive in time to remind you of the next meeting.

Turbines! The very word is exciting to me and I am looking forward to learning about the latest developments in this field. I understand that Kevin will show us a miniature turbine which produces thrust equivalent to that produced by a 40 sized glow engine.

As if to illustrate the enormous variety of interests within our hobby, we have our very own Charlie Chomos, a member of the Vintage Radio Control Society, flying an escapement controlled antique model in pristine condition. What a contrast with fully proportional, multi-channel, programmable radios of today!

Finally, we have Eric Palmer challenging one and all to take him on in combat. He'll even supply the fighting equipment.

What a wonderful hobby we have; always something new happening and seldom a dull moment.

Cheers, Lawrence.



Combat Fans

This from Eric Palmer:

Hi: as you regular fliers have seen Peter and I have been flying a little informal combat on Sunday afternoon. Is anyone else interested? I have procured coreplast and downspout material with an eye towards producing a combat ARF. These planes will come with tails attached, firewall mounted by screws, a complete wing with control surfaces cut free, rubberband crush guards installed and wing dowels cut to size. You supply control horns rods and clevises, fuel tank, engine mount, throttle cable, engine, and of course radiogear. They are best set up as three channel ships (A.E.T) but will accommodate a rudder if desired. Landing gear can be mounted if flying a hand tossed ship intimates you. Right now yellow or dark blue are your color choices for wings and tail, the fuselage is white. The only steps left up to the purchaser are mounting the firewall, motor mount, wing dowels and radio gear. For this you need a drill and a dremel tool with a cut off wheel mounted or use a fine hacksaw blade. Fairly detailed instructions are included to guide you through final assembly and first flights. All this and a low low price of \$35.00 each.

These are fast light very maneuverable ships best suited to an experienced pilot, with that said they could be set up with fairly tame control throws and landing gear. A steerable tail wheel can be mounted to allow taxiing. For those of you interested in learning how to work with this material we can set up a night and I can build one as a lesson on working with coreplast. A Saturday night works best for me as my weekend days are filled with taxi duties leaving only Sunday to squeeze in flying. I will bring some examples to our next meeting if you are interested in a purchase call or email me 905-335-9860 or eric.palmer@sympatico.ca Lets get some serious stick time in over winter and in the spring we can collectively continue our clubs proud tradition of beating the FlyingTigers. Yes a combat challenge.

A Story

A farmer goes out one day and buys a brand new stud rooster for his chicken coop. The rooster struts over to the old rooster and says, "O.K. old fart, time to retire." The old rooster replies, "Come on, you can't handle ALL these chickens. Look what it's done to me. Can't you just let me have the two old hens over in the corner?" The young rooster says, "Beat it! You're washed up and I'm taking over." The old rooster says, "I'll tell you what, young stud, I'll race you around the farmhouse. Whoever wins gets exclusive domain over the entire chicken coop." The young rooster laughs, "You know you don't stand a chance old man, so just to be fair, I'll give you a head start." The old rooster takes off running. About 15 seconds later the young rooster takes off after him. They round the front of the farmhouse and the young rooster has closed the gap. He's already about 5 inches behind the old rooster and gaining fast. The farmer, meanwhile, is sitting on the front porch when he sees the roosters running by. He grabs up his shotgun and BOOM!, he blows the young rooster to bits. The farmer sadly shakes his head,

"Damn it - that's the third gay rooster I've bought this month."

New Web Master

Tim McTigue has taken on the job of Web Master for our club. Many thanks Tim, have fun with the site and let's see what your fresh mind can do with it.

Bayview Status as of 16 October

From Harold Jones, President

The Bayview field is nearing completion but it will still be a while before we can use it. The fence, frequency compound and tables have been re-installed. The entire field was top dressed, over seeded and fertilized last Friday (October 11/02). **The entire bill \$8,400.00 plus taxes to this point has been paid for by the Region.** It is helpful that it is raining as I write this; it will help to get the grass seed going. The mats have been placed near the bed of 8" gravel. A work party will be setting them in place in the next few days.

We will be arranging patio stones for the start-up areas and flight stations. We will need a new wind sock installed for next year. Bill and Peter have plans to re-paint the frequency compound and re-do the surface of the work tables. I'm personally convinced that the new runway will have to be sealed. We have been given two street lights that we are trying to get the City to install in the parking lot (on their meter).

All in all we are just about finished. Your executive along with the field managers will have to decide when to re-open it. We must wait until the grass is established. We are planning a grand opening next year inviting all of the local dignitaries to attend.

Great job to all who participated in it's completion. Have a good fall flying season and see you at the next meeting.

Harold Jones

Editor's Afterword

The above report really doesn't do justice to the efforts expended by Harold, Art Titmarsh, Peter Hagens, Bill Montgomery, Howard McNamara, Dick Fahey and others. It took a lot of effort to find out who was responsible for what, to meet with various City and Regional representatives and to sort out just what needed to be done and how it was going to get done. Harold got things moving by defining what needed to be done then getting an agreement with the Region to the effect that if the Club arranged to get the work done, the Region would pay for it. This simplified matters and, as reported above, the work did get done and the Region has paid for it.

Personally, I contributed very little to the Bayview reconstruction. But, as a member of the Executive, I became aware of the enormous amount of effort that has gone into this. Frequently, I found out what had been done only after the event when I dragged a 'confession' out of someone who had just put in several hours of hard labour to do it.

I cannot find adequate words to express my admiration for this collection of quiet men. To them, all I can offer is a simple thank you. Even that will probably embarrass them!