



The News Letter of the Burlington Radio Control Modelers Club

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Editorial

From your president and editor

This edition of Skywords will be released earlier than usual since I will be in the U.K. touring aircraft museums and helping the Brits celebrate the 65th anniversary of the Battle of Britain. This tour starts off at the Imperial War Museum, Duxford and continues to include the RAF museums in Cosford and Hendon, RN, and Army museums, a visit to the Mosquito shrine and lots more.

Volunteers Needed

Your club is run by volunteers and we are running out of them. E-mails to club members asking for volunteers have elicited zero response. In particular, we need a new membership secretary and treasurer. These two jobs have been combined for the last two or three years and I would like to see this arrangement continue. However, that is not cast in stone; the two jobs can be separated under certain conditions. We would like to have Tom's replacement immediately since the bulk of the membership work takes place in November and December.

In January, we will need a new field manager for Bayview to replace Peter Hagens who has done such sterling work for so long. Other members of your executive will also retire as of the next AGM in January.

Your club cannot function without these dedicated volunteers. Without them, we would have to raise the club's fees to golf club levels and I know just how you would like that! If you can serve on the 2006 executive, please contact me or your VP: Ivan Wismayer.

Contributions to Skywords

An editor's job is to edit contributions submitted by others and I am very grateful to the reliable few who take the time to contribute. Once again, it's your club and your newsletter. If you wish the newsletter to continue, write dammit.

Cheers. Lawrence (Binker@Sympatico.ca).

Thursday, September 22nd.

**Presentation by the
Model Rocket Group**

Ivan's Stuka

Ivan wrote this note on August 5th:

Hi All: Here's my latest project. This my recreation of the Great Planes Stuka. It has an 80 ASP 4-stroke, JR radio, 5 channel (flaps, of course). I glassed the whole thing and it weighs the same as before!!! - 8 lbs. Expect to fly it this week.

Cheers Ivan.



Great Lakes Model & Aviation Airshow and Expo

Held at the Stoney Creek Municipal Airport,
August 20th and 21st, Stoney Creek.

You should have been there!

This from Bill Swindells.

As a first attempt to pull together modeling clubs from the Middle Zone, this was a fantastic event. The active runway for the models was a long grass strip, several thousand feet long with the breeze straight down the runway both days.

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There were sponsors and vendors as well as a food trailer with reasonable prices for the basic fare at an event such as this. A variety of shops had provided gifts for draw prizes, including our own **Skycraft Hobbies**.

Saturday produced about 75 registered pilots with over 300 spectators watching the events until about 3:00 PM, when rain started to fall. This later cleared up and the activities carried on. In the evening there was a bon fire for those that wished to stay late, and overnight camping was available to pilots who wished to remain at the field. Sunday produced



a bright sunny day, again with a fair breeze, right down the runway. Flying kicked off again about 9:30 AM and as with Saturday, the flying was broken into segments dedicated to the variety of aircraft present. 3D maneuvers were allotted their time as well as helicopters, and electrics, and open flying for all types of aircraft. The attendance was a little lighter for pilots on Sunday, but around noon, the spectator attendance was as prolific as on the Saturday. Mike Taziar, our Zone Director, who had been involved with the event since it's inception, explained to me the concept of any profits that might come from it. It was agreed by the four organizing clubs of this wonderful event, to take any profits above their initial dollar contribution to get this off the ground, and use this money for local youth support in their respective areas. This was a great concept.

I commend the four clubs, that worked together to organize this event. I know from past experience in helping to organize events that this was no easy feat, but the effort was well worth the time involved. The organizers will be getting together in November to start the planning for the 2006 GLMAAE. My best wishes to them and I can see this project continuing to grow as a fun filled weekend, well worth attending, even if only for one day.

Before you criticize someone, walk a mile in his shoes. That way, if he gets angry, he'll be a mile away - and barefoot.

A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory.

If you must choose between two evils, pick the one you've never tried before.

Binbrook Fair

This note from Bill Montgomery.

Hi Lawrence:

Just thought you might be able to use this photo. It is Dale showing some of the campers at Binbrook his mini-Funtana. This was part of the RC demonstration that Art organized in May(?) for a Campers convention at the Binbrook Fairgrounds. Art and I were there along with Dale and Rob Sleath. Dale and I demo'd electrics while Rob flew his heli. Art brought a 40 size for static display as the flying area was pretty tight.



Autistic Kids

Sometime this year, club members put on a show for autistic kids. Here is a picture of Harry Barnard, Art Titmarsh and Dale Eldridge with some of the kids at Bayview. My thanks to whoever gave me this picture - I forget who.



Not one shred of evidence supports the notion that life is serious.

It is easier to get forgiveness than permission.

For every action, there is an equal and opposite government program.

Age is a very high price to pay for maturity.

A closed mouth gathers no feet.

2005 Flying Season

This from Bill Swindells

Well here we are again, at the end of the so-called 'Flying Season', but not really, we still have many diehards that fly all year long. What a fantastic year for flying events!!! In most cases the weather was perfect, hot, but perfect for the many events that were held and are still to come before the snow flies.....burr, I hate to think of that!

How was your summer? Since I have retired, for me the flying season starts with the advent of the Toledo Show at the beginning of April. Again this year we were fortunate as a club to have two members invited to Top Gun, Karl Gross and George Bartkus, which ran from the last week of April to the first of May. This was a particularly happy event, as I finally met an eight year internet friend from England, Richard Crapp who modelled a particularly difficult aircraft, the Fairey Swordfish, complete with folding wings and securing latches. This aircraft was done from plans drawn up by Len Ashdowne of the Dundas Valley Fliers, also a friend of ours. Next year Len will be receiving an invitation from Frank Tiano for Top Gun to enter his Canadian version of the "Stringbag"

June marks the start of the many Fun Fly events, Float Flys and Rallies. As you know, I am partial to Scale Aircraft, and like to attend the scale events, this included weekend camping at Olean, N.Y., Chatham, and Hamburg N.Y. This does not rule out the Fun Fly events such as the Middle Zone Fun Fly and others that were advertised in my listing of events presented in the newsletter before we left for the summer. By the time you read this, Kitchener will have happened or be happening, and Oakville will be having their one day event on September 17th at the South Field. It is particularly heart warming to visit these various events and meet old friends from other parts of the country and see what they have brought to fly. These events turn out to be about 50 percent flying and 50 percent socializing around a campfire at night. The day usually starts with the flying of the gas and glow models, but more and more electrics are entering the events. After a full day of heavy flying, and after the evening meal, the smaller park flyers come into their own. The daytime breeze drops and the lighter models float through the air turning, twisting, rolling and doing loops. Some are quite spectacular!!!

I look forward to the shorter days only for one reason, and that is to bring my fleet back into tip top shape after many hours of hard flying and landings (some harder than others). Oh yes, another really important reason is to get reacquainted with my wife again!!!!

Check out my web site at <http://www.mountaincable.net/~cdnflyer> for pictures from the various events and see the people that attended. Who knows, you might recognize some of the other club members at these places.

Let's hear what you did this summer, and how many aircraft you used up. My score so far is: Planes flown = 5, Planes still flyable = 5, Planes with minor repairs = 2

One of my better summers so far.
Fly safely and have fun,
Bill Swindells.

Tri-Club

This from Art Titmarsh:

A fun day was had by all at the Oakville R/C club's 2005 "Fun Fly" held at their north field on Saturday July 23rd. The weather was great, flying was excellent and the food outstanding! Burlington was well represented by Art Titmarsh, Brian Dixon, John Bergez (and his sun shade), Bruce Dixon (and his camera plane) Ivan Wismayer, Derrick Howe, Kurt Fritz, Stan Morris (new member), Bill Swindells and our President



Lawrence Cragg. Everyone got a prize, ranging from Hobby Hobby gift certificates, to kits, tee shirts, and assorted other model supplies. Brian Dixon's huge 1/3rd scale (12 ft span) Super Cub was one of the stars of the show as it flew around at scale speeds and so realistically - looking as though it just flew in from Burlington Air Park for the day. Our club members who didn't or couldn't make it sure missed a great day. Our congratulations to The Oakville R/C club for a super day.



If you look like your passport picture, you probably need the trip.

A conscience is what hurts when all your other parts feel so good.

Eat well, stay fit, die anyway.

Men are from earth. Women are from earth. Deal with it.

No husband has ever been shot while doing the dishes.
A balanced diet is a cookie in each hand.

Corn Roast

This from your editor

This year's corn roast and fun fly went off exceptionally well even though it was a windy day and threatened rain. **Karl Gross** did a fine job of organizing events. **Dale Eldridge** worked the BBQ as well as the cooking pot. Many others also contributed to make Saturday, August 27th a memorable day.



First, there were two balloons on the runway and competitors had to burst one on take off and the other on landing. Next, fly for two minutes and land between two balloon markers. Next, styrofoam cups with two popsicle sticks glued to the

bottom were fixed to models with elastic bands. In the first go, the cups were filled with 10 jelly beans and the objective was to take off, fly, land, and taxi back with all the beans still in the cup. Not many made that.

Next, the cup was filled with an egg and the objective was to fly with the egg in the cup and tip it out on to the runway. Only **Mark Thomson** succeeded but **George Bartkus** got close and was so intent on watching the egg that he forgot to watch the model which crashed.



Chris McHugh brought along two fine examples of electrically powered aircraft one of which is shown here while **Mark Thompson**, another electric flight enthusiast,

was flying a very nice Yak 54 with his usual expertise.

Our one and only female club member, **Natalie Dallaire** flew her helicopter complete with "training wheels" and **Peter Hagens** set up the bonfire complete with the odd fire cracker to liven things up. All in all, a fine day enjoyed by all.



Middle age is when broadness of the mind and narrowness of the waist change places.

Opportunities always look bigger going than coming.

Junk is something you throw away three weeks before you need it.

Artificial intelligence is no match for natural stupidity.

Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than going to a garage makes you a mechanic.

Experience is a wonderful thing. It enables you to recognize a mistake when you make it again.

Charlie's Float Fly

With pictures from Harold Jones and some commentary from Art Titmarsh.

Charlie Chomos held his third annual Kushog Lake Float Fly June 22 to 24. This evidently coincided with Art's birthday. In a brief note, Art wrote: "We had great fun this year as we have had every year so far! Charlie is a top-notch host and has beautiful spot for float flying! We are already looking forward to next year!"



Here are Charlie's guests: Squeakie Dixon, Wayne Gilbank, Titty, Ivan Wismayer, Ross Gammage, Harold Jones, Charlie Chomas and Carl Small.

Paletta Mansion

On August 15th we supplied our simulator and a model to an event organized for the benefit of children aged between 5 and 12. Lawrence Cragg handled the morning session and Kevin Andrew and Kevin McLeod handled the evening session.



The event was reported in the Burling-

ton Post.

By the time you can make ends meet, they move the ends.

Thou shalt not weigh more than thy refrigerator.

Someone who thinks logically provides a nice contrast to the real world.

I believe the only time the world beats a path to my door is when I'm in the bathroom.

Blessed are they who can laugh at themselves for they shall never cease to be amused.



Here is a view of Bayview as seen by a satellite via Earth.Google.com

Halloween costume party

A couple was invited to a swanky masked Halloween Party. She got a terrible headache and told her husband to go to the party alone. He, being a devoted husband, protested, but she argued and said she was going to take some aspirin and go to bed, and there was no need of his good time being spoiled by not going. So he took his costume and away he went.

The wife, after sleeping soundly for one hour, awakened without pain and as it was still early, she decided to go the party. In as much as her husband did not know what her costume was, she thought she would have some fun by watching her husband to see how he acted when she was not with him.

She joined the party and soon spotted her husband cavorting around on the dance floor, dancing with every nice chick he could, and copping a little feel here and a little kiss there. His wife sidled up to him and being a rather seductive babe herself, he left his partner high and dry and devoted his time to the new

stuff that had just arrived.

She let him go as far as he wished; naturally, since he was her husband.

Finally, he whispered a little proposition in her ear and she agreed, so off they went to one of the cars and had a good time. Just before unmasking at midnight, she slipped away and went home and put the costume away and got into bed, wondering what kind of explanation he would make for his behavior.

She was sitting up reading when he came in and asked what kind of a time he had. He said, "Oh, the same old thing. You know I never have a good time when you're not there." Then she asked, "Did you dance much?" He replied, "I'll tell you, I never even danced one dance. When I got there, I met Pete, Bill Brown and some other guys, so we went into the den and played poker all evening. But you're not going to believe what happened to the guy I loaned my costume to....."