# SKYWORDS

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#### PRESIDENTS REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2015

Ladies and gentlemen: I use the plural of ladies as I see that we have a new member ready to take ground school Welcome Heidi Adams to BRCM in addition welcome to 2 new members namely: Antonio Giangualano and Ross Pryde.

For those of you who were not able to be at last month's meeting, forgot or did not wake up from their afternoon nap this report is a short synopsis of what occurred.

Harry Barnard is out of the hospital and recovering at home. We wish him a speedy recovery. Thank you all for signing his get well card which I sent off the next day.

Many thanks to Joe Baus on his talk on helicopters. Judging by all the questions asked, everybody found the subject very interesting. Any sort of flight is of course magical; just look at a 747 or an A380 coming into land just hanging in the sky on mathematical equations !!! ( Don't forget the Bumble bee which is not supposed to fly at all.)

For this months entertainment Mike Block will walk us through flying Turbines.

The gate at Bayview has a temporary new padlock which is to stop pilots driving on the grass whilst it is still soggy. This will be removed when Doug Edwards deems fit. I have put a request into the City of Burlington for 3 picnic tables for Bayview which is in the process of being reviewed.

I approached Burlington Hydro to see if the power line at the east end of the runway could be lowered or buried. Because of safety codes they cannot have them any lower than they are now and the cost to bury them is way out of our reach so they will stay as they are now. Don't forget, when on finals from that end KEEP SOME BLUE UNDER YOU

This un-insulated power line carries 2.400 volts AC so if your aircraft gets hung up on the line DO NOT TRY TO RETRIEVE IT BUT CALL BURLINGTON HYDRO. YOU COULD GET VERY BADLY HURT. PLEASE ADVISE ANY GUEST FLYERS.

The toilet at the Bronte field is staying.

Tony Madge is working diligently to build the first movable flight table and should have it very soon for critical inspection.

Since nobody took up the challenge of Bayview Safety officer I took it upon myself to appoint all of the members who fly at Bayview to be the safety officer in situ. If pilots are seen to be forgetting the guidelines then it is your / our responsibility to advise them. Please remember that this is a hobby and we are here to have fun and not antagonize members

Norm Harris is Safety officer for Bronte.

Last Thursday was the first time that a Swap table was used. Tim Bidwell brought some stuff along but I don't know what transpired. We will try again next meeting.

Very soon we will be in a position to do some field maintenance at both Bronte and Bayview so I would ask for volunteers for work at both parties. Bronte field Manager is Wade Weppler and for Bayview Doug Edwards.

WOB patches and stickers were offered for sale at our meeting Quite a few members bought some. Joe thanks you for your support.

Wings Ground school is Sunday April 12<sup>th</sup> at Bayview field starting at 9.00am and lasting approximately 3 hours.

A report in Wednesday's Globe and Mail talks of a 15 gram bird (Blackpole Warbler) that has an annual migration of 2,800 Kilometers one way NON STOP over the Atlantic from roughly Nova Scotia to Venezuala with perhaps a stop off in Cuba and then it comes back again in the spring. Makes you think!

**Ashley** 

SUPPORT BRCM'S PREMIER EVENT WARBIRDS OVER THE BAY PURCHASE EVENT PATCHES AT THE NEXT MARCH GENERAL MEETING



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Peel & Stick



# **Burlington Radio Control Modelers**

July 25th & 26th, 2015

Hours of Operation: Sat. 09:00 AM - 3:00 PM Sun. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

# At the BAYVIEW MODEL AIRPORT 1800 King Rd. Burlington ON CANADA

JOIN IN THE 75th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN

Event is open to military aircraft of any era, Jet and Helicopters welcome (no camo trainers please) MAAC or AMA required to fly.

No charge overnight camping (no hookups) 110v power available for charging electrics, radios etc. Pre-Register for Camping is recommended.

Pre-Registration: \$10.00 until June 30, 2015, \$15.00 after that date Pre-Registration available on our website at www.brcm.org and click on Warbirds Tab

Food, Fun, Fellowship, Raffles and Pilot draws.

400 x 30 ft Blacktop runway with adjacent grass runway. Saturday night flying. Sponsored by Skycraft Hobbies

Lunch time Demo's. Plenty of parking and overnight camping. Huge prize pool from our many generous Sponsors.

For further information: CD Ian Brown ian.brown3344@gmail.com

www.brcm.org Warbirds Over The Bay



The South African Air
Force (SAAF) use a number of C47 s upgraded with turboprop engines. I saw one of these over
Cape Town but was unable to get
a picture as there was a wine bottle in the way. Engines used are
Pratt and Whitney PT6A AR
made in Canada.

This Airframe was built in 1943.

**Tom Gwinnett** 





Eeny Meeny Miney Mo—can you get it back together for this summer, Peter?



# Membership Badges

If you are waiting for your BRCM membership Badge you can pick it up at the April meeting at the Library on New Street Thursday 23rd April at 7 pm.

Tom Gwinnett





Seaton Valley Radio Control Club

# **Annual Warbird Rally**

Saturday, July 11, 2015



9:00 am. Start (Rain date: Sunday July 12th)

Open to all Scale and Stand-off Scale Military Aircraft - Any Era \* Food - Raffles - Prizes - Pilots Choice \*

Come out for a great day of FUN!!



This year including

# **Warbirds over Claremont**

An Optional "Fun Scale" judged event Trophies to 3rd place One Pilot station reserved for those wishing to be judged





Rally participation: Free - Fun Scale Entry: \$10.00

Fun Scale Competitors receive complimentary T-Shirt
Current MAAC or AMA membership required to fly
Spectators are Welcome!

# FOR MORE INFORMATION Please contact::

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This is what summer is all about. Remember—leaves on trees, hats to ward off the sunstroke and open water!

Charlie Chomos hand launching an aircraft at a float fly.

From Tom Gwinnett

# SAVE THESE DATES

## **April 23 General Meeting**

Central Library - 7 pm

JET ENGINE DEMO

By Mike Block

### **May 28 General Meeting**

(Last before summer)

Central Library - 7 pm

#### **FLOAT FLY**

Christie Conservation Area

June 13 and 14 - 9 am

**SCALE RALLY** 

June 20 Bayview Field

#### WAR BIRDS OVER THE BAY

July 25/26 Bayview Field

#### **ELECTRIC - ONLY DAY**

Aug 22nd Bayview Field

**RUBBER FLY** 

**November General Meeting** 

Nov. 26—Central Library



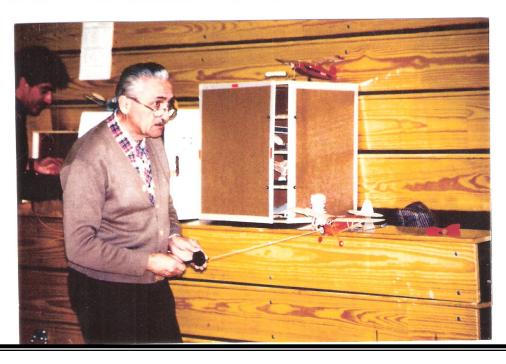
JOE BAUS explains the workings of a Helicopter and why it leaves the ground. (They really don't fly seemed to be the main topic of his presentation.)

This was a very good presentation, Joe, and now we all appreciate the workings and flight controls you fellows are dealing with.

He brought along two helis—a SAB 700 and a SAB 500, plus a rotor and swash plate and a tail rotor from another helicopter to demonstrate his talk.

Thanks Joe.





# TIVADAR (TED) TOTH MAAC 7457

Ted was born in Abaujker, Hungary in 1931 and attended schools there to college entry. He was 8 years old when WW2 broke out. During the war he continued his model building using substitute materials and flew pendulum balanced towline gliders. He flew with, and against, Georges Benedek a world renowned airfoil designer and international Wakefield team leader.

After completing his ROTC service as an officer in a tank regiment he attended Budapest Technical University and received his degree in mechanical engineering in 1955. He continued flying competitive rubber and gas powered free-flight models until he emigrated to Canada with his wife, Klara, in 1957.

They settled first in Montreal and he continued his engineering studies. They moved to Toronto where Ted obtained his Professional Engineer's Certification. After moving to Burlington he took a position with Dominion Glass Ltd., and subsequently with Plax Canada Ltd.

Ted resumed his hobby activities in the early '70s with some friends from Dundas. In 1973 he joined MAAC and was a founding member of BRCM. He volunteered for the job of club Treasurer and held that office until 1988 meanwhile flying RC models at various Club sites.

In 1980 Ted's interest in free-flight rubber-power resumed and he joined a group of free-flight modelers flying at Rockton Recreation Field. In 1987 he was active in indoor Rubber Scale at Aldershot High School where he flew with notable success for several years.

In 1992 Ted answered MAAC's call for civilian instructors to help 540 Oakville R/C (Air) Cadet Squadron with model building serving from 1992 to 2002 after which Oakville MFC took over those duties. Ted continued to fly both indoor and outdoor free-flight and outdoor rubber scale until 1998 when Klara's health declined to the point where Ted was forced to discontinue his hobby activities.

Ted passed away quite unexpectedly on February 4th, 2015. He is survived by his wife, Klara, daughter Gabriella and many relatives and friends. We shall miss Ted in our flying activities.

Richard Fahey MAAC2961L

ED NOTE: Klara Toth's obituary was in the Spectator April 2nd, 2015.

# BRCM General Meeting Minutes – Thursday March 26, 2015

The following are the minutes of the meeting of Thursday March 26, 2015.

Meeting Head Count - There were 46 bodies present

Motion to open meeting by B Swindells and seconded by D Edwards was passed.

Motion to accept the minutes of February 26, 2015 meeting as documented and circulated by D Howe and seconded by C Chomos was passed.

New Members: Ian Gordon

Tony Angualano

Skywords Deadline: April 6, 2015

April Meeting Entertainment: Turbines presented by Mike Block

### *IMMEDIATE ACTION ITEMS*

DATE	RESPONSIBIITY	DETAILS	STATUS
Feb 26	L Cragg	Decision of Bronte Toilet	Completed
Feb 26	J Fazzari	Decision on Toledo Bus	Completed

# **NEW BUSINESS**

A Armstrong has requested 3 more picnic tables from the City Parks Department – 2 for the Plankers and 1 for the Roto-Heads.

A Armstrong followed up with Burlington Hydro with regard to lowering the electrical wires at the east end of the field. It cannot be lowered due to height restrictions. Burying these wires would involve a fairly substantial cost to the club. THE WIRES ARE 2400 VOLT BARE CABLE SO MAKE SURE THAT YOU CONTACT THE BURLINGTON HYDRO IF YOUR PLANE GETS CAUGHT IN THE WIRES. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES TRY TO FREE IT YOURSELF.

#### 15.2.4 New Work Benches

T Madge will construct a field work table based on AMA specifications to be installed at the Bayview Field for member evaluation and input.

#### 15.2.5 Bayview Weather Station

Required equipment and web communications equipment have been identified. We have heard that the Halton Region is involved in a project to set up weather stations at various locations within the region. We are awaiting a decision from the region on the possibility of a joint venture at the Bayview field which is actually on Halton Region property.

# **SPECIAL ITEM UPDATES**

#### Club Membership and Financials

# CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE IN VERSION OF MINUTES AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC.

#### **Wings Program**

- To date 1 student is signed up.
- 1st Ground School should be around April 11

# ONE TIME ITEMS & QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

#### Web Site:

Warbirds pages have been updated

A Armstrong's personal computer was infected with a virus introduced through his club email. W Weppler is investigating what can be done to prevent this.

#### **Toledo Bus**

There was not sufficient interest to make the bus rental to the Toledo RC show cost effective so the item has been scrubbed. We will try again next year but start the process earlier in the year.

#### Club Survey

J Fazzari apologized for the delay in responding to the club survey comments from last year and assured the membership that the board target response time is 1 month. The responses were published in the March Edition of Skywords. The membership had no comments or input with regard to the responses.

#### Field Maintenance Bronte

- Field is very sloppy. PLEASE PARK OUTSIDE THE GATE UNTIL ADVISED DIFFERENTLY
- Plans are being made to pump out the field
- Currently investigating setting up charging stations in the chickee and investigating the possibility of installing a Geotech runway.

Toilet will remain

#### **Bayview**

- Most of the mowing teams have re-upped for this coming season. VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL WELCOME. An attempt will be made to create 3 man teams rather than the past 2 man teams
- Arrangements will be made to roll field
- Volunteers will be sought for a work party to: Mark runway / Address problems with the fences / Repair grass / Clean BBQ and Tractor Sheds
- o Arrangements will be made to service mowers in mid April
- o A request will be made to the city to grade the parking lot

• The gate to the runway will be locked until the field dries up

MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO PLEASE REPLACE BLACK GARBAGE BAGS WHEN THEY SEE THAT THE BAG IS HALF FULL. FULL BAGS ARE TO BE PLACED BY THE GARBAGE CAN IN THE PARKING LOT.

#### **Bronte Toilet**

There was a unanimous decision on the part of the Board to keep the Bronte Toilet.

#### **Warbirds Over the Bay**

- Patches have arrived and are for sale Embroidered \$6.00 Stick On \$5.00 Both \$10.00
- Posters are available for pick up
- DLE 20cc gas engine is the volunteer's prize
- Volunteers still needed
- There is a concern with regard to parking, particular handicapped parking. Alternatives are being investigated
- Bill Swindells reported that out of the 21 sponsors from last year, 11 have confirmed for this year. He will be promoting the event at the Toledo RC Show

Everything is tracking.

Motion to close 2015 Business portion of meeting by T Gwinnett and seconded by W Wepler was passed.

#### **CRITICAL DATES**

Warbirds Over the Bay July 25, 26, 2015

Electric Fun Fly August 22, 2015

Bronte Vertical Vehicle Fun Fly TBD

Rubber Fly November 26, 2015

Seaton Valley Warbirds Event July 11, 2015



READY FOR
RUBBER?
NOVEMBER
2015

