

# SKYWORDS

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## *BILL SWINDELLS*

It's with the deepest regret that I inform you of the passing of a very close friend and fellow member of BRCM. Bill Swindells passed away early Oct. 13th at his home in Hamilton with his family at his side. Many of you may know that Bill had been fighting cancer for over 10 years; most recently from a reoccurrence within the past 18 months.

Bill had been involved with our club since the mid 1990's. He served many positions in BRCM over the years including President in the early 2000's, Safety Officer at Bayview and participated on various Boards as a Director. He represented BRCM at MAAC annual zone meetings and was very interested in that work. He was often consulted and looked upon as the "translator" of our Club's rules and By-laws with exquisite meaning.

Bill played an active role in the organization of 6 annual Warbirds Over The Bay events. This past year he set an all-time record in obtaining over \$6,000.00 in prizes from many sponsors, with whom he had close relationships.

Bill was a true ambassador for our club, the MAAC organization and our hobby. Whenever I travelled with him, I was truly amazed at the amount of people who knew him whether it was at a Canadian flying event or events as far away as South Carolina and Florida.

Bill is survived by his wife Sharon, his daughter Jennifer, sons Richard and Adam and his Granddaughter Becky.

Bill will be truly missed.

Rest in Peace, Bill

Dave Cummings



*THE BRONTE  
CHICKEE ...  
WITH IT'S NEW  
CHARGING STA-  
TION ....*



*HAS A PLAQUE  
TO A DECEASED  
MEMBER WHO  
CONTRIBUTED A  
WHOLE LOT TO  
B.R.C.M. OVER  
MANY YEARS.*

*ART  
TITMARSH  
R.I.P*



## September Guest Speaker

Major Mike MacKenzie, RCAF (Ret) told us some of his most interesting stories about flying the CF 104 (widowmaker) with the RCAF.

Rich Muller brought along his model of a CF 104, and Gary Arthur his model of the BAE Hawk.





Darien da Silva—age 10 - with his wings certificate at the Sept General Meeting.

Darien was taught by Ivan Wismayer at Bronte.

Congratulations to Darien.

(Is that really his trainer he is standing beside!)

## ATTENTION ALL BAYVIEW PILOTS

We, as a group, are flying too far east and well beyond the limits of our air space. We are allowed to go to the middle of the wooded area between our field and the businesses that have set up there in the past few years. We have had complaints in the past about aircraft overflying the nearest building and I now have further comment, from my son's brother in law who works there, that we constantly overfly his office.

This fellow works in the newer building, the glass and wood building and says that its not only jets they see and hear, but also 'big' model aircraft. Next time you drive up from the North Service Road take a look at this building. It's a long way away from our runway.

We spent time and effort to move the pilot stations west, away from the woods and I ask all to be aware of the limits. **We do not want to lose our field. Start your turn-around before your aircraft is over the wooded area; that will keep your aircraft away from those buildings.**

Thank You

Al Race



## **SAVE THESE DATES**

### **BRCM General Meeting**

**Thursday October 22**

**Central Library 7 pm**

### **BRCM General Meeting**

**Thursday Nov. 26**

**Central Library 7 pm**

### **RUBBER FLY**

### **BRCM Christmas Meeting**

**Thursday Dec 17**

**Central Library 7 pm**

### **BRCM Annual General Meeting**

**Thursday Jan 28**

**Central Library 7 pm**

### **SOME GREAT BARGAINS!**

Flying stuff that was donated to the club being auctioned off by Tom Gwinnett with the help of Ian Brown. Some good deals were had. Thanks guys.



# **BRCM General Meeting Minutes – Thursday September 24, 2015**

The following are the minutes of the meeting of Thursday September 24, 2015.

**Meeting Head Count** - There were 63 bodies present

*Motion to open meeting by I Brown and seconded by T Gwinnett was passed.*

NOTE: It was pointed out that the motion as documented in the May 28, 2015 General Meeting Minutes that the club initiation fee be waived for junior members stated that the \$50.00 fee exists for new members and *“previous members who have not rejoined within the previous 3 years.”* This should have read *“within the previous 5 years”*.

*Motion to accept the corrected minutes of May 28, 2015 meeting as documented and circulated by C Finch and seconded by D Edwards was passed.*

NOTE: The Business portion of the September GM was deliberately shortened to allow for a special Show and Tell and Guest Speaker – former CF 104 Star Fighter Pilot Major Mike Mackenzie (retired)

Guests:	Mike Mackenzie	guest of Joe Fazzari
	Jerry Proskurnicki	guest of Joe Fazzari
New Members:	Ryan Harrington	Bob Hill
	Darian DaSilva	Nicholas Jacobs

October Meeting Entertainment: Documentary Reunion of Giants **if available**

## **IMMEDIATE ACTION ITEMS**

DATE	RESPONSIBILITY	DETAILS	STATUS
Apr 23	A Armstrong	Report on City Joint Venture Mtg	
Apr 23	W Wepler	Investigating Geotech runway for Bronte	
Apr 23	W Wepler	Investigating Solar Charging Stn for Bronte	complete
Apr 23	J Fazzari	Bayview outside charging stations report	
	J Fazzari	New Work Benches	
	J Fazzari	Bayview Weather Station	
	J Fazzari	Proposed Youth Group	

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **General Comments from President**

There is some confusion over the flying hours for electrics on Sundays at the Bayview Field. Until further notice all members are to maintain the 10:00 A.M. start time for all aircraft at Bayview.

### **Question from the floor:**

None at this time

### **15.2.4 New Work Benches**

**THIS ITEM WILL BE CLOSED UNLESS THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP INDICATES THAT THERE IS A DESIRE FOR MORE OF THE BENCHES AT EITHER FIELD.**

### **15.2.5 Bayview Weather Station**

Nothing reported

### **14.4.1 Youth Program**

Nothing reported

### **14.9.1 Out Door Chrg Stns**

Nothing reported

### **Warbirds Over the Bay**

- All proceeds from parking \$1319.00 was donated to Carpenter House
- Net profit to date is \$2.76
- We had a record number of pilots – 35 – displaying a total of 65 aircraft
- Feedback suggested that the event was considered a “1<sup>st</sup> class event”
- Ian Brown as chair of the event thanked everyone who contributed and volunteered
- For those who could not attend we were honored by the attendance of 3 WWII veterans who arrived in a 1939 Chrysler convertible

Club members Mike and Paul Penney with still pictures provided by Aaron Burns put together an absolutely brilliant video on the event that all members should view: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CaTaPAcl5Y>

## **SPECIAL ITEM UPDATES**

### **Wings Program**

Two new graduates have received their wings: Caleb Brum & Darian DaSilva

### **Field Maintenance**

**Bronte**      Nothing reported

**Bayview**      Nothing reported

### **Club Membership and Financials**

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