

# SKYWORDS

The Newsletter of :  
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## PRESIDENTS REPORT FOR MARCH 2016

**WINTER IS ALMOST OVER NOW AND I EXPECT EVERYBODY IS LOOKING TO COME OUT OF HIBERNATION AND ITCHING TO BRING OUT THEIR LATEST AND GREATEST CREATIONS FOR TEST FLYING PERHAPS EVEN A FEW OLD FAITHFULS DUTIFULLY INSPECTED AND REPAIRED IF NECESSARY.**

**A BIG WELCOME TO OUR YOUNGEST NEW MEMBER TO THE CLUB, ALEXIS GORDON, ONE NEVER DISCLOSES A LADY'S AGE BUT BELIEVE ME SHE IS THE YOUNGEST !**

**2 E-MAILS HAVE BEEN SENT TO THE CITY OF BURLINGTON WITH RESPECT TO THE IDIOT WHO IS MAKING DO-NUTS IN THE BAYVIEW PARKING LOT. SUGGESTIONS OF MOVING SOME OF THE ROCKS OR HIGHWAY DIVIDERS INTO THE PARKING LOT HAVE BEEN MADE, SO BE AWARE THE NEXT TIME YOU GO TO BAYVIEW.**

**BURLINGTON RIFLE AND REVOLVER CLUB WILL BE PRESENTING THEIR PLANS OF RENOVATING THEIR CLUB COMPLEX AT THE NEXT BRCM CLUB MEETING, SO MAKE A SPECIAL EFFORT TO BE THERE SO THAT YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT IS GOING ON .**

**TAXIWAYS ARE STILL BEING INVESTIGATED SO ANY ADDITIONAL INPUT OR IDEAS ( EVEN OUTSIDE THE ENVELOPE ) THAT HAVE ARISEN SINCE THE LAST CLUB MEETING WOULD BE APPRECIATED.**

**WE ARE LOOKING INTO THE COST OF 3 ADDITIONAL PICNIC TABLES FOR THE HELICOPTER AND CONTROL LINE FLYERS IN ADDITION WE ARE LOOKING INTO FEEDING , GROOMING AND ROLLING THE GRASS AREAS OF BOTH FIELDS.**

**THE RATTY LOOKING FENCING AT BAYVIEW ALSO NEEDS TO BE LOOKED AT.**

**ASHLEY**

# *E—DAY AT BAYVIEW*

*AUGUST 20, 2016*



*Any aircraft powered by battery is welcome to fly that day; foamies, helis, multi-rotors etc etc. No gas or nitro aircraft, nor jets (except electric ducted fans) may fly from 0900 to 1500 hours..*

*There will be no cost to fly, charging stations will be available, lunch of hot dogs and drinks will be available for purchase. BRCM members or their guests only please. Must have MAAC or AMA to fly.*

*For info call Al Race 905-637-0739*

I went to Bayview the other day, and there was a member with blood all over his hands—he accidentally turned on his electric aircraft on the bench and ripped a couple of new scars in his hand.

This has been a problem for some time - I recall one pilot had two aircraft on the same transmitter and forgot to unplug one, while flying the other. The one in the pits started to move - someone stopped the second one but that could have been a bad accident. I am sure there are other accidents that I don't know about.

We need some help with this problem. My personal solution is I unplug the battery from the motor/esc immediately I return to the pits. Others may use a fuse that is removed / replaced as needed.

Another solution for some is to assign a switch on the transmitter that shuts the throttle stick off although I don't think I have that on my older Futaba transmitters

If any member has a better solution to this, please let me know and I will publish it here.

Thanks

Al Race

## **SAVE THESE DATES / 2016**

March 24 General Meeting  
Central Library 7 pm

April 28 General Meeting  
Central Library 7 pm

May 26 General Meeting  
(Last before summer)  
Central Library 7 pm

**FLOAT FLY**  
June 11 and 12  
Christie Conservation Area

**SCALE RALLY**  
June 18, Bayview

**SOUTHERN ONTARIO GIANT SCALE RALLY**  
Stoney Creek Airport  
June 24 and 25

**CANADA DAY FUN FLY**  
July 1, Bayview

**WAR BIRDS OVER THE BAY**  
July 23/24 Bayview Field

**ELECTRIC—ONLY DAY**  
August 20, Bayview

# WARBIRDS OVER THE BAY



Bayview Park | 1800 King Road | Burlington

**July 23 start 8:30 | July 24 start 9:30**



**MAAC/AMA Membership Required**  
**Overnight Camping Available** (no services)  
**Pre-Registration \$15.00** before June 2<sup>nd</sup>  
**Thereafter \$20.00**, including day of event  
**Open to military aircraft of any era**  
**with focus on Naval Aircraft**



For details see [www.brcm.org](http://www.brcm.org), or contact  
Event Coordinator - Ian Brown @ (905) 690-1249

# **BRCM General Meeting Minutes – Thursday February 25, 2016**

The following are the minutes of the meeting of Thursday February 25, 2016.

Meeting Head Count - 32 bodies present

*Motion to open meeting by D. Edwards and C. Chomos was passed.*

*Motion to accept the minutes of January 28, 2016 meeting as documented and circulated by D. Edwards and seconded by J. Fazzari was passed.*

Guests / New Members: Alexis Gordon

Wings Presentation:

## **IMMEDIATE ACTION ITEMS**

DATE	RESPONSIBILITY	DETAILS	STATUS
Apr 23	A Armstrong	Report on City Joint Venture Mtg	Waiting on city
Apr 23	W Wepler	Investigating Geotech runway for Bronte	
Apr 23	J Fazzari	2 <sup>nd</sup> Bayview outside charging stations report	On hold
	J Fazzari	Bayview Weather Station	On hold
	J Fazzari	Proposed Youth Group	active
Dec /15	MAAC Rep	Keep members posted on status of MAAC response to	
Jan /16	W Wepler	Look into Glitching Registration on Forum	
Jan /16	L Cragg	Look into possibility of putting more cash into GICs	

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **New City Contract**

Indications were that A Armstrong and L Cragg might be able to meet with city officials to discuss the contract by the end of January. They are waiting for the city officials to advise of the date of the meeting.

### **Use of Bayview – Ryerson**

On Feb 8<sup>th</sup>, A Armstrong received an email from Ryerson asking to use Bayview for some experiment aircraft testing. After a consult with MAAC Insurance Agent (Tony), Ryerson would need its own insurance. Ashley responded, explained the concern and declined participation.

Knowing these insurance requirements, BRCM will say “No” in the future if similar requests are made.

### **Insurance Provisions – Guests**

Following the interest received from the work J. Fazzari is doing with students and Boy Scouts, the Board was unsure if MAAC insurance would cover a guest trying to fly under the watchful eye of a pilot.

A Armstrong investigated with MAAC Insurance Agent (Tony)... MAAC covers guests to fly as long as the pilot has control via a buddy box system.

A. Armstrong indicated that the Board will look to add the following as Bylaw 25 (iv)... *Guests may fly without MAAC membership with a buddy box provided the pilot in control holds a current MAAC membership card and is a member in good standing of the club.*

### **Taxiway Discussion**

As per of the suggestions received for updates/improvements for 2016, a suggestion was put forth to install taxiways at Bayview. J. Fazzari has taken the lead on investigating taxiway options so that the membership is educated on the various possibilities before deciding whether or not this idea should be pursued.

J. Fazzari presented a PowerPoint to the membership around 5 taxiway alternatives (PowerPoint is on the club Forum). The membership feedback will be posted on the club forum, however below is a summary of the general discussion points:

Discussion amongst members on whether or not taxiways would be harmful to landing gear if using grass runway.

If taxiway is not wide enough, members will not use.

Some planes can't be taxied.

Taxiways are in place at other fields with good success. Some feedback received so far but more research required if this were to proceed.

Bayview used to have a diagonal runway (one of the options presented). Was not used and approach was difficult. Was removed.

Lots of discussion on improving the grass condition (various options discussed). Some concerns that there would be little improvement due to clay soil, no water and methane gas in ground.

A suggestion was put forth to do a trial of a taxiway at one end only. Remove or modify as required based on trial feedback

It was also raised that when the paved runway was extended, taxiways were part of the scope of work and the membership voted against... Update following the meeting: T. Brum could not find anything in the past minutes to support this statement.

## **UPDATES**

### **Club Membership and Financia**

156 paid members as of the meeting

Lawrence to look into putting more money in GIC's (On Action List)

### **Bronte Field Update**

Looking for aggregate for parking lot

### **Bayview Field Update**

D. Edwards has asked city to move rocks closer to driveway to prevent driving on grass. These can be moved later for events when more parking is needed.

Outhouse remains locked

## **Spending Your Money**

Taxiway Discussion was the main topic. Other items to be discussed at upcoming meetings

## **Web Site**

Website / Forum demo at March Meeting

## **Bayview Weather Station**

Nothing reported

## **Youth Program**

Student work at schools continues with interest

J. Fazzari recently put on a display for local Boy Scouts. Interest by scouts and also by leaders primarily for a field visit when flying is active

J. Fazzari is working on a program concept and will present to membership soon.

## **Outdoor Chrg Stns**

No action expected until April – May 2016 (See Action List)

## **June Float Fly**

Nothing to report at this meeting

## **Warbirds**

F4U Corsair is this year's prize

Volunteer forms were passed out to assist with the event – see I. Brown if interested

All forms submitted to City by A. Armstrong

## **Wings**

Nothing to report at this meeting

## **QUESTIONS/INPUT FROM THE FLOOR:**

NONE AT THIS MEETING

*Motion to the meeting by H. Bernard and seconded by C. Finch was passed.*

## **CRITICAL DATES**

Christie Float Fly	June 11 & 12, 2016
Bayview Scale Rally	June 18, 2016
Southern Ontario Giant Scale Rally	June 24 & 25, 2016
Canada Day BRONTE	July 1, 2016
Warbirds Over the Bay	July 23 & 24, 2016









