



Stetson Flyer

Stetson Flyers Model Airplane Club

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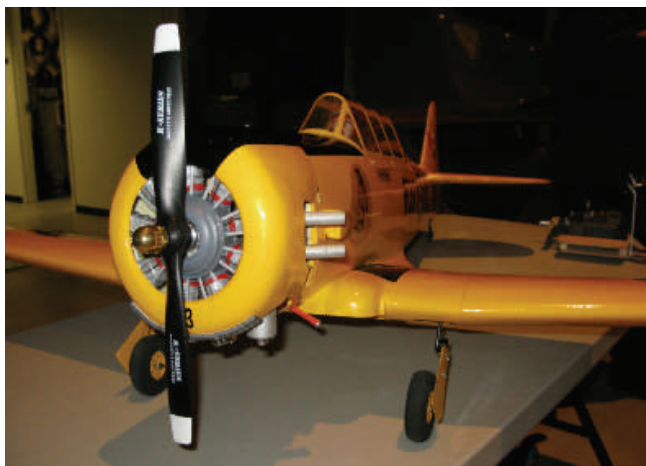
Regular Meeting

Tuesday, March 31st

7:30 pm

At the Museum

Don't forget your "Bring'n'Brag"!



These planes were on display for Bring'n'Brag for the February 24th meeting.

Coming Stetson Events...

March 31 st	Regular Meeting
April 28 th	Regular Meeting
May 2 nd	Mall Show
May 16 th	Field Work Day
May 26 th	Regular Meeting
June 6 th	Ed Rae Memorial Fun Fly

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Dues:

\$70.00 per calendar year; \$30.00 for students under 18

Meetings

The Stetson Flyers meet at 7:30 on the last Tuesday of each month, except for December, June, July or August. The meetings are held at the Canada Aviation Museum in the Bush Theatre.

Use the back door to the museum! To get to the back door follow the roads around to the extreme left side of the museum. Pass through the gate in the fence and proceed to the back door.

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Meeting Minutes – 24 February 2009 Canada Aviation Museum

The meeting was opened by a motion from Dave Asquini. There were 41 members in attendance. New members and guests were welcomed to the club.

The meeting minutes were accepted as published.

The treasurer reports that our bank balance is \$3250.79. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Ford Sommerville, seconded by Mike Ingham. Motion carried.

The number of members paid for 2009 so far is 53.

Webmasters Report – looking for material to publish.

Newsletter Editors Report – no update.

Field Report – the cook house has been winterized with sheet plastic to keep out the wind. The safety fence has some holes in it which will have to be repaired on field maintenance day.

CFI Report. There will be an instructors meeting in March. Always room for more instructors – please see Pierre Voyer if interested.

Old Business – The executive are on the hunt for an ATCO style trailer but ones in reasonable repair are expensive. To order jackets we need a minimum order of 24 but so far only six members have expressed interest to purchase one. Dan said they need more people in order to run the first aid course so if interested contact Dan.

New Business – The executive are investigating getting club crests sewn. There is a President's Meeting in Brockville Feb 28th – Hal MacDonald will be representing the club.

Events:

Silver Dart – have done short hops, having trouble getting CG right. Wind tunnel tests are scheduled and in the meantime some "round the pole" flying is scheduled to work out control and balance issues. The model has received a lot of positive feedback from museum staff.

Winter Fun Fly – Dave Assquini will make his famous Chili, and the road in will be plowed if needed.

Place d'Orleans Static display – will be purchasing insurance for \$25.00 to cover us for this event.

The Ed Rae Fun Fly was printed in the MAAC magazine twice by mistake.

Safety – Read updates on MAAC website.

50/50 draw was won by March Huot who took home half of \$123.00.

The meeting closed with a motion from Gerry Nadon.

April 1st is the deadline!

Three things happen on April 1 if you have not paid your membership:

1. The membership list is pared back to paid up members. This means that you will not receive newsletters or email updates after April 1.
2. The gate code is changed and the new code is only provided to members who have paid.
3. Since you are no longer a member in good standing, you cannot fly at our field except as a guest during events (fun flies, for example). If you obtain the code illegally or step over the barrier you are trespassing and will not be covered by MAAC insurance.

If for any reason there are special circumstances please see a member of the executive. For example, For example, it is possible to get a non-flying membership if you are posted overseas for the year and simply want to remain on the mailing list.

Changes to MAAC Insurance

Our MAAC President Richard Barlow would like everyone to know that a few things have changed in the insurance arranged by MAAC.

In the past, if you were a paid up MAAC member and had the permission of a land owner, you could fly and be covered under the insurance policy. You still had to follow all the other MAAC safety rules.

The new insurance policy only covers you if you are at an official MAAC flying site. Richard and team are still working with the insurance company to restore the policy to previous terms and conditions.

There are several scenarios that I can think of where this could have an effect:

1. Some people like to take float planes to cottages and fly off the lake or rivers.
2. People flying Park Flyers in back yard, school yards and soccer fields.
3. People flying indoor models at a rented venue i.e. high school gym.
4. Flying demonstrations at events like Canada Day at the Canada Aviation Museum.

I am sure that some of these use cases will be resolved or worked around but in the mean time you should know that you MAY not be covered if you fly away from a formal flying field.

Stetson Flyers Winter Fun Fly—March 7



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