



"Actually, it started in a bar when this guy sez' to me,
'I bet you can't...'"

FlightLine

Newsletter of the Aurora Model Aircraft Club

December, 2005

2005 Executive

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Important Notices

Membership forms are included in this mailing. MAAC requires that their membership form be filled out and signed by the member. If you are paying both dues at the same time, you MUST include a signed MAAC form. Membership will not be processed if the MAAC form is not included AND signed.

Upcoming Meeting Schedule

G.W. Williams Secondary School – Staff Lounge / second Tuesday of each month

DECEMBER 13th

JANUARY 10th

FEBRUARY 14th

MARCH 7th

APRIL 11th

MAY 9th

"DECEMBER SWAP MEET NIGHT"

December 13, 2005

Dr. G.W. Williams Secondary School Staff Room

Set up between 7:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Club Business Meeting 7:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Swap 8:00 - 9:30 p.m.

Free for members and guests

Bring your on table or use the floor.

Contact Andrew Mellor, Entertainment Director for more information at (905) 836-6716.

AMAC FIELD IS A NON-SMOKING FACILITY!

Our lease agreement with the Town of Aurora stipulates that our facility will have a No Smoking policy. In plain simple terms, NO SMOKING ANYWHERE ON TOWN PROPERTY - THAT MEANS OUR AND ANY OTHER PART.

Website: <http://www.amacflightlines.ca>. Visit for all the information on the club!

AMAC Swap Meet coming up! March 19th Aurora Legion. Still lots of tables available.

A Note From The President:

No one said that this was going to be a boring year. The Executive has been working on a budget, which is included in this issue. Some assumptions were made about where the membership numbers will be and what our expenses will be for the coming year. Of course, these are only our best-effort guestimates, and events may make the whole process irrelevant. Clair has proposed a revised membership fee schedule, including an early-bird discount and a family rate to get more Juniors involved in the club. Just skip down and you'll see his budget and proposed membership schedule.

We have an opportunity with the December meeting (mini-swap-meet) to start checking out our workshops for items for the swap meet. Personally, I'm looking for someone to share a table with as I definitely do not have enough stuff in my shop to require a full table. Any takers?

We have had some bad news. Max Perez has found out his working schedule for the next while and he's going to be overseas a lot. Enough that he really doesn't think that he can do an effective job in Membership, and has tendered his resignation. Thank you, Max!

Well, we do have some openings for volunteers, as you can see from the masthead. None of the jobs are hard to do and only take a couple or three hours a month at the most.

Well it's getting towards Christmas, and on behalf of the Executive, I'd like to extend to you and your families the best wishes of the Executive for a safe and blessed Christmas season (regardless of your religious persuasion). If you happen to get some gadgets and new kits as gifts, please pack them along to the January meeting, as well as whatever projects that you're currently working on.

...Bruce

November Meeting Minutes

23 Open and Senior members, 1 Junior member, and 1 guest present
Three Directors present; Murray Berman, Ian Paisley, Roy Bourke
(This constitutes a quorum at the 20% of membership level)

Called to order at 7:30 PM by the Chairman, Murray Berman.

Entertainment (Show and Tell)

Ari Persaud displayed a Rapter 50 Version 2 helicopter that he had purchased at the recent hobby show. He will be equipping it with an OS 50 engine. This will be his first engine-powered helicopter, his previous helicopters being electric. He would appreciate any advice from members with experience with this type of helicopter or engine.

Business Meeting Called to order at 8:15 PM by the Chairman, Murray Berman

The minutes of the general meeting of 17 October 2005 were read by the Secretary, Roy Bourke. Motion to Accept.....B. Dealhoy / P. Maxwell.... ..Carried

Business Arising

Vote on New By-Laws Motion to accept the new By-laws of the corporation..... by W. Dike / F. Richter.....carried

Frequencies: Jim Judges reported that he had tested the flying field for interference on three separate days and at different locations, using his Hobbico frequency monitor. He found several cases of frequency interference in various groups of channels from channel numbers 22 to 26. Matt Stikeman agreed to contact the MAAC Frequency Chairman for advice on this, with a view to having the field checked by the Department of Communications.

Flying Field: The receipt for the purchase of the damaged shelter still has not been found.

Board of Directors Meeting The minutes of the Board of Directors meeting of 01 November 2005 were read by the Secretary. Since there wasn't a quorum of Directors present at the meeting, no decisions were made, but a list of outstanding issues were identified to be passed on to the incoming new executive.

Correspondence Murray Berman received a letter concerning the situation in the South East Zone of MAAC where a new zone director is not officially in place because of the lack of a quorum at the Annual Zone Meeting. Austin Taylor is in an acting position only, and a special zone meeting is being set up with the Ajax club on 17 November to formally elect a zone director. Proxy votes are being sought to help establish a quorum for this meeting.

Treasurer's Report Ian Paisley is still in the process of gathering outstanding financial transactions to be incorporated into the final financial report for the fiscal year. However, at the moment it looks as if we are running in a deficit position, even without consideration of depreciation on capital equipment, and will require either an increase in dues and other revenues, and/or a decrease in spending for next fiscal year. Including depreciation into the accounting will amount to an additional expenditure level of about \$1800. Ian will prepare the final financial report for the year at the next general meeting.

Membership Stephen Schweinberger was not present, but had forwarded a report to Murray Berman indicating a membership of 107 (54 Open, 13 Junior, 40 Senior)

Flying Field Murray reported that he had talked to Jim Tree about some of the work that needs to be done. Jim Tree offered to install some posts for the gate at the field and to supply some railings. Murray and Peter Maxwell will be visiting Jim Tree again. Someone has installed some fencing at the field to protect the pit area. Jim Judges noted that this creates a rather large pit area, which might cause a problem with fliers setting up pit positions in an uncontrolled fashion.

Indoor No Report

Swap Meet Clair Murray reported that the advertisement has been submitted to MAAC for the Model Aviation Canada magazine. It is not known as yet whether the zone will provide some funds for the meet.

Election of New Officers Murray Berman called for new nominations for each of the positions in order, and

declared acclamations as follows:

President.....**Bruce Dealhoy**.....no new nominations.....acclaimed

Vice President.....Chris Tatedeclined the nomination

Peter Maxwellnominated by R. Bourke / I Paisley.....acclaimed

Secretary.....**Jim Judges**no new nominations.....acclaimed

Treasurer.....**Clair Murray**.....no new nominations.....acclaimed

Membership.....Bruce Dealhoy.....withdrew from nomination

Max Perez.....no new nominations.....acclaimed

Entertainment.....**Andrew Mellor**.....no new nominations.....acclaimed

Max Perez will handle the web site. We still need a Newsletter Editor, and a Chief Flying Instructor.

Change of Chair

Murray Berman concluded his tenure as President with an address to the meeting, and turned the chairmanship over to the new President, Bruce Dealhoy at 9:15 PM. Murray was awarded a vote of thanks for his work.

Dues Increase Motion:.....S. Culham / W. Dike.....that Senior membership dues be increased from \$25 to \$50 for the coming yearCarried

Motion.....W. Dike / F. Richter.....that Open membership dues be increased from \$60 to \$70 for the coming year

At this point there was considerable discussion about the setting of dues for next year. Clair Murray pointed out that this is not the time to be making major changes to the dues structure, which could be very detrimental both to the club and to individual members, without having a complete and accurate financial accounting of the previous fiscal year and budgeting information for the coming year. At this time, the real deficit is not known. And it may be very possible to avoid a deficit by better budgeting and control of spending. Ian Paisley will be completing his final financial report very soon and can have it, and previous years' records, available to the new treasurer for consideration and audit in a few days.

Motion..... to table this motion to the following meeting.....M.Berman / L. Thorne.....Carried

Other traditional items for the beginning of a new fiscal year, such as discretionary spending limits for club officers, honoraria (free membership) for club officers, absolution of previous executive, etc. also will be deferred to the next General Meeting.

Adjournment.....9:45 PM

December Meeting Agenda:

Welcome (visitors and new members)

Review of November minutes

Old Business

- Thanks to past board for efforts
- Absolution

New Business

- Reports on activities by directors
- Review and of budget (Note, no vote is required)
- Review of membership fee schedule (vote is required)
- Volunteers for open offices

Time for a bit of swapping!

Aurora Model Aircraft Club Inc.

11/25/2005

Budget Projection 2005 / 2006

Income

| Membership | | | | Early Bird (Paid before Jan 1) | | | | |
|---------------------|-----|---|---------|--------------------------------|-----|---|---------|--------------------------|
| Open | 52 | @ | \$60.00 | \$3,120.00 | 52 | @ | \$55.00 | \$2,860.00 |
| Junior | 5 | @ | \$10.00 | \$50.00 | 5 | @ | \$10.00 | \$50.00 |
| Senior | 35 | @ | \$30.00 | \$1,050.00 | 35 | @ | \$25.00 | \$875.00 |
| Family | 10 | @ | \$70.00 | \$700.00 | 10 | @ | \$65.00 | \$650.00 |
| Total | 102 | | | | 102 | | | |
| Interest | | | | \$500.00 | | | | \$500.00 |
| Swap | | | | \$950.00 | | | | \$950.00 |
| 50/50 | | | | \$150.00 | | | | \$150.00 |
| Total Income | | | | <u>\$6,520.00</u> | | | | <u>\$6,035.00</u> |

Expenses

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|-----------------------|--|--|--|--------------------------|--|--|--|--------------------------|
| Banking | | | | \$100.00 | | | | \$100.00 |
| Depreciation | | | | \$1,600.00 | | | | \$1,600.00 |
| Field Maintenance | | | | \$1,200.00 | | | | \$1,200.00 |
| Field Rent | | | | \$1,000.00 | | | | \$1,000.00 |
| Indoor | | | | \$200.00 | | | | \$200.00 |
| Insurance | | | | \$450.00 | | | | \$450.00 |
| Meeting Room | | | | \$100.00 | | | | \$100.00 |
| Membership | | | | \$200.00 | | | | \$200.00 |
| Miscellaneous | | | | \$100.00 | | | | \$100.00 |
| Newsletter | | | | \$400.00 | | | | \$400.00 |
| President | | | | \$100.00 | | | | \$100.00 |
| RC Flight Instruction | | | | \$200.00 | | | | \$200.00 |
| Special Events | | | | \$200.00 | | | | \$200.00 |
| Website | | | | \$150.00 | | | | \$150.00 |
| Total Expenses | | | | <u>\$6,000.00</u> | | | | <u>\$6,000.00</u> |

Surplus **\$520.00** **\$35.00**

Buy and Sell:

Edward McMann (ededge@yahoo.ca or 905-898-1028) has an ideal starter package for anyone who's interested in a trainer: a Thunder Tiger trainer with a Hitec Laser 4 radio system and a Great Planes .42 engine. This is a great Christmas or birthday gift for the new flyer. A better description can be seen at <http://www.ededge.rchomepage.com/Tiger%20Traner>