

# MAAC'S ZONE B NEWSLETTER.

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As we are coming to an end of August, and are starting to settle in for the next season with school starting, and all the different gym's being available for indoor flying, why not approach the Principal of your school and let him know that your club is in the region, and if he is interested, your club would be available to do some modeling activity with his students, and maybe in return you would be able to have the use of his gym at his discretion, just my 2 cents of thought as it would be a win win situation for all.

I just received this note and picture from Al Eastman our trusted contributor to this News Letter with an interesting story to share with you all, so here is Al:

I spent a very interesting day with Edgil Dauphinee a good friend of myself and Rob Guildford. "Edge" as we call him is 94 year young and a former Spitfire Pilot in WW2. A VERY colourful gent with lots of fascinating stories about his life spend flying, as he continued to fly professionally until his retirement around 1985, what a wonderful man! The Shearwater RC Flyers of Dartmouth had an impressive display of models at the 42nd Annual Stanley Fly-in on August 31st. Hundreds of aviation enthusiasts take in the annual event sponsored



Here is a picture of Edgil, "Edge", and Rob going over some fine points with Dave Rowe that now doubt "Edge" pointed out.

by the Stanley Sport Aviation association every year over the Labour Day weekend. Shearwater Club President Dave Rowe, seated center, discusses the hobby with Rob Guildford of Lake Charlotte, and Edgil Dauphinee of Dartmouth. Rob has been a long time modeller with ASRCM and Edgil, in his 90's, flew spitfires in Belgium during WW2. It was Edgil's first visit to Stanley in 67 years, where he had spent three years as a Flight Instructor in Fleet Finches, prior to be shipped overseas for combat flying. At left is Dave's lady Leanne Lagace, also an RC modeller.

The Finch was developed to meet an RCAF requirement for a fully aerobatic, primary



trainer. The RCAF ordered the first batch of aircraft in July 1939 and powered by a Kinner R5-2, 160 hp engine, they were designated the Fleet Finch Mk. I. Most of these aircraft were delivered to the RCAF Central Flying School at Trenton, Ontario by early 1940.

The Fleet Finch Mk. II, powered by a Kinner B-5R, 130 hp engine, first flew from Fort Erie in March 1940. During the following year, over 400 Fleet Finch Mk. II were delivered to BCATP Elementary Flying Schools right across Canada, including RCAF Station Stanley in March 1941.

#### LAWRENCETOWN SLOPE FEST 2013 PUT ON BY HEFA FLYERS.

I cannot remember a more fun time at the Lawrencetown slope. Day one of the slope Fest saw about 26 people who participated throughout the day, and on day 2, Sunday, saw about 10. Good flying,



great people and fun all around. So cool to see everyone from long-time slope stalwarts to the first-timers sharing the experience and enjoying each other's company. The get together afterwards at my lot in West Lawrencetown was, for Mary and I,

a perfect cap to a great day. Thanks to those who were able to join us. A special shout-out to the Saint John crew

who came a long way to share the weekend with us and make it that much more special. And thanks, of course, to Andrew

Curran who first suggested this event and then



worked hard to promote and advertise it. Here is a few words from Steve and John;

Probably the best 2 slope flying days in my 24 years of sloping thank you everyone who came from near, far, and wide. Watching all the experienced powered flyers use their skills to fly un-powered planes, and have as much fun or even more fun than they're used to.

watching the newbie flyers on the trainer with

Vic, and watching the local glider pro's test-flying the new and experimental planes - thanks so much for that you guys - that was more fun than anything. Thunderbird 2 to the rescue... again... it didn't just fly nice, it flew REALLY friggin

nice, man o man what a nice ridge rocket, stay tuned for the aerobatics YouTube viddy.

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PiA28RYbl5c



Vic had given several people lessons yesterday, some of whom have never flown RC before. We were lucky to have

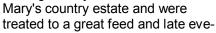




the weather cooperate. Beginning of day saw winds of 30 kph but this increased to 40 kph and the fog rolled in. Fog persisted for most of the day but occasionally cleared. In the afternoon the wind decreased to about 25 kph. Fli-



ers did not let the fog deter them and there were many strained eyes. That evening we adjourned to Vic and



ning electric flying and kiting.



Sunday started out calm <6 kph winds. Still enough for the big Pulsar, it quickly in-

creased to 20-25 kph which suited all types of models. In the late morning the fog rolled in again but not as thick as Saturday. By 1:30pm almost everyone was "Flown Out". A very satisfying session which left everyone looking forward to the next one.

With all the models flying we had very little damage. Trevor's big glider and my Claim Jumper suffered split fuse-lages on landing, but were repaired. Highlight was Cato Hansen flying the wrong model until he realized his model was no longer in the air. Where did it go? Where to look? (They always have



Mary to the rescue. She found it stuck in the ground to the West along the slope. The model suffered minimal damage. Chris Dean and Jim (from NB) won the Beach

Box lunches that were donated from the Heron's Nest Tea Room, in the MacDonald House.

Here Andrew, Cato and Chris is taking a break.

Our friend, Walter, in Tatamagouche, has very generously offered up a big prize for one

lucky newbie slope/glider pilot who attends the 2013

Slope Fest. Trevor Fennel was the lucky winner of that grand price. To see Walters place see here:

http://www.foresthaveninn.com





# SOUTH SHORE RADIO CONTROL FLYING CLUB FUN-FLY 2013.

I would like to thank Andreas Ritter for the write-up and Tyler Ernst for the pictures.

The SSRCFC had a great fun fly on August the 3rd. The weather was just right and we had 24 registered Pilots for the fly in. Anything from small Electrics, Helicopters to 1/4 scale gassers hit the air. A jummy BBQ at lunch time and

then the prices were drawn. I think everybody went home with some RC goodies. Every one had a great time with no major incidents. Out of town pilots were:



Steve Norman from Truro.

Shane Morse from Apple Valley flyers.

Dale Smith from Northumberland Flyers.

Mike Boulanger from Italy Cross.

Dan Anker from the Avon Club.

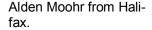
Chris Garret from Saint John Model Flying Club.

Randy Singelton from Avon Flyers.

Wayne Fish from

South West Flyers Yarmouth.

Drew Arenburg from Apple Valley Flyers.



Regis Landry our Zone Director from CRCPA Pokemouche, NB.

Plus 14 from our local club.





#### THE ATLANTIC 2013. BY AL EASTMAN.



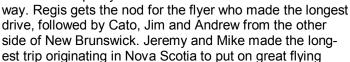
Twenty five flyers journeved to the MAST field in Truro on August 11th for the annual Warbirds Over The Atlantic Meet. The weatherman was definitely not on our

side this year as rain and high winds caused the cancellation of the original July 1st long weekend date, and again on August 10th rain forced another cancellation and a reschedule to the following Sunday as a rain date.

Still, the weatherman was not through and although the

skies were rain free, the day saw extreme windy conditions thrown at the attendees. "They even had to tie the poop house

down," Despite this there was a lot of flying which went better than expected as the wind was pretty much down the run-

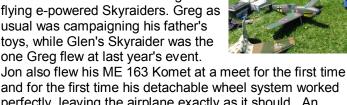




demos with their scale helis. Mike. Paul, Fred and Ben traveled from New Glasgow. Jon Eastman and Al Coolen wowed the crowd with their

warbird flying as did Glen Miller and Greg Hatt

usual was campaigning his father's toys, while Glen's Skyraider was the one Greg flew at last year's event.



and for the first time his detachable wheel system worked perfectly, leaving the airplane exactly as it should. An awesome and very unusual RC model. Vic Rusgys was heard trying to convince Jon to throw it off the Lawrencetown cliff as a slope soarer. Jon says he might try it although the first toss would be mighty hard to do I think. Among the larger and more unusual planes was an epowered B-17 owned by Paul Sinnis and a large gas powered B-25 built by Steve Mosher. To the horror of all the B -25 shed a wing in flight and was totally destroyed resulting in a considerable rescue mission to recover the bashed parts, particularly the fuselage which ended on a sandbar on the other side of the river.

The B-17 was of particular interest to me as it was built by a friend and former flyer Reg Bowers. Many times I saw it under construction in his basement. Reg left the hobby and I was surprised to learn that the one sitting in front of me, now electric powered, was the same model. Reg had four .25 glow motors in it the last time saw it.

Quite a number of spectators took in the flying throughout

the day as the Mast Field is in a very visible area of Truro on Marshland Drive behind what used to be the Zellers Mall.

Flyers at the Annual Warbirds Over The Atlantic Meet in Truro, pose for their portrait. The planes in the foreground are Al Coolen's p-40 and Jeremy Dann's large Mustang.





Paul Sinnis starts Al Coolen's familiar P-40. That's Al hanging on to the tail. Jeremy Dann and Mike Boulanger are working on their helis in the background. Among those far

to the rear are Atlantic Zone director Regis Landry and assistant Zone Director Sandy McInnis chatting with Steve Mosher.

Jim Lloyd flew his awesome E-powered SE5 in the heavy wind and despite the wind he made the best landing I've seen him do in the past couple of years. Jeremy Dann attaches the wing to his large



mustang while fellow modellers chat and

relax. Steve Mosher's beautiful B-25 at-



tracted a lot of attention at the meet. That's Steve, third from right

chatting with an unidentified modeller. Bill Babineau of the host Truro club is at extreme right and center is Atlantic Zone Director Regis Landry, the event promoter. Greg Hatt

(left) and Glenn Miller flew demos with these two Skyraiders. Both foam planes are Epowered. Greg's plane belongs to his dad John and Glen's version is the same one you might remember having a flap problem and crashing at last year's warbird meet.





Jon Eastman readies his ME 163 Komet for take-off. Jon uses a droppable dolly to get this plane in the air, not scale, but similar to the system used by the full sized plane in Germany during WW2.

# HELIS EAST 2013. BY JEREMY DANN



Hi Guys

The Wings of Wellington lucked out with a beautiful day in August. Pilots enjoyed a day of sun shine and light winds. Thanks to the work of our members the field was in excellent shape.

Flying Started at 9:30 and we did not wrap up until late afternoon. Everyone's thumbs were in good shape and crashes were almost non-existent other than an in-flight blade separation (photo below) which resulted in a lawndart type exit from the sky. A big thanks to volunteers Frank Hudgins, Chris Gaudet, Don MacPhee, Jacques Verville, Daniel Spencer (BBQ King), Jack MacDonald, and Christie Dann for their dedication and excellent work. And always Kudos to our sponsors Great Hobbies, Maritime Hobbies and Crafts, Mighty Small Cars, RC Wings and wheels, and RotorQuest who contributed close to \$1000 in give-aways and prizes – you folks are awesome!

Check out the video; http://youtu.be/EGAGKVdO0Yo

Chris Gaudet and Icon Team Pilot Matt Clark with Matt's Compass Heli after another amazing Flight. Matt's progress to 3D mastery has been very rapid – you can tell he practices.





Mike
Boulanger with his Tow Defender.
Mike has kept this heli in top
shape and

shape and he had it at many events in

the region over the last two years. Kevin Patterson and His Raptor 50 after another successful flight.



New WOW Member Troy Clayton and his son checking out Mikes collection of attack Helicopters.

Murray Latter at the registration



table with Christie Dann keeping things in order.

As the day came to an end, and we were all

congratulating ourselves on a major crash free day, Dan Dienes had a blade separation on his Century Swift at about 50 feet. The heli came straight down nose

first and the blades exited in opposite directions. This is the first time anyone had seen a blade (with grip still attached) do this. If you have to crash, it's nice to do it in style!



Darren Monk, his son Matthew, and Greg Gibson practicing on the Heli Games course. You can see Darren's 130x inverted over

the Hover Duck Challenge.

Frank hovering his Raptor 30 while I try to get a good shot from a Trex 500 on floats with a Gopro on



board.

All the pilots left with giveaways from our sponsors. Grand Prize winners (L-R); Darren Monk, Murray Latter,

Dan Dienes, Sarah Foote and Frank Hudgins.

Many thanks to our sponsors! All in good Fun – no practice (or special skill) was necessary; Speed Rings; Great Hobbies. Hover Duck Challenge; Maritime Hobbies and Crafts. Sprint Cup Challenge; Mighty Small Cars. Search and Rescue; RC Wings and Wheels. Oil Rig Pilot Training; RotorQuest.

# EASTERN CANADA FUN-FLY 2013. PICTURES BY PAMELA LLOYD.

August 16-17-18 "Les Ailes du Madawaska" was hosting the "Eastern Canada Fun Fly",

As I have no report, just pictures taken by Pamela, and a few words below, we just have to let the pictures speak for them self.

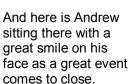
SJMFC made a good account of themselves with Sterling and Lori, Jim and me, Jamie and Carol, and

Andrew. Hugh and Jane came from Fredericton, and we all set up camp, and the night flying was a blast.

This was NOT a write up, but just something to rub my nose in as I missed a great weekend. Thanks Pamela.









# GANDER FESTIVAL OF FLIGHT 2013.

This is Stephen Mosher's ESM B-25 flying at the Gander Festival of Flight. Quite possibly the first B-25 to fly off Taxi Char-



Al Coolen's top recorded speed 242 mph, and the word is he is ordering a 180 for the Ultra Flash to see if he can beat Mark's 276 mph.



lie at YQX in nearly 70 years!

Sadly Stephen's B-25 had a fatal wing failure at the war



meet in Truro, but Stephen recovered most of the equipment from a dramatic rescue mission with at least 10 people in the peanut gallery watching and cheering.





This page was also submitted by Carl Layden, Thanks Carl.

Al Coolen hover his 40% scale DA 170cc powered Extra 300 while Stephen Mosher spotting.



#### SIGNAL HOBBIES FUN-FLY 2013.



These pictures are from the Signal Hobbies Fun-Fly Aug 17th. Members in attendance was from 3 clubs. St. John's RC Flyers, Club 4752 & Black Sheep RC fly-

ers. It was a great day for flying light breeze straight down the runway, sunny & 25C. The event is held on Bell Island just outside St.John's NL. Fred Col-



**bourne** owner of **Signal Hobbies** sponsors the event every year giving back to the RC community. There were more than a dozen RC pilots ranging in age from 11 to 80+. Everyone had a good time enjoying a few hamburgers & coke, and don't forget the ferry ride.



#### CLIFF ROONEY MEMORIAL FUN-FLY 2013.

Here's a few shots from the Cliff Rooney Memorial Fun-Fly in Stephenville. It was a great day for flying, light wind and lots of sun. The Waco being flown by Colin was origi-





nally built & flown by Cliff. It was a real treat when Colin let me fly it for a few minutes...Cliff use to do the same thing...real nice group of flyers you should come visit.





A big thank you goes out to Carl Layden for submitting this page.

#### HOBBY SHOPS IN OUR ZONE

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The new store is now located in Charlottetown with only administration in the Stratford location.

#### SANCTIONED AND OR PLANNED EVENTS IN THE ZONE.

#### September 7, 2013 - 1 day.

## SAINT JOHN MODEL FLYING CLUB.

#### SJMFC SEPTEMBER FUN FLY.

Come and join the members of the Saint John Model Flying Club at our September Fun Fly on Saturday, 7 September,

2013. Bring your Ace's logbook to complete another entry. No rain date is scheduled for this event. There is no entry fee, a BQ will be set up and the food is all free. We hope to see you there at our beautiful field, so bring your plane or planes and come and enjoy yourself



# <u>September 14, 2013 - 1 day.</u>

# HALIFAX ELECTRIC FLYERS.

# Halifax Electric Flyers 3rd Annual Fun Fly.

Halifax Electric Flyers Association will be hosting their 3rd Annual Fun Fly at



their Porters Lake Field on Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, with Sunday September 15<sup>th</sup>, as the rain date. The fun fly will take place at 9:30 AM with a BBQ at noon. Gas/Glow and Electric Models of all sizes are welcomed for this event. The full sized grass airstrip is 2400' long with a smaller hard packed sand strip for smaller models. Stay tuned

for up to date information at

#### www.halifaxelectricflyers.com.

Bring plenty of bug repellent, sunscreen, sunglasses and a chair. Admission will be \$5.00 at the field and a small fee for our delicious hotdogs and burgers. If you like to camp at Porters Lake? Go to http//



www.novascotiaparks.ca/parks/porters.asp for more information. So come all and have fun and we hope to see you there.



#### SANCTIONED AND OR PLANNED EVENTS IN THE ZONE.

# <u>September 21, 2013. – 1 Day.</u> <u>Westmorland Aeromodelers Club.</u> Westmorland Fun Fly.

Come on out in this late September Fun-Fly and have some fun. Registration will be \$10 and all proceeds will go to the local SPCA. We will have a BBQ at lunch and a 50/50 raffle. For directions any questions please email me at

eagle14b0@hotmail.ca







October 5, 3013 – 1 Day.
Wings Of Wellington R/C Aircraft Club.
Oktoberfest Fun Fly.

Hello Folks, once again The Wings of Wellington RC Club is Proud to announce that we will be holding our annual Oktoberfest Fall Fun-Fly. So please Come out for a Day of Fun, Great Food, Flying and Fel-



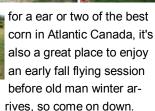


lowship. This is considered to be one of the last Fun Fly's of the season, so come on out and enjoy a great time. Event Date is October 5th at 9.00am and the rain date is October 6th. It cost \$5.00 to register, and that includes a very tasty BBQ lunch with refreshments and all the flying you can handle. MAAC membership card will be requested at registration. If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact me. And please check for updates on

September 28, 2013 - 1 day.

RIVERSIDE
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RMA ANNUAL
CORN BOIL.

The RMA annual Club Corn Boil, is our end of season event and we would like to welcome you all to drop in











# MAAC'S ZONE B NEWSLETTER.

#### FROM OUR ZONE DIRECTOR.



Hi again guys, another busy month has gone by, the War-Bird event went off great, with 25 pilots on registration, a little windy, but a nice day all the same, so a big thank you goes out to the MAST Club in Truro for letting me have the event on their field, and

for all the work that they do, I just show up, and it ready. Also went down to South Shore Flyers Event, and they have a nice field there with lots of upgrade, their event drew 24 pilots from all over the Maritimes. Then a trip up to Edmundston for their Fun Fly.

Just a note to please read the bulletin from Doug and Mark down below, lots of cheap Chinese equipment out there, just remember you get what you pay for so be careful with what you put in your plane. I will leave you with that, so have a safe and fun day next time you are out flying.

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#### M.A.A.C RADIO SPECTRUM COMMITTEE BULLETIN.

# M.A.A.C. Radio Spectrum Committee bulletin.

Over the last few weeks Mark Betuzzi and I have received a number of inquiries from concerned members regarding failures of new equipment they have recently purchased. There appears to be no pattern in respect to the type of failures or to any specific manufacturer. All reported failures involved 2.4 GHz spread spectrum equipment.

Two things that are becoming clear however are that at least some of these failures involve radios that are not approved by IC or FCC while some failures appear to be the result of equipment that was not properly installed per manufacturer's recommendations. It seems clear to us that there is still considerable misinformation circulating among some of our members about these important issues.

Mark has requested that the attached bulletin be circulated to your members as a reminder that 2.4 GHz equipment while extremely reliable does require some additional care in installation and operation.

Please consider this an interim meas-

ure pending final publication of the MSDs and MPPDs which address these same issues in greater detail.

Best regards, Doug Anderson 2819L Chair, MAAC Safety Committee

M.A.A.C. Radio Spectrum Committee bulletin

Please note the following:

Canadian law requires that all commercially available radio control systems used in Canada on the license-free bands must be approved by Industry Canada (IC). M.A.A.C. acknowledges that there are some brands commercially available in Canada or through mail order houses that are not approved by IC. In some cases such manufacturers and/or suppliers even affix fake FCC or IC approval stickers to their equipment. All members must realize that use of unapproved equipment while it may not be a safety concern, could result in prosecution under Canadian laws.

Most new radio systems are equipped with Fail safe. Fail safe if setup properly, will shut your motor off or bring it to idle in the event the on-board radio receiver loses the transmitter's radio signal. Please refer to your manual for proper binding and rebinding instruc-

tions. To check your failsafe, with your motor running, have someone hold the plane and then shut your transmitter off, your motor should stop or go to idle. If it does not, rebind your receiver with the throttle in the idle or off position.

It is also important to use heavy duty on/off/charge switches. Digital servos draw a great deal of current and the supplied switches with transmitters often will not take the current demanded of the new servos. 5 cell NIMH or NiCad packs are also recommended to use on-bard your aircraft. If running lots of new digital servos, the use of such products as Power Box and or Smart Fly products will ensure safe and trouble free flying.

Thank you, Mark Retuzzi - R:

Mark Betuzzi - Radio Spectrum Chair - M.A.A.C.

