

TASK



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SPRING is almost here...

.. the robins are back, wild ducks have been checking out the pond and a squirrel or coon seems to have gnawed through the shaft of my snow shovel.

We are in full swing (golf season already?) with a new building project. Are you?

The new sailplane is a 100" polyhedral with a foam wing and a ply fuselage – even more sanding than for a Bird of Time but I hope to have it ready for the Big Bird Bash in September.

If you missed the Indoor Glider Contest at the march meeting, there is a full report in this newsletter – Bud Wallace was the Winner of the Scale portion with a nicely decorated 1/72 Minimoa and the contest was judged by Bill Woodward. Suffice it to say that a jolly good time was had by all!

THE PRESIDENT SPEAKS

Here comes spring ready or not. Have you been busy in the workshop checking over all your models and radio equipment lately? It is later than you think! Why, of course you have checked over the batteries that seem to work just fine every year. Do you know what your battery capacity really is after four or five years of use? What about the servos and their mountings? Do you remember that hard landing at the end of the season that bent the wing a bit? Just a few moments checking the structural strength of the airframe will give peace of mind instead of pieces of this and pieces of that of what remains of the model after a bad crash landing. Who know what lurks in the heart of the model's wings? I bet some folks store them on their ends and then wonder why they have a different incidence or warp after a winter's improper storage. Just when you are ready to go out for the first time, make sure you have all your field supplies handy in your flight box. A new supply of glue, props and accessories will make for a successful outing! Don't forget to check the expiry date on the sunscreen. I had the habit of leaving it in the truck of the car where it got frozen, bad for the poor lotion! Oh, yeah; don't forget to check your vision at your optometrist if you haven't visited him for a few years. I found out that my vision had changed in six months requiring a cataract operation and a new lens. Your sunglasses are ok, or are they badly scratched up from kicking around in the car since last summer. A new pair may just be the answer to restoring your confidence for some high flying!

In conclusion, please do some routine checking of your models and your will improve your peace of mind and your pocket book to say the least!

WESTOVER SLOPE FLYING IS A PRIVILEGE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE HAMILTON CONSERVATION AUTHORITY.

1. Please observe the NO-Fly Zone which includes all buildings in front of the south side of the hill and the roadway on the west side.
2. Parking in the Church parking is permitted except during regular services and funerals. No parking on the roadway except at the bottom of the hill on the north side. The road to and from the top of the hill is too narrow and is a traffic hazard.
3. FIRE HAZARD DUE TO THE DRY GRASS EARLY AND LATE IN THE SEASON! Smokers take extra care in prevent grass fires.
4. Keep the site free of litter and garbage. Pick up any pieces of crashed models!
5. Basically observe the MAAC Safety code and the club field etiquette concerning frequency control. There is no board at the site so monitor your frequencies carefully.
6. Gliders only. No electric models of any type or size are permitted. This is just for Stanley and anyone else using the site. READ THE SIGN!

The best wind direction is from the south, south-east, or south-west. The north face works best with a north-east wind or due north. A north-west or west wind is impossible to fly. The wind has to be blowing at least 20 kmph or better for the models to fly comfortably. Marc Thomson had flown a model up to 50 kmph and survived! Check with your weather channel or nearest airport Hamilton for conditions. I use the Weather radio channel 162.55 to monitor the hour by hour conditions in Southern Ontario. The Marine forecasts are quite useful if you plan on sloping at Mohawk and Mountain Brow which works best with an east wind or south-east wind again 20 clicks or better.

So my fellow flyers I hope you have a great summer of flying providing Mother Nature gives us some good weather. It sure has been a nice start so far this Spring! Enjoy a safe flying season. See you at the field. Cheers!

MINUTES OF SOGGI MEETING February 12 2005

Bud Wallace called the meeting to order at 2.05 PM. There were 22 members present. Minutes of the January meeting were read by Bud Wallace. Motion to accept minutes as read Werner Klebert seconded Frank Mayer.

Presidents Report:

Stan welcomed three new members Frank Mayer David Woodhouse and Michael Kastelein

Business arising from the minutes:

The CMAS meeting will be in March not February.

New Business:

Stan Shaw said he will talk to Gerald Fritz and another member about becoming the club corporate secretary.

David Woodhouse pointed out that the logo on the back of the safety rules infringes on the copyrights of another company. Dick Colley said this would be looked after.

Bob Hammett said the safety rules would be posted on the clubs web site. Bob also asked for any web sites with good information about RC Gliders that could be listed on the SOGGI web site.

Contests:

The indoor glider contest will take place on the March 13 meeting. This will be a one of a kind contest using a Minimoa 1/72 scale glider. There will be points awarded for the longest flight and decorative design. Plans will be posted on the web site and Dick Colley will E-Mail plans to all members on the web.

Bill Woodward asked if all tentative dates for contests run by SOGGI, COGG, CMAS, Can-Am, and Oakville clubs could be posted on the web site. Bill also said there may be an Aero Tow at Springvale run by the Seneca Club. Chris Mc Hugh was the contact person.

Advertising:

The distribution list of hobby stores for SOGGI pamphlets was discussed. Some of the locations were not deemed feasible as they do not sell RC products. Factors which contribute to getting new members.

1: Good leadership

2: Flying fields

3: A show of friendship to new members.

4: Good instructors and available time for instructions

5: Recognize new faces at the field and make them feel welcome.

6: Make the names of the instructors be available - List on a card and the web site.

Make new members aware of flight simulators to aide in their learning how to fly. Use the web site to list addresses of good information about RC gliders. E.g. rcsailplanes.com.

Juri Vosu said that when advertising the club that electric sail planes electric sports planes should be mentioned.

The topic of flight logs was brought up this enables you to keep track of battery life and the number of times your models are flown.

A suggestion that the club have a library of books and videos was turned down.

Safety:

A new member should be made aware that some older wide band radio transmitters are now illegal. Any new member should have a pre flight check by an instructor before turning on his radio.

The topic of rogue pilots using SOGGI's flying sites was discussed. A sign is posted at Ben Schouten's lane as you enter the property.

A draw was held for 2 kits Dick Fahey won a Gentle Lady and Werner Klebert won an Electra.

Motion to adjourn: Juri Vosu seconded by Doug Wilkins Meeting closed at 3:35 P.M.

Show and Tell:

Warren Kelly had a free flight rubber band powered old timer. Stan Shaw had two kits for sale.

MINUTES OF SOGGI MEETING: March 12, 2005

Stan Shaw called the meeting to order at 2.05 PM.

There were 16 members present and one guest Mike Taziar. Minutes of the February meeting were read by Cliff English. Motion to accept minutes as read Bill Woodward seconded Bud Wallace.

Business arising from the minutes:

Gerald Fritz has accepted the position of Corporate Secretary. The club photo album will be forwarded to MAAC for their archives.

New Business:

Mike Taziar collected proxy votes for the upcoming zone meeting.

Mike said that the cost of insurance for MAAC this year was \$126,000.00.

Dues for MAAC next year will probably be \$75.00.

Dick Colley gave out DVD's which featured a slide show about gliders and slope soaring.

Fields:

The Westover Drumlin site has been registered with MAAC and we have the authorizations from the Conservation Authority to fly there.

The same club rules will apply again this year.

No fly zone, no Sunday parking at the church parking lot, park at the bottom of the hill.

The rules pertaining to the Westover field will be published in the Task

Dick Fahey asked about the best time to slope soar at Drumlin field.

Ideal conditions are winds at 15 to 25 Km/h. The best wind direction is south or south-west.

Motion to adjourn Werner Klebert seconded by Keith Armstrong

Meeting closed at 3:35 P.M.

The winners for the indoor glider contest were Bud Wallace for the Minimoa contest and Dick Colley for the open class. A Dremel tool kit was awarded as a prize. Because Bud already had a Dremel tool kit he gave the prize to Keith Armstrong the second place finisher in the Minimoa contest.

Thanks to Bill Woodward for running the contest this year.

INDOOR Glider Contest 2005

At the suggestion of Bill Woodward, a one design contest for a 1/72 scale Minimoa glider was scheduled for the March meeting. The rules specified that the model had to be made from 1/32 balsa sheet and finished in one of the colour schemes used for the early production gliders. However, some ingenuity was showed by several flyers. Keith Armstrong built his wings with a camber as he wetted the balsa and wrapped it around a four inch PVC pipe! It was quite sensitive to the launching speed but managed to glider to the wall. Budd Wallace showed us all with his smooth flying model that held the glide path right to the wall coming 4 cm and 5 cm from the wall! Talk about consistent flying technique that made the most of the model's design. Dick Colley managed a good 6 cm from the wall attempt but missed with 54 cm on the second attempt. Stan Shaw flamed out with a bad crash on the first attempt and flying through the open door missing the wall completely on his second flight. Bill quietly closed the door for the remainder of the contest! Werner tried to get his model to fly well but came up far short of the wall.

The final score was a combination of craftsmanship (max or 5 points) and finish, color, markings for a maximum of 10 points, maximum of 10 points for flying.

You were allowed two attempts to get closer than 10 cm to the wall.

Budd Wallace scored 4.5 on craftsmanship, 9 on finish and 10 points for getting closer than 10 cm to the wall for a total of 23.5 points.

Keith Armstrong scored 5 for craftsmanship, 9 for finish and only 7 for flying for second place with 21 points.

Dick Colley scored 3 for craftsmanship, 7 for finish, and 10 points for flying for third place with 20 points.

Stan Shaw scored three for craftsmanship, 8.5 for finish and one point for flying for a fourth place score of 12.5.



There were some secrets disclosed to the flyer! It seems some of them did not use 1/32 sheet for every part of the model. Budd and Keith were the only ones who used 1/32 on all parts of the model! Congratulations to Budd Wallace on his fine building skills and superior flying technique!! WELL DONE!! Thanks to Bill Woodward for judging and scoring the event. The peanut gallery had a great time watching the show.

Where were all the other members who didn't show up with a model? The winner took home a super prize. It was a portable electric dremel tool with twenty different tools! Actually it was Keith Armstrong since Budd had just purchased one last week so he graciously declined the prize in favour of Keith. Isn't life strange how things work out?

The open class glider contest attracted only three competitors. It was a man on man contest

with Werner Hildesheim getting closest to the wall on each of the two attempts. Second was Stan Shaw and third was Dick Colley. Again it must have been the good weather that kept some of the members away!

Thanks again to all who took time to participate in the event. You will never know what you missed at the meeting! Lots of fun and cheap entertainment!
Stan Shaw

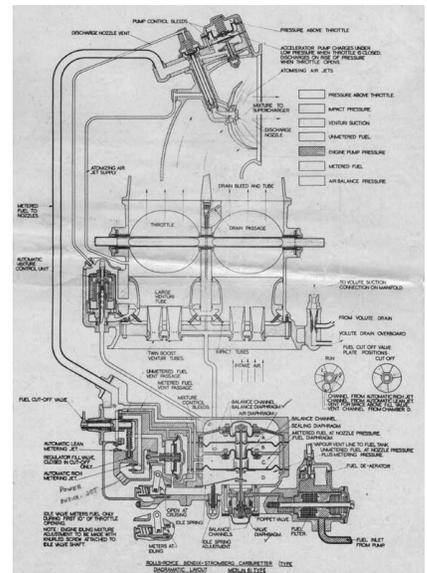
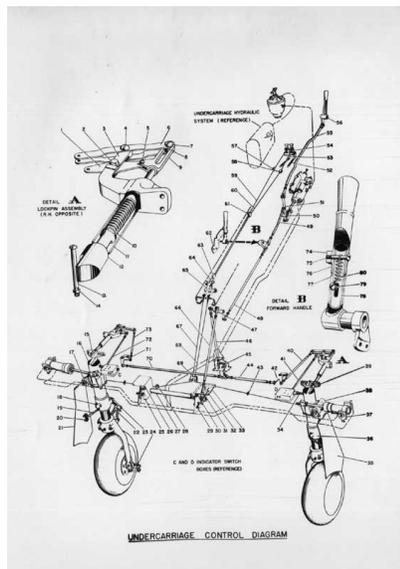
You asked us...

A new column for those hard to answer questions...
Send in your questions and our team of experts will help you find the right answer!



There were no questions this month – good work, you-all seem to know it all!

Construction Pictures:



Kevin's Spirit 100 Wing



Kevin's Spirit 100 Fuselage

For Sale: Want Ads: Personals

For Sale:

Computer Hardware

- 1 – SCANNER, Flatbed, Like new
Artec 1236USB, 32-bit Colour, 19200 dpi resolution, W95/98 Compatible.....\$50.00

Computer Software

- ~~1 – NASCAR Racing 3~~ SOLD
- 1 – RED BARON, WWI flight sim game
- 1 – USNF97, Janes US Navy fighters Simulator\$10.00ea

Contact Dick at 905-689-7761 or colleydogge@execulink.com

For Sale:

- 1 – AstroFlight Model 110, Charger - Peak detecting
4 -12 cells, 4.5A charge rate, for 450-1700maH Batteries
12V DC Input (Car Battery).....\$50.00

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This could be your add here!

Lowest Rates in Town

Is there anybody out there? – Who has an article inside just bursting to get out

- We publish for free!

Suggestions for a Winter Project

- Tension Gauge for Hi-Starts
- Foam wing Cutter – Computer Driven

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Deadline for April Issue of Task: March 22nd 2005

2005 Calendar of Events

DATE

- **2005**
- **Flying Instructor Safety School - TBA**

- **CONTEST DATES**
- **Flying Aces Dates – courtesy of Dick Fahey**
- **May14, May 28, June 4, June 25, July 16, July 30, August 13, August 27, Sept 10 and 24**
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- **Refer to attached sheet for listing**

SOGGI Contest Schedule - 2005

Date	CD Name	Type of Contest	Club	Phone Number
Sunday, May 15, 2005	Jozef Banial	2 Meter	C.O.G.G	905-567-3925
Saturday, May 28, 2005	Bill Woodward	Aerotow Season opener	C.M.A.S Fergus	519-653-4251
Sunday, May 29, 2005				
Sunday, June 05, 2005	Doug Pike	Open Men on Men	C.O.G.G	905-451-0791
Saturday, June 11, 2005	Stan Shaw	Elec.Spd 400 F5J	(SOGGI Open) Rain Date Sun. 12th	519-763-7111
Saturday, June 18, 2005	Bud Wallace	Golden Oldies	S.O.G.G.I.	905-274-3177
Saturday, June 25, 2005	Bill Woodward	Aerotow Pos.vintage	C.M.A.S Fergus	519-653-4251
Sunday, June 26, 2005				
Saturday, July 02, 2005	J.Nunn & B.Booth	Task: open Duration	C.O.G.G	705-728-4467
Sunday, July 03, 2005				
Saturday, July 09, 2005	Stan Shaw	Elec.Spd 400 F5J	(SOGGI Open) No Rain Date	519-763-7111
Sunday, July 10, 2005	Bill Woodward	OB Memorial	SOGGI (Club Day)	519-653-4251
Saturday, July 16, 2005	Bill Woodward	Aerotow	Can-Am	519-853-4251
Sunday, July 17, 2005				
Saturday, August 13, 2005	Frank Philih	Aerotow	Oakville Club	416-251-1619
Sunday, August 14, 2005				
Saturday, August 20, 2005	Stan Shaw	Elec.Spd 400 F5J	(SOGGI Open) No Rain Date	519-763-7111
Sunday, August 21, 2005	Mike Thomas	Elec.Spd 400 F5J	C.O.G.G	416-748-2833
Sunday, September 04, 2005	Dick Colley	Big Bird Bash	SOGGI (open) Rain Date Mon.5th	905-689-7761
Saturday, September 10, 2005	Gudmund Thomson	Aerotow Arnprior	Ottawa Club	613-837-0848
Sunday, September 11, 2005				
Sunday, September 11, 2005	Tony Boothman	RES class	C.O.G.G	705-722-8830
Sunday, September 11, 2005	Bob Sherlicker	Open F3J	C.O.G.G	905-820-2789
Sunday, September 18, 2005	Roy Bouke	Sport Elec.Sailplane	C.O.G.G	416-493-0111
Saturday, September 24, 2005	Bill Woodward	Aerotow Season Ender	C.M.A.S Fergus	519-653-4251
Sunday, September 25, 2005				

COUNTRY LIFE (or What the Papers Say..)

British Rail are looking at the idea of improving the service between Luton and London by making more trains stop at Luton.
- **Luton Evening Post**

The cellar of her home was equipped with a rack, a bed of nails, whips and a pillory. Maria said she ran her whipping service to avoid drawing social security.
- **South African Sunday Times**

Commonwealth security staff and army disposal experts have successfully blown up a box of mangoes at Townsville Airport.
- **Melbourne Herald**

A liquor store was looted and police opened fire after they were stoned.
- **Cape Times**

Different Perspectives

A plane was taking off from Toronto Airport. After it reached a comfortable cruising altitude, the Captain made an announcement over the intercom, "Ladies and gentlemen, this is your captain speaking. Welcome to Flight Number 397, nonstop from Toronto to Manchester. The weather ahead is good and, therefore, we should have a smooth and uneventful flight. Now sit back and relax... OH, MY GOD!"

Silence followed, and after a few minutes, the captain came back on the intercom and said, "Ladies and Gentlemen, I am so sorry if I scared you earlier. While I was talking to you, the flight attendant accidentally spilled a cup of hot coffee in my lap. You should see the front of my pants!"

A passenger in Coach yelled, "That's nothing. You should see the back of mine! Eh!"

Time Zones

On some air bases the Air Force is on one side of the field and civilian aircraft use the other side of the field, with the control tower in the middle. One day the tower received a call from an aircraft asking, "What time is it?" The tower responded, "Who is calling?" The aircraft replied, "What difference does it make?" The tower replied "It makes a lot of difference. If it is an American Airlines flight, it is 3 o'clock. If it is an Air Force plane, it is 1500 hours. If it is a Navy aircraft, it is 6 bells. If it is an Army aircraft, the big hand is on the 12 and the little hand is on the 3. If it is a Marine Corps aircraft, it's Thursday afternoon."

MATTHEW ARNOLD:

Is it so small a thing

To have enjoy'd the sun,

To have lived light in the spring,

To have loved, to have thought, to have done...