



# TASK



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### *Beware the Ides of March, better make that April...*

*But who are ye in rags and rotten shoes,  
You dirty-bearded, blocking up the way?*

*We are the Pilgrims, master; we shall go  
Always a little further: ...\**

*...at least to Toledo each spring*

No doubt James Elroy Flecker drew upon his experiences as a sailplane club magazine Editor when he penned those famous lines. Every once in a while the most basic of tasks is subjected to a tenth order of attack by the Law of Arkwright Sod – it is not foreseeable, it is not easily fended off by application of rationale and generally the whole world takes on an antipodean surreality of elastic time frames and Uncle Albert's Curved Space. Thank goodness that we were able to apply Chaos Theory in many cases and also selectively ignore negative trending outcomes with a well chosen phrase or saying.

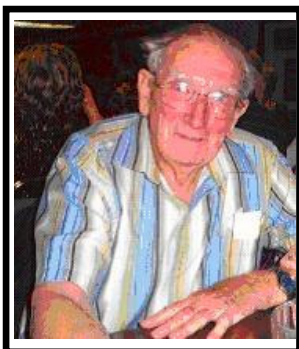
*What would ye, ladies? It was ever thus.  
Men are unwise and curiously planned.\**

*\* Golden Journey to Samarkand by James Elroy Flecker*

Just a round about way of saying the Task is a little late this spring.

## **Peter Ashton**

**1921 – 2010**



Earlier this year we saddened to hear that Peter Ashton had passed away peacefully after a long illness. Peter became a SOGGI Member in the late 1980's and served as Vice President in 1991. Peter also was a club instructor and had even been known to pen the occasional article for TASK under the nom-de plume Perry Ashton.

Peter's planes also reflected their builder. From the Thermal Queen – with its "Save the Whales" stickers, to the Bird of Time with the poem from Omar Khyam scribed on its Rudder, to the sleek Multiplex Full-house planes and not least the many Mistrals. In fact the Thermal Queen still flies at the Big Bird Bash event – almost 30 years after being built.

Peter later on donated several planes to the club with the proceeds helping to augment club funds. A legion service was held at the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 530, Waterloo. Fred Freeman and Dick Colley were able to attend and convey condolences to on the club's behalf to Pete's wife Margaret and the family.

The new executive has been busy getting up to speed and addressing many of the issues that have arisen following the changes to the MAAC Safety code. They have been striving to maintain a balance between rights to privacy for our members and exercising the due diligence required for the keeping of club records and the many safety issues.

The MAAC AGM was held this year in our zone and Ray Munro, Les Peer and Dick Colley attended. The meeting was held in the White Oaks Conference Centre in NOTL and ran smoothly. We did learn the Lifetime Achievement Awards had been approved for both Stan Shaw and the late Bud Wallace.

**Paper Airplane Contest:** The sheet of instructions attached to this issue of the TASK details how to fold a sheet of paper to make an award winning paper airplane. You are invited to bring your best efforts to the April meeting and join in a friendly endurance contest.

### **SOGGI at the WPHM by Les Peer**

On 21 February 2010 the Southern Ontario Glider Group Inc. (SOGGI) supported Heritagecon 2010 by displaying our models at the 4<sup>th</sup> annual model contest. Heritagecon4 is a one day modelling contest arranged by the IPMS Hamilton Modellers Club and hosted at the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum (CWHM) near Hamilton. The contest encourages juniors to take an interest in aviation by making models, raises money for the CWHM and gives vendors an opportunity to supply new and not so new models and supplies. The contest gave SOGGI members a wonderful venue to promote gliding and the activities of our club to young people who might be our future designers, builders and aviators.

Saturday night afforded the eight participating members the opportunity for an easy set up and the chance to tour many of the museum's aircraft not normally open to the public. Most of the 600 attendees had to pass by SOGGI's strategically located booth, affording our attending members with plenty of opportunity to explain their designing, building and flying activities.

Thanks go to the following for their support:

- Derek Hartwell** who brought his bare bones Gentle Lady glider to demonstrate model construction.
- Werner Klebert** who showed his newly designed and built 2Metre glider. Werner also supplied a wonderful photographic essay on the step by step building of this glider. This ran alternately with SOGGI field photos on a laptop.
- Dick Colley** showed an electrically assisted glider.
- Ray Munro** showed a fling glider.
- Jack Linghorne** provided an electric sport flyer.
- Bob Hammett** showed a free flight rubber powered craft.
- Peter Clarke** showed the club Olympic 2 trainer.
- Les Peer** showed a much flown 2 Metre Gentle Lady glider.



All attending thought the event afforded a good opportunity to promote our activities and to pass a pleasant day with fellow modellers.

### **SOGGI at the Burlington RC Club by Les Peer**

On the evening of 25 February 2010 four SOGGI members braved a threatening snowstorm to make a presentation to the Burlington RC Modellers Inc. on our gliding and free flight activities.

Our members and their presentations were very warmly received by the BRCM. In fact there were so many questions from the members that we ran out of time. Before finishing.

The presentation was made as we wished to make contact with other flyers in our area, to encourage gliding within their activities, to encourage those who glide and free fly to participate in our contests and fun fly days.

Thanks go to the following participants: **Ray Munro, Warren Kelly, Richard Fahey and Les Peer**. Richard is also thanked for arranging the event.

**Minutes of SOGGI meeting held January, 2009**

Ray Monroe opened the meeting by commenting on the very successful Christmas party attended by 22 members. He suggested that members thank their wives for their help which was responsible in no small degree for its success. He also thanked Tony for putting on a magic show. He then reported that collection for the food bank had been successful and that donations would continue to be accepted at future meetings.

Minutes of the December meeting were accepted unanimously. Moved by Stew Watson, seconded by Werner Hildersheim

Report by Werner Klebert concerning the flying fields:

Derek had delivered the Christmas gifts to the owners of the fields.

The front part of Schouten's field would be available next year.

If necessary the field at Chippewa and Nebo road would be available as an alternative if needed

Placement of the outhouse was discussed at length. Werner suggested that if necessary a rental be looked into.

Renewal forms were discussed at length

Dick Colley Les Peer and Jack Linghorne were working on the form which they hoped to present at the next meeting. It was pointed out that most clubs now used such a form for a number of reasons, one of which was to show compliance with MAAC rules for insurance to protect all the members of the club from legal challenges.

- a) That each member should be required to fill out and sign a renewal form each year.
- b) That the form state that the member agrees to become (and stay) conversant with the current club and MAAC rules and to follow them.
- c) The member must submit proof of current MAAC membership before they are given their club membership
- d) The current updated club rules will be made available to the members when they have been finalized
- e) Dick and Bob volunteered to update the rules for membership approval.
- f) The updated form would be submitted to the membership at a future meeting for approval.
- g) Each member would be given one of the approved forms this year and required to sign it.
- h) That a place on the form would enable members to state what frequencies they used.

Contest dates decided on:

Bud's Golden Oldies	June 19	Bob Hammett CD
Otto Bandman Club day	July 17	Ray Monroe CD
Big Bird bash	Sept 5	Dick Colley CD
Three contests to be run during the week		
Dates:	May 20	Bob Hammett CD rain date - Monday the 24 <sup>th</sup>
	Aug 12	Ray Monroe CD
	Sept 30	Dick Colley CD

The need to provide contests that will enable members to fulfill LSF requirements was discussed at length and it was decided to get the weekly contests sanctioned for LSF and advertised as such in the MAAC magazine in the hope of increasing registration.

It was also suggested that the CD be authorized to relax the rules at the contests so that if for instance someone with a 2 meter glider shows up at Bud's Golden Oldies or at the Big Bird Bash they can be allowed to fly.

Warren was asked to submit dates for free flight contests if the free-flighters wanted them but declined because of other commitments. Bob Hammett volunteers to CD one etc

Ray Monroe proposed that a form be affixed to the frequency board outlining the procedure to be followed if an accident occurred. Werner agreed to look into the creation of such a form. Executive to finalize the form

The need to update the club rules and possibly the constitution to reflect changes in MAAC and club rules was discussed and agreed upon. It decided that the easiest way to do this was digitize the back issues of the TASK so that all the past motions could be identified. Dick Colley promised to continue to doing this.

Les Peer offered to continue the practice of providing coffee and cookies for 50 cents a person and pointed out that it was now available which caused an instant termination of the meeting.

NOTE: HeritageCon 4

On Sunday Feb 21 the modelers of plastic planes etc are having their show at the aviation museum. We can have booth if we want one. It would entitle those who man the booth to:

1. Free admission on the day of the show
2. Free admission to the museum the night before when free pizza and coffee will be served and the chance to sit in the cockpit of a Spitfire and possibly a few others?

Please decide before the next meeting if you think we should have a booth, and if so whether you would be willing to help man it.

To learn more go to <http://www.ipmshamilton.com/>

## Minutes of the February Meeting

Ray opened the meeting 14 present so we had a quorum

Minutes of January meeting accepted Tony Baptist moved, Peter Clark seconded

First item of business:

Ray asked if the Membership Form was OK? Accepted unanimously by members present .Members not on email list were sent a copy of the form and if they were not heard from it will be assumed they approve its form

Question raised - were members sent a membership list last year? – Members were given the option of not having it on the list

Peter Clark

32	paid up members
4	were not paid up
3	members will probably join but 1 will probably not

Had not received statement from bank

He had not received the contract for Westover

He was still waiting for a letter from McNally

Warren Kelly reported getting \$10.00 for a wing kit

Discussion returned to membership list and after a great deal of discussion Les Peer proposed the following:

The list should only be given to paid up members

It should not be posted on the web site

The list should be mailed to paid up members

Members should indicate what information about them is to be put on the list

Motion was unanimously accepted

Discussion about how members could notify others when they were going flying no final decision was arrived at -some favored posting something on the web site -others suggested the telephone

Discussion next moved on to the fun flies

Bob Hammett and Ray said they had received sanction for their fun flies

Dick said he had not sent in his application because he did not know what entry fee to charge and how it should be advertised

A great deal of discussion ensued as different members gave their opinions Many different excellent ideas were proposed but it was finally decided to defer further discussion until the executive had looked into the matter when it became obvious that no agreement would be forthcoming at the meeting because of time limitations

Club crests - Several members said they had never seen one

Jack said he had seen some small decals in a box of club records that Bob Hammett had at present

Dick offered to make up a high resolution digitized version so members could have different sized decals if a design was given to him

Stan said that Julian had provided crests but that he was no longer in business and suggested that Kurt or his dad be contacted. Dick offered to contact them

Coffee break taken

Les brought up the question of having a table at the meeting at the museum. It was decided unanimously that the club should rent two tables and many members offered to help set up and man the booth. Werner and a number of other members offered to bring planes for display

Dick Fahey offered to borrow two stands for planes from MAAC and give them to Les who accepted the offer

Bob Hammett was to be contacted for the banner etc when he returned from holiday

The presentation at the Burlington club was discussed and final arrangements made

Meeting adjourned

Show and tell followed

## A Three Day Series for FreeFlighters

Tigertown Squadron of the Flying Aces Club and the Southern Ontario Glider Group invites you to our 6th annual freeflight event.

This year for the first time we have planned the event as a Series, to be flown on 3 widely-spaced dates with accumulated scoring. The Series dates are **Sunday June 13, Thursday August 26, and Sunday September 26**. There will be no rain dates.

FAC contest categories will be organized wherever interest exists based on your prior feedback to us.

Or come and fly just for the fun of it!

Beginners are very welcome ... come and meet the most interesting people in the world. Find out what works and what doesn't.

To keep the neighbours happy, dethermalizers will be needed and regrettably internal combustion models cannot be accommodated. Most other classes of freeflights are welcome (Rubber, gliders, CO2, compressed air, Jetex, Rapier, electric etc).

### Registration

Participants will be asked to register on each date, and show a valid MAAC or AMA Membership Card.

A nominal attendance-fee charged on each date will be accumulated, and then awarded on the final date as contest prize money.

Flying will begin each day at 8:00 AM and continue until conditions dictate otherwise.

In case of un-flyable weather, to reward those dedicated freeflighters who do show up, the attendance fees from that particular day will be redirected to cover their gate admission at the nearby Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum. The Museum is truly a gem, so your day won't be wasted!

A "thank you for keeping the economy humming" scoring handicap will be awarded to FAC competitors who must work at their paying job on Thursday August 26, and will therefore miss competing on that date of the series. If this is your case, please let us know in advance so we can adjust your scoresheet.

Full information is on the SOGGI Message Board at <http://soggi.ca/phpBB3/viewtopic.php?f=8&t=33>

***Come, fill the Cup, and in the Fire of Spring  
The Winter Garment of Repentance fling:  
The Bird of Time has but a little way  
To fly---and Lo! The Bird is on the Wing.***

For Sale:

Place your Ads. here -----> \*

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**Deadline for December Issue of Task: February 22nd 2010**

**2009/10 Calendar of Events**

**2010**

- March 14 Members meeting Rockton Library 2:00pm
- April 11 Members meeting Rockton Library 2:00pm
- April 11 Indoor Contest Rockton Library 3:00pm

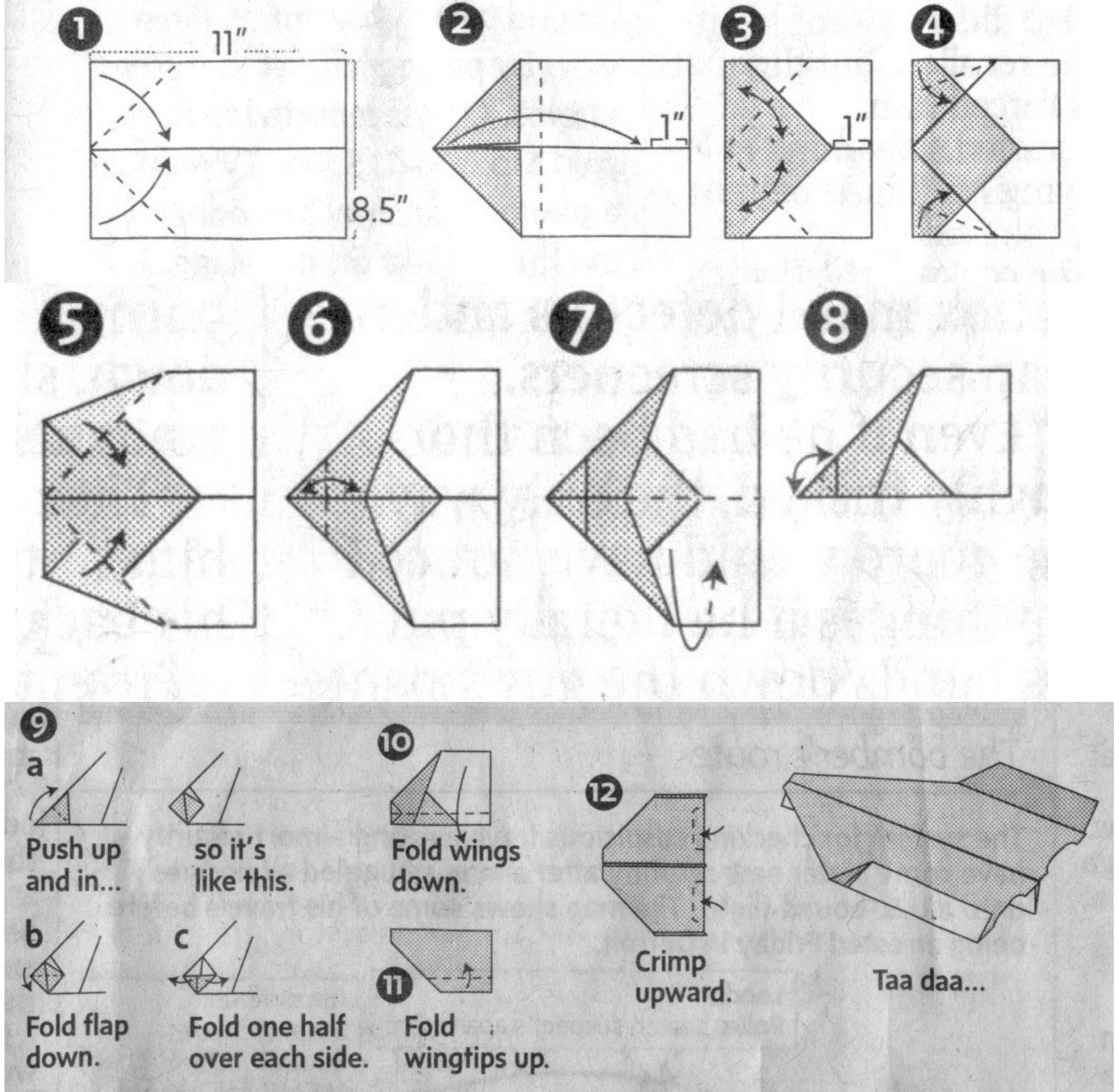
**2010 Flying Events - Combined List**

Date	Event	Location	CD Name	Phone:	e-mail:
Saturday, June 19, 2010	Budd's Golden Oldies	SOGGI	Bob Hammett	519-759-1939	<a href="mailto:the_hammetts@rogers.com">the_hammetts@rogers.com</a>
Thursday, May 20, 2010	Free Flight Fun Fly	SOGGI	Sam Burke	519-741-5984	<a href="mailto:samburke@rogers.com">samburke@rogers.com</a>
Saturday, July 17, 2010	Otto Bandman Club Day	SOGGI	Ray Munro	905-529-7117	<a href="mailto:rays325e@yahoo.com">rays325e@yahoo.com</a>
Thursday, August 12, 2010	Free Flight Fun Fly	SOGGI	Sam Burke	519-741-5984	<a href="mailto:samburke@rogers.com">samburke@rogers.com</a>
Sunday, September 05, 2010	Big Bird Bash	SOGGI	Dick Colley	905-296-4027	<a href="mailto:colleydogge@execulink.com">colleydogge@execulink.com</a>
Thursday, September 30, 2010	Free Flight Fun Fly	SOGGI	Sam Burke	519-741-5984	<a href="mailto:samburke@rogers.com">samburke@rogers.com</a>

## Record in flight

Japanese paper airplane virtuoso Takuo Toda set a world record yesterday for a hand-launched plane made with only paper, achieving 26.1-seconds of flight but falling just short of the 30-second barrier he was trying to break. In keeping with traditional rules of the ancient Japanese art of origami, he used only one sheet of paper, which he did not paste or tape. Follow the diagrams below to make your own.

HOW TO MAKE IT YOURSELF:



HOW TO FLY IT

The secret to throwing a paper airplane is to aim upward - not straight - that it has time to gain attitude and slowly circle back to the ground.

"The throw technique is very delicate,' Mr. Toda says.

