



MAAC'S ZONE B NEWSLETTER

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Takeoff is optional
But landing is mandatory

October 2019



Kevin Beaver's big Sopwith



A micro drone video made at the St. John's R/C Club Fun fly



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z9bmkc_qaNM



Greenfield fall bash



Atlantic Zone annual meeting

And a lot more!

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South Shore Radio Control Flying Club, GREENFIELD FALLBASH



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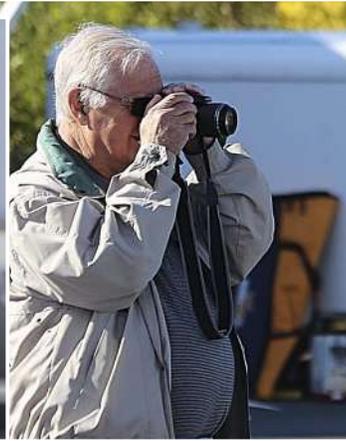
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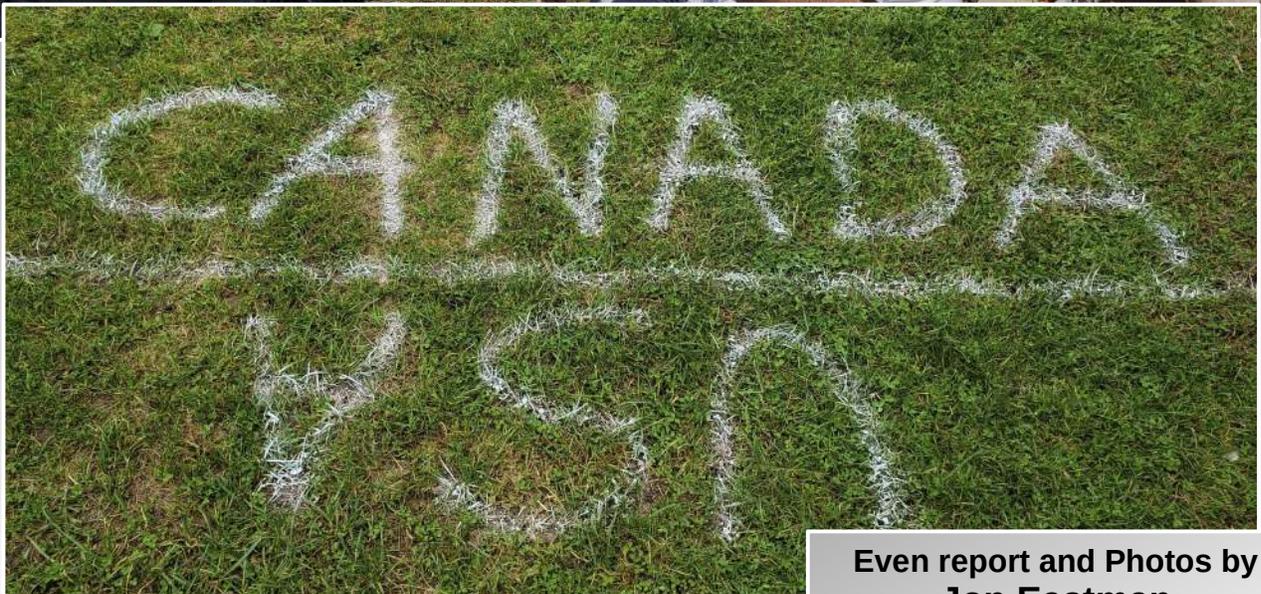


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Neat Fair 2019

The Northeast electric aircraft technology fair happens each September in the Catskills in northern New York state. This event is something that I have now attended 4 years in a row, and it is something that I will be going for a long time going forward. The Maritimes were well represented this year once again. Jim and Pamela Lloyd, David Nicholson and wife Lori, as well as Barb Davis and myself all showed up to attend this week long event. This year almost 300 pilots were registered and I cannot tell you just how many airplanes were there, but it was in the thousands, and there was every kind of airplane you could imagine, as well as some vendors selling their products.

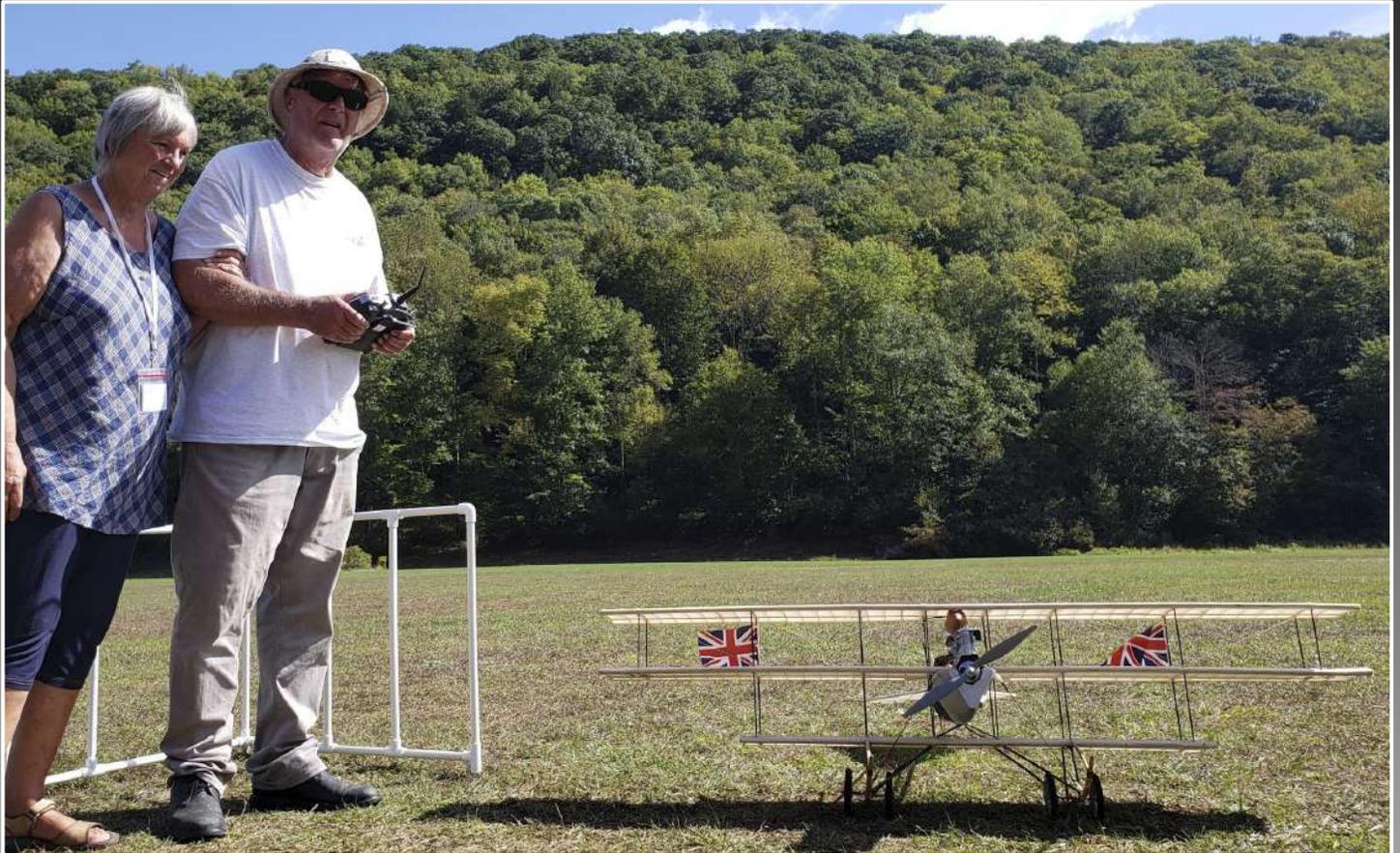
There are many events that go on throughout the week ranging from lobster combat, battle of Britain memorial flight, noon time demos, mass warbird launch, night flying and night bowling, to the indoor vapor games. These are just some of what happens each day of the event. The flying starts at daybreak and often goes to the wee hours of the morning. Its amazing to see all the different airplanes flying throughout the week.



Even report and Photos by
Jon Eastman

Neat Fair 2019

I had so many highlights from this event this year, but one that really stands out for me was being given the chance to fly Jim Lloyd's Avro airplane. In all my years of flying I have flown many different airplanes, but nothing compares to this one. It is truly one of a kind. Thank you Jim for that opportunity, it is one that I will never forget.



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Neat Fair 2019

As always we are able to share the time with some very good friends from the US. Jim Morrison, and Vince Herman have both become such great friends from this event. We have all made life long friends now from attending this event.



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Neat Fair 2019

We as a group love representing Canada, and more specifically the Maritimes. We definitely recommend this event to any electric modeler that wants to attend something as large as this event.



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St. John's R/C Fun fly

September 15th was SJRCF's most recent Fun Fly. Although a day delayed, it was a worthwhile postponement. Blue skies with light winds straight down the runway provided ideal flying conditions. A great turnout of pilots made for an enjoyable and entertaining day of flying. The selection of planes on hand covered our usual assortment. There were however many large scale gassers (seems there is an increase in the number of club members gravitating to them) and nitro and electrics. Stephen Crewe flew a home built from a Flitetest plan twin electric Legacy which was a unique addition and caught the attention of all. It has differential thrust setup and is constructed from waterproof foam board.



Photos by Steve Boulos

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St. John's R/C Fun fly

Joe Dawson brought along two of his drones (an 80 gram and a 240 gram). Joe provided some great footage of the day. No incidents were reported to me, the absentee President (I was out of town for the day). Even a mature eagle seemed to have an enjoyable flying day.

I'm told Craig Trickett's culinary talents were on par with my usual BBQ skills. Thanks for stepping in and tossing the burgers on the barbie! Once again the coffee break was hosted by Zone Director, Cato Hanson. I'm sure it took a little pressure off the "apprentice" chef.

The last official Fun Fly for this year is the "Field Closing" event at our club field in mid October. Some field maintenance is in the planning stages for the fall. We are hoping for the addition of a storage unit by next spring and some fence alterations to aid in lessening the plane to fence contacts periodically occurring. Although the grass took the brunt of the frosty, snowless winter last year, it seems to have rebounded.



An air to air video shot at the event by Joe Dawson. See another video from this gentleman on page one of the newsletter.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O3D8tpQXnYA&list=PLx00dHZV_iNUHcPOxo9i39dNlzVQtyuc7&index=2&t=0s



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A successful day for Kevin Beaver at the Avon field Sept. 21st



Photos by Barry Lloyd

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HEFA September barbecue



Brian Gray reports: It was a great BBQ, for sure. Lots of members out for a fantastic morning of flying with very low winds. We needed to keep an eye on the flight line to maintain the 5 pilot maximum in the air.

Some awe-inspiring lower-level flight from an Aurora, stationed at Greenwood. Turns out it was my nephew on-board (he is a real pilot....!).



Photos by Brian Gray

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Jim Gavel's Spitfire upate

Well, the balance weight added to the fixed plate behind the spinner, (see last pic), did not work out so well in practice. The engine vibration was to much and the assembly started to fail during engine testing, so back to the drawing board. Moving the weight to the firewall was the only option but involved working in a very tight and small area, also I would also need more weight being closer to the CoG. I cut out paper blanks to fit against the firewall and then used these to cut and shape wood plugs for making the molds. I sourced out some lead from a diver friend and then proceeded to educate myself on making and using molds. I decide to use sand casting which I made up using play sand, cat litter (clay) and my wife's blender..... yes we're still married!! Mixed together at 10 % clay, 90% sand with a small amount of water added to bind them together, I was able to get a reasonably stable and usable molding sand.

I had googled this process and pretty much followed their directions for plug placement, packing the sand, removing the plug and pouring the lead. I tried the smaller mold first and it took several tries to get it just right. The 2nd one was easier and came out better as well. I neglected to determine how much weight I would actually need to balance so the heavier piece was actually a bit more than needed, in fact I ended up removing, butchering, about 1 1/2 lbs from it. The total weight added ended up being 3 1/4 lbs, more than I had hoped for but less than the 5 -6 lbs indicated in several articles I had read.

For melting the lead I used a propane single burner camp stove with a cut down juice can as the pot. During the melting, pouring process I wore heavy construction boots, coveralls, safety eyeglasses plus face shield, heavy insulated work gloves and a respirator. To attempt this process without any protection would be foolhardy at best.



Photos by Jim Gavel

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A FLYING DAY AT ASRCM



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Oops....we should have stored the wind sock



Hurricane Dorian passed through the Yarmouth "South West Flyers R/C Club" field

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Atlantic (B) Annual Zone Meeting photos



Meeting minutes will be posted in the next newsletter

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HOBBY SHOPS IN OUR ZONE.

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Some bits and bytes from the Zone

A combination of center of gravity too far back, the A-tail and wind caused a really "hot landing"!
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P6oAsV2Wwok&fbclid=IwAR2vxKFkpYgboyyeMqzRVpfy_FhLey-PuEvy1WKD-TxOqOeIQvzNYNC7D9g



Rick Leblanc's Flitetest A-tailed Bronco maiden flight

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SANCTIONED AND OR PLANNED EVENTS JULY/AUGUST

Zone B - Oktoberfest

Considered to be the last fun fly of the season, Wings of Wellington is once again proud to host the Oktoberfest Fun Fly. Come out and enjoy a day of fun, feasting (BBQ), flying and fellowship. Freewill offering to offset food cost is appreciated. Rain date will be Oct 12th
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/689306671183181>

Club: WINGS OF WELLINGTON
Sanction #: 2019-1230
Event Type: Fun Fly
Date: October 5, 2019
Time: 09:30 AM
Entry Fee: \$0.00
Event Director: AARON MASON (MAAC # 80640)
Contact Person: AARON MASON (MAAC # 80640)
Contact Number: 902-538-0188
Contact Cell: 902-599-1433
Contact Email: aaronmason.rc@gmail.com
Event Website: <http://wingsofwellington.ca>
Event Location
Airfield: FIELD - 520 MIDDLE DYKE ROAD KINGS CO. NS
GPS Coordinates: 45.110100, -64.470230

Zone B - Season end- Field closing

Come and enjoy a fun day as we close down our field with the last fun fly event for the season. BBQ included.
Rain Date October 20th.

Club: ST JOHN'S R/C FLYERS
Sanction #: 2019-1179
Event Type: Fun Fly
Date: October 19, 2019
Time: 09:00 AM to 04:30 PM
Entry Fee: \$5.00
Event Director: ROBERT DICKS (MAAC # 76616)
Contact Person: ROBERT DICKS (MAAC # 76616)
Contact Number: 709-895-2648
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Contact Email: robertdicks@nl.rogers.com
Event Website: <http://sjrcf.ca>
Event Location
Airfield: WITLESS BAY LINE
GPS Coordinates: 47.340694, -53.013361
Directions: Take the TCH out of St. John's to the Witless Bay Line off ramp, exit 37. Continue on the Witless Bay Line 4.5 km. The field entrance is on the left. Follow the dirt road that runs parallel with the highway until you reach the parking area.

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FROM YOUR ZONE DIRECTOR

Hi All,

We are getting to the end of the Flying season, evenings are gone and weekends and days are now the only choice, and soon we will be flying indoor again. When you do, please don't close the site for multirotors, if you don't like to have them in the same flying area, maybe accommodate them for another day or timeslot, we are all part of MAAC here, so let's try to get along as best as we can.

Our Atlantic Zone Meeting in Truro went well and some good discussions was had by all, I was the only person nominated for Zone Director, and was elected by acclamation for another two years.

We seemed to have had some confusion regarding the Zone Meeting date, as we had four different clubs trying to have an event on the same day as the Zone Meeting, the Zone Meeting is not listed as an event on MAAC website, but a notice was sent out on August 01, and then on September 01, in our Zone News Letter, so there should have been no conflict if you read the notices. Also if you have an event to list, you have to get the club executive to do that as they are the only ones that have access, please don't ask me to do it as I try to have a little life beside MAAC. In saying that, I have no problem assisting you if you need help.

That's enough ranting for this time, hope you enjoyed the News Letter, fly safe and be courteous to all.

Cato.



Great moment with some amazing people! Pamela Lloyd and David Nicholson you guys make this time wonderful. Canada did well at Reinbeck and at Neat.

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