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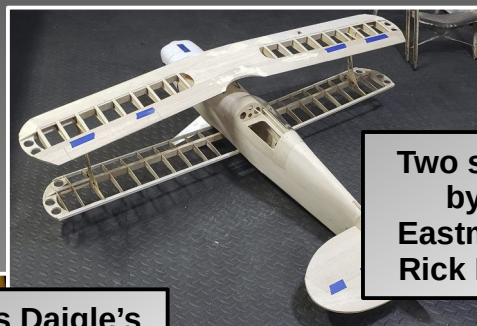
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Jim Gavel's  
spad



Rick Grant's  
beaver



Two skybolts  
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Eastman and  
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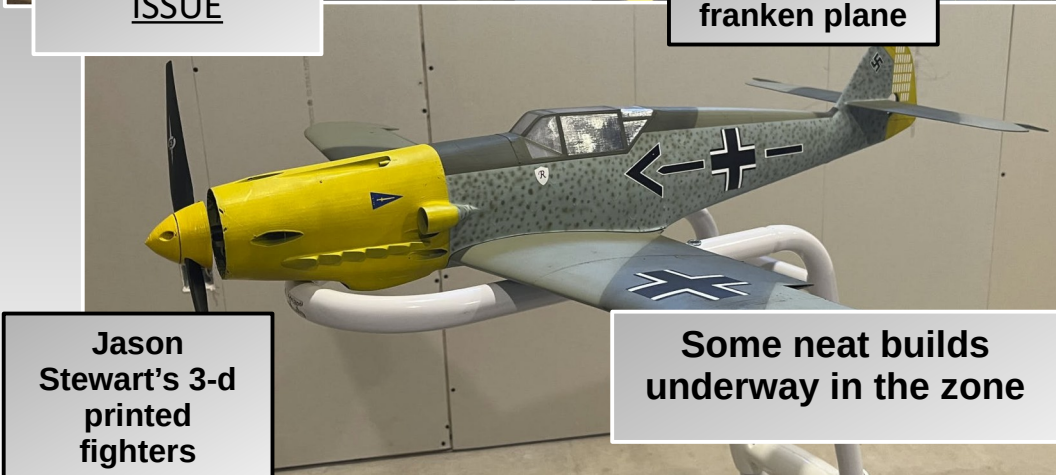
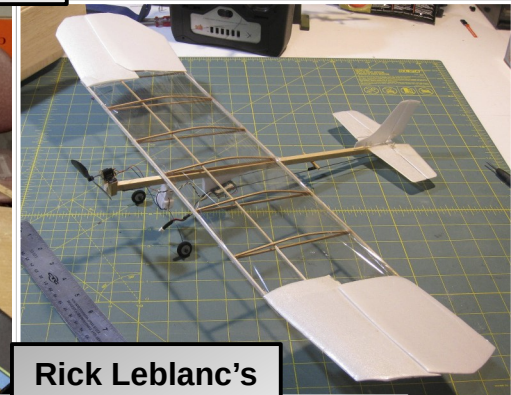


Rick Leblanc's  
franken plane

Gilles Daigle's  
gatorboard  
acro plane



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Jason  
Stewart's 3-d  
printed  
fighters

Some neat builds  
underway in the zone

## BLUE SKIES John Hatt

**John Bernard Gregory Hatt  
January 27, 2023**

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Besides his love of flying and building airplanes, he had a love for music and his bass guitar. He played in many bands over the years but his favorite to play in was the Alvin Whittaker band, as they played old rock from the 70's. He loved going for drives in his Corvette his favorite being to the boardwalk in the passage with his coffee. Everyone knew him by his Corvette which he loved so much he named after the love of his life Valerie.

His love for flying, music, his corvette and being a business owner brought him the upmost joy but his three children made him complete and were always his biggest reward.

He is survived by his children Gregory (Westernshore), Christopher (Brittani), Catherine (Dartmouth), Sisters Linda (John) (Mt. Uniacke) and Barbara (Johannes) (Dartmouth) and his nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his wife Valerie (Campbell) Hatt and his parents Bernard and Phyllis (Benvie) Hatt.



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### BLUE SKIES Shawn Maloney

**MALONEY, Shawn Edward** - It is with deep sorrow that we announce the sudden passing of Shawn Edward Maloney "Shawncat" in hospital on December 9th, 2022. He was the son of the late Alfred and Geraldine Maloney (Paul). Shawn is survived by his loving wife Tammy, daughters Mika, Charlene (Logan). Brothers Lorne Paul (Michelle), Sonny Boy Maloney, Sisters Beverlie Maloney, Sharon Copage, Audrey Mayes (Perry) and Leanne Maloney. Along with his beloved godchildren Tyson Paul and Brighton Lavangie, he also leaves numerous loving nieces and nephews.

Predeceased by his parents he was also predeceased by his brothers: Kenny Paul, Keith Paul and sister Brenda Deer Maloney.

Shawn touched many lives throughout his all too short time with us, whether it was in his job as a teacher, First Nation liaison at Hants East Rural High School or at the Shubenacadie District elementary school. He consistently went out of his way to inspire and support so many students throughout his career.

As part of his determination and perseverance Shawn achieved several outstanding academic awards, including the 2018 Silver medal for Academic Achievements and Bachelor of Arts from Cape Breton University. He recently graduated from St. FX University where he achieved his B. Ed in Education. These academic accomplishments allowed him to achieve his dream job of returning to Hants East Rural High School as a teacher.

Shawn was known as loving father, brother, uncle, relative and a good friend to many in the community and in the Atlantic provinces. His hobbies included: hunting, fishing, flying drones, building models, bowling, billiards, being a loyal member of the Sipekne'katik Wolfpack bike club and a member of the Atlantic Society of Radio Control Modellers.

Shawn was a member of the Masonic lodge No: 115, Upper Stewiacke, Royal Arch Masons, Keith's Chapter 4 Truro, Nova Scotia where he was recently appointed as Master Mason. Shawn fulfilled his commitment to the Masonic brotherhood with both honour and pride. He was also a proud member of the Widows Sons-Fallen Few chapter motorcycle club. WSFFWS. Rest easy, your work is done.



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**From Jeremy Dann: Grant Lloyd**

**Tanya was in touch this evening with the sad news that Grant passed away yesterday after a long illness. Grant was a regular at the field over the last several years despite the challenges he was struggling with related to his health.**

**He loved all aspects of the hobby and was a regular at Roger's place working on new planes.**

**Rest Easy Grant.**

**From Andrew Colwell of the Saint John club: Some sad news today. Paul Phillips, long time club member, passed away December 16. There is a short obit on Brenan Funeral home. It only mentioned he was ill for a couple of days prior to his last flight to the beyond. Paul was a very active member of our club before I joined in the late 80s. He taught and given guidance to many and his presence will be missed.**

**From Charlie Hope: Sad to announce the passing of Steve Miffins dad on January 14. Services are being held in Catalina Nfld.**



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## Rick Grant's 1/6 Dehavilland Beaver



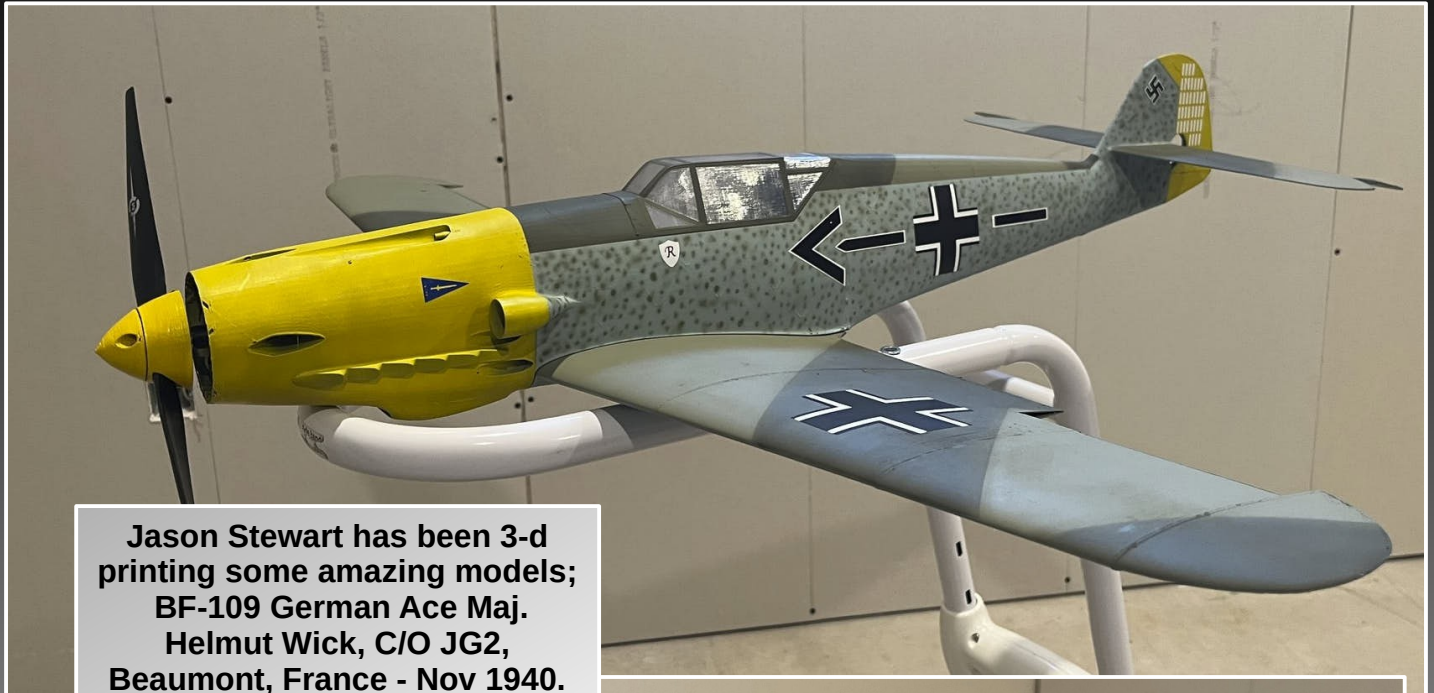
From Rick: 1/6 Dehavilland Beaver - Thought I'd take advantage of the snow and wrap up this thread with some final photos for this build.



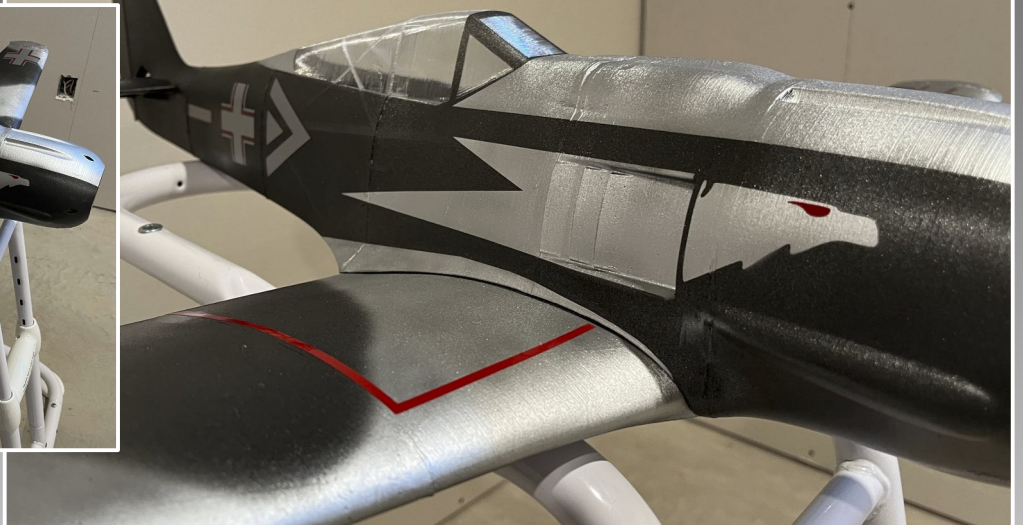
Photos by Rick Grant

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## Charlottetown Radio Control Flying Club



Jason Stewart has been 3-d printing some amazing models;  
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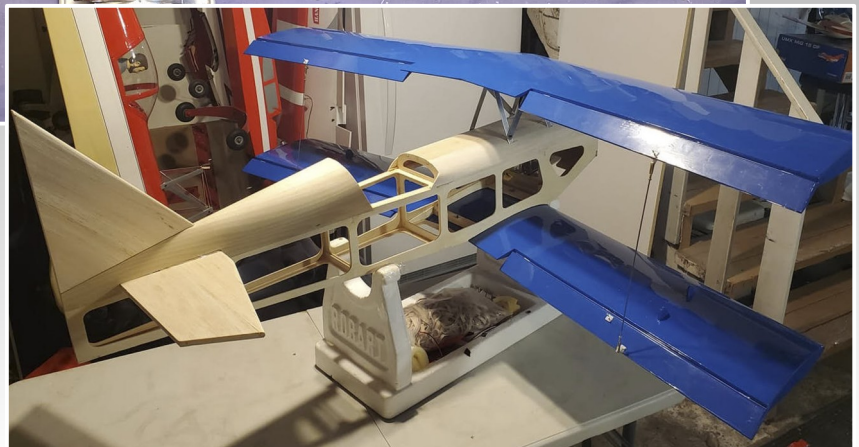
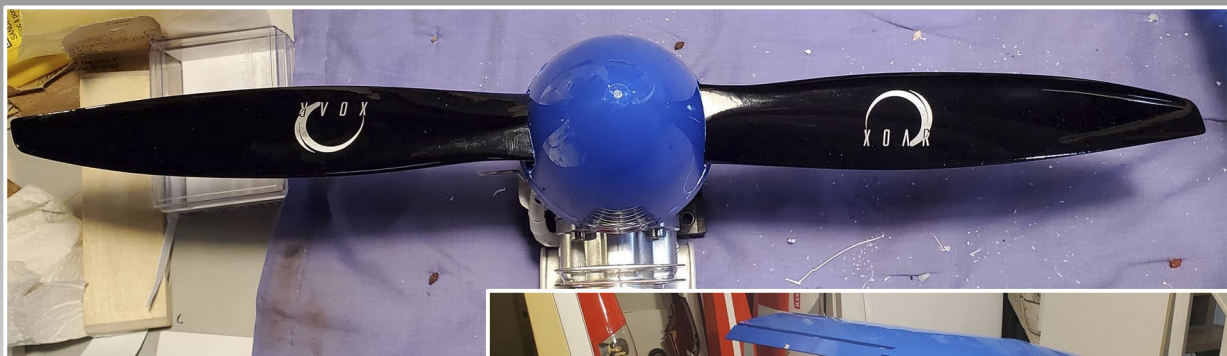
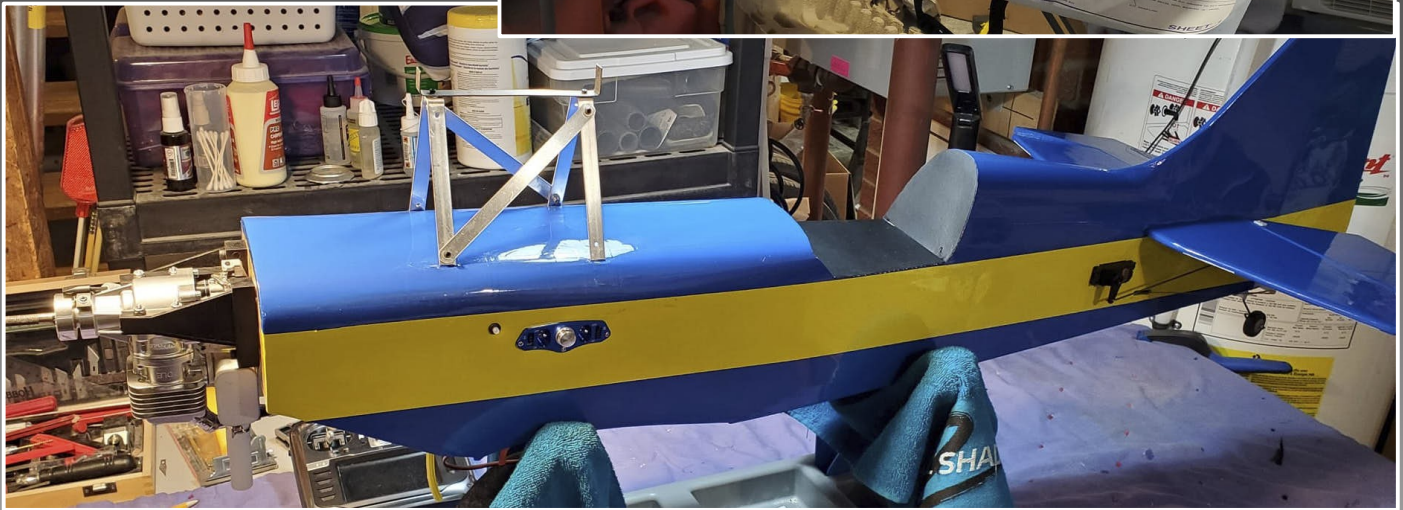


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### FMAC Trevor's Ultimate

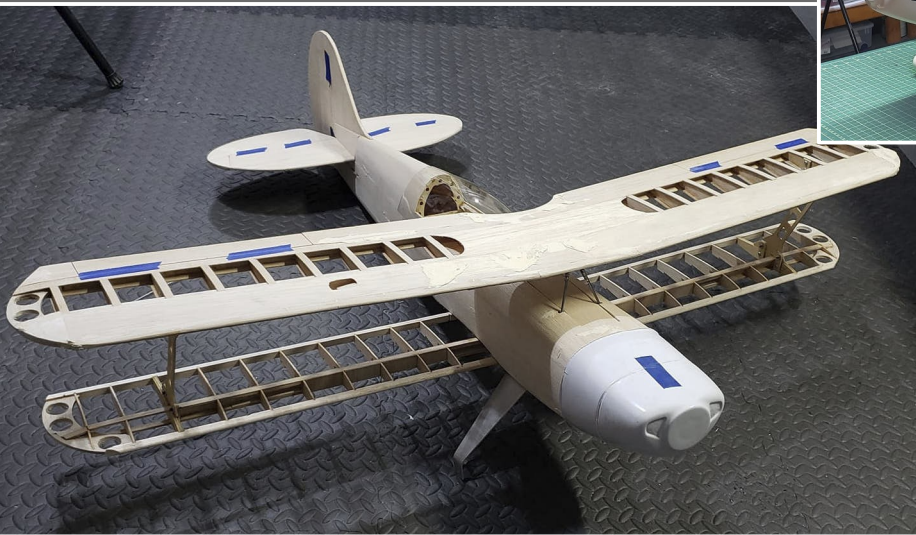
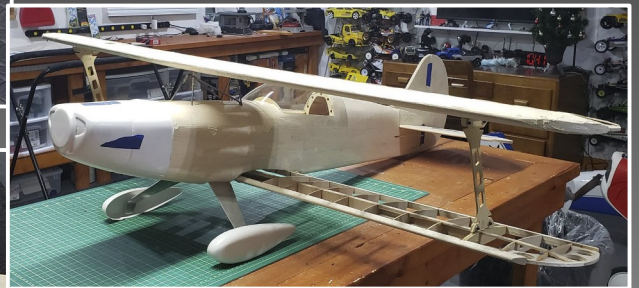
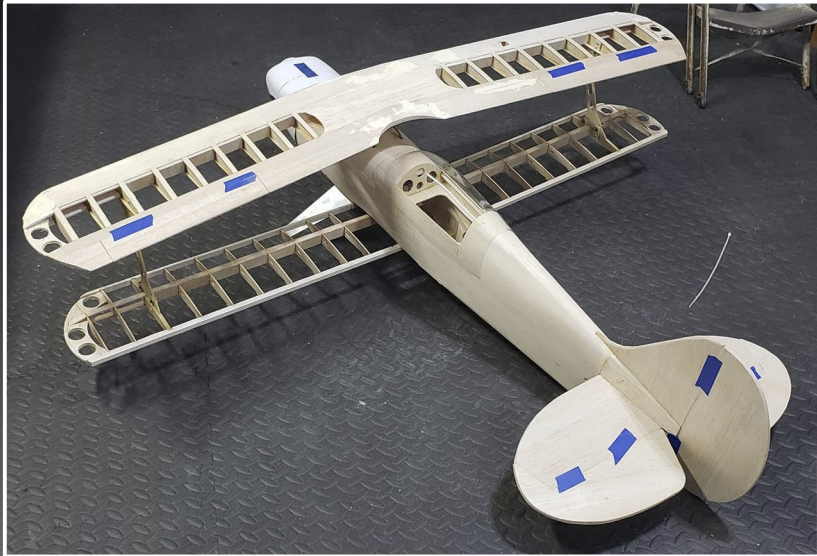
From Restigouche RC (Trevor): While the cool kids were flying indoors today I was up since 6 trying to get the finishing touches done to my Ultimate before final sanding and covering. Here's some progress pics.



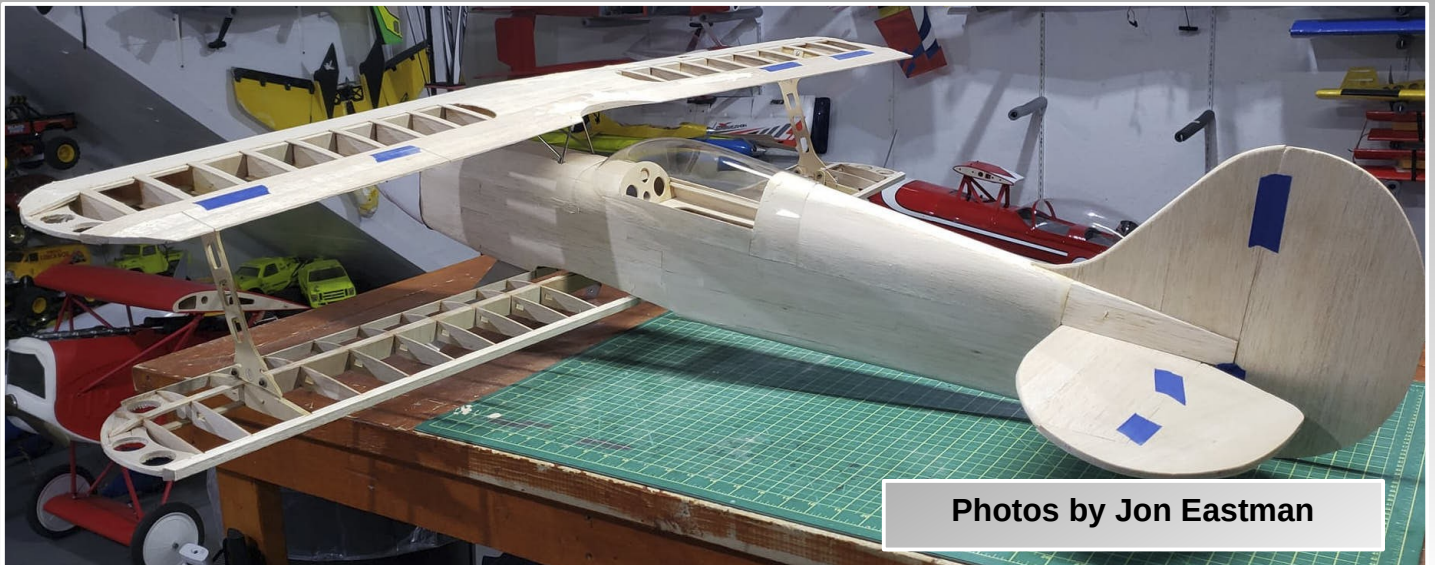


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## Jon Eastman's Skybolt



This plane is finally starting to look like something. Lots of work to get to this point, and still a long way to go. Well we can't fly, so might as well sniff glue



Photos by Jon Eastman

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## Northumberland RC Modellers indoor Jan 14th



Photos by Paul Sinnis

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## FMAC indoor



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## Wings of Wellington indoor Jan 18th



Indoor flying today in Kentville - great turn out!

Photos by Jeremy Dann

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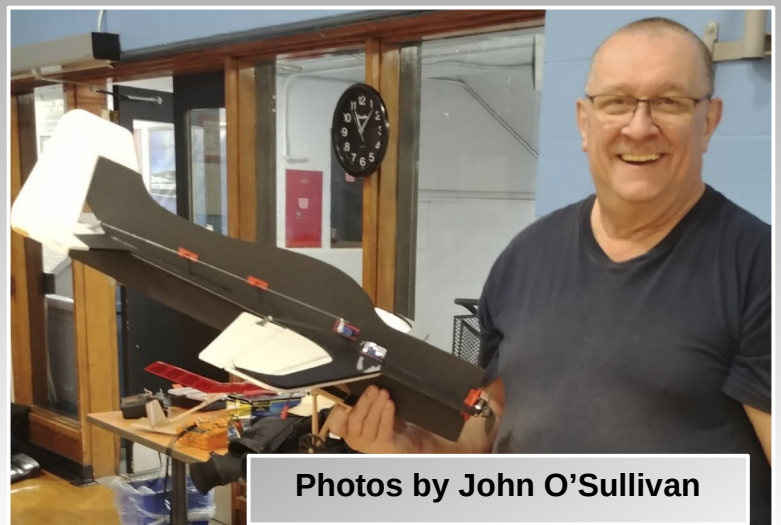
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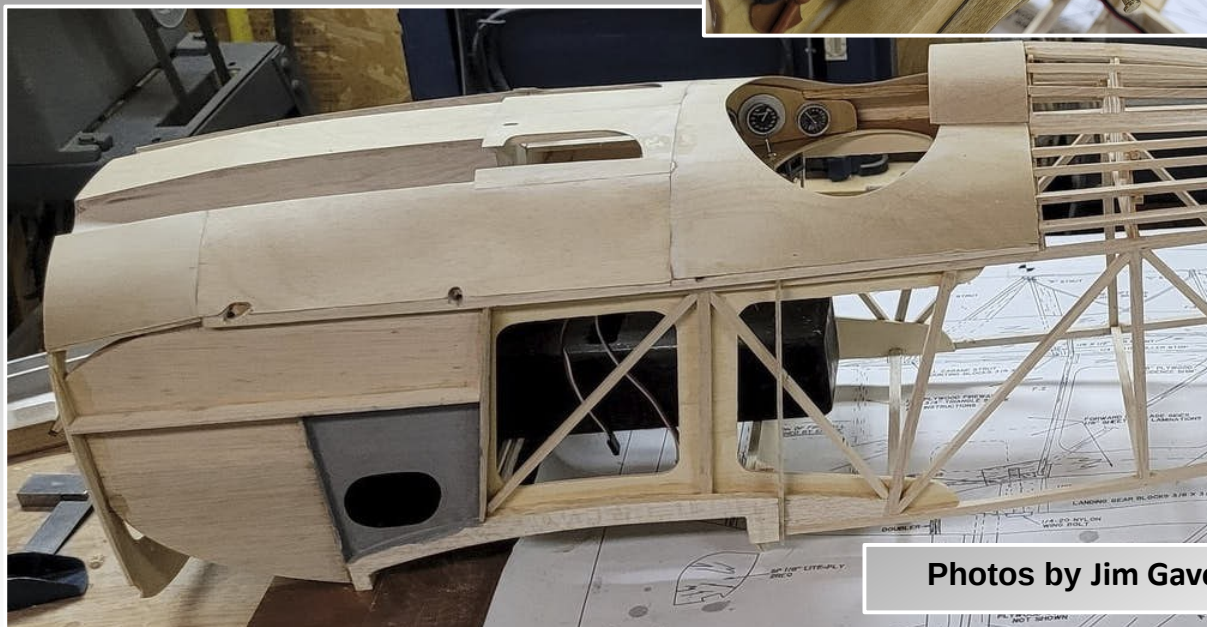
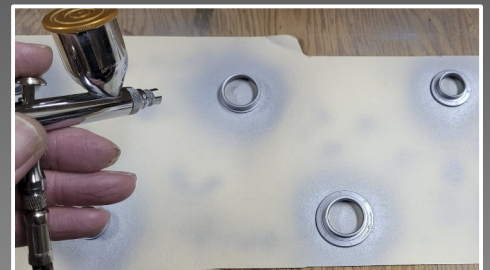
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### Jim Gavel's SPAD built (an update)

So, last update I left off with the Vickers machine guns trial fitted into the gun troughs. Now it's time to install the plywood skins over the nose framework. The plywood is 1/32" 3 ply and even though it's very flexible, it will not bend around compound curves. Each area that has compound curves has to have a separate piece installed. This works out pretty much to scale as the full size Spad had metal skins for these areas. This went fairly well but did involve a lot of trimming and fitting.

At this point I realized if I was going to do any scale details in the cockpit area, now was the time before it got to built up around it, making it difficult to work. I had previously bought WW 1 period instrument gauges that only required some silver paint to make them scale. Trusty airbrush and a little craft paint and their ready to install. The other cockpit details I crafted with stuff I had around the shop and painted them a rustic brass. As I didn't want the radio switch, engine switch and charging leads visible on the outside of the fuselage, I elected to install them in the cockpit area. I also tried to incorporate them as part of the scale layout. Not perfect but this is a balance between scale and ease of operation.



Photos by Jim Gavel



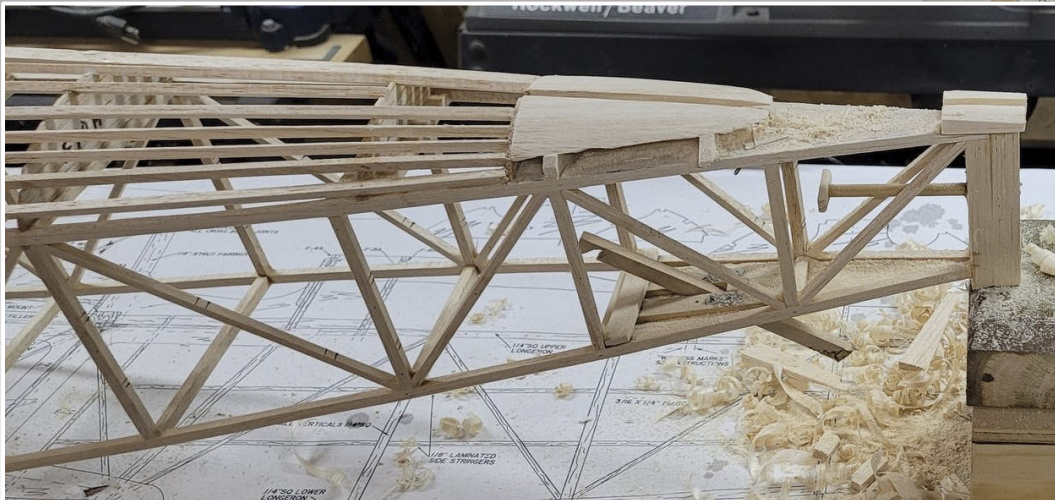
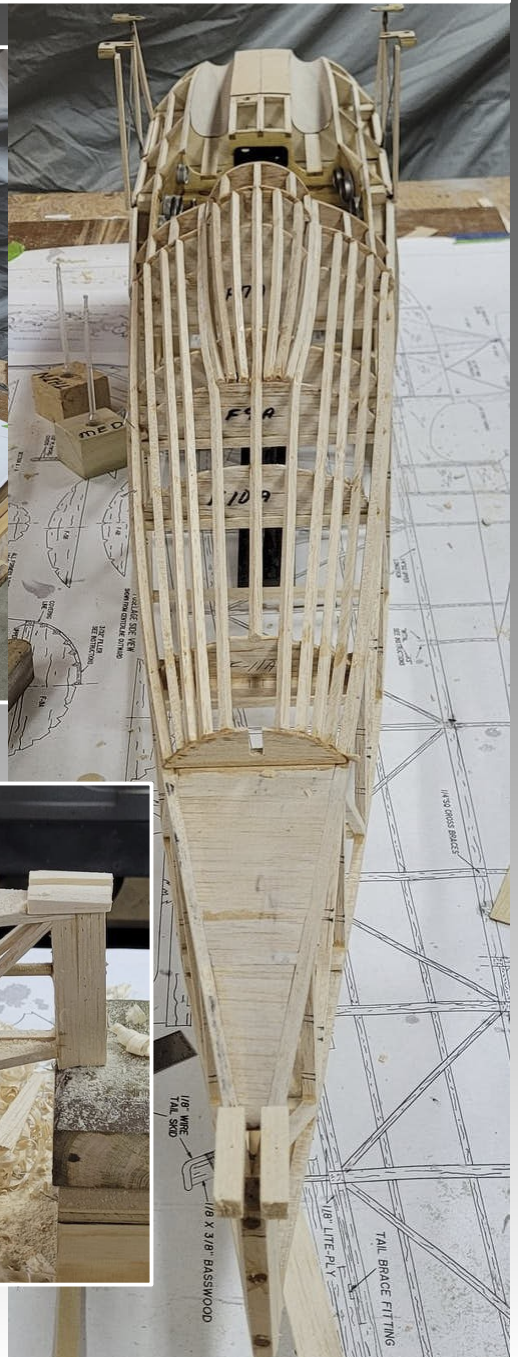
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I'm a firm believer that RC planes require a pilot to look right so, after much web searching I found a WW1 period pilot bust from Aces of Iron. Only catch, it has to be painted ..... that may take as long as the Spad build!

With the cockpit mostly finished it was time to install the turtle deck behind the pilot. This involved formers and then stringers to give it the Spad shape. I was less than impressed with the formers as the die cutting was sloppily done and required a fair amount of work to get the stringers right.

At this point I'm working on the bottom forward fuselage getting ready to install cowl support rings. Before I do that, the radio layout will have to be tried and finessed for final installation.



Photos by Jim Gavel

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### Jim Gavel fesses up! lol

For those of you who have been following my posts. I don't want you to think that all the RC airplanes I have built and flown are pristine and perfect. The following pictures show the "lesser known" aspect of RC flying. I like to think it was a "loose nut" failure, when in fact it was a "loose nut" at the controls failure!



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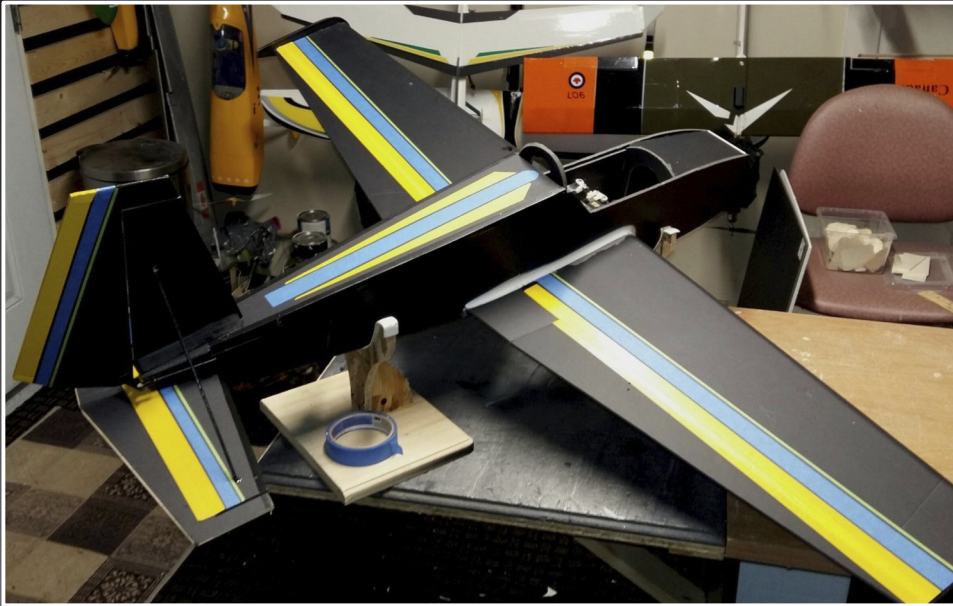
### Rick LeBlanc's indoor Franken-plane



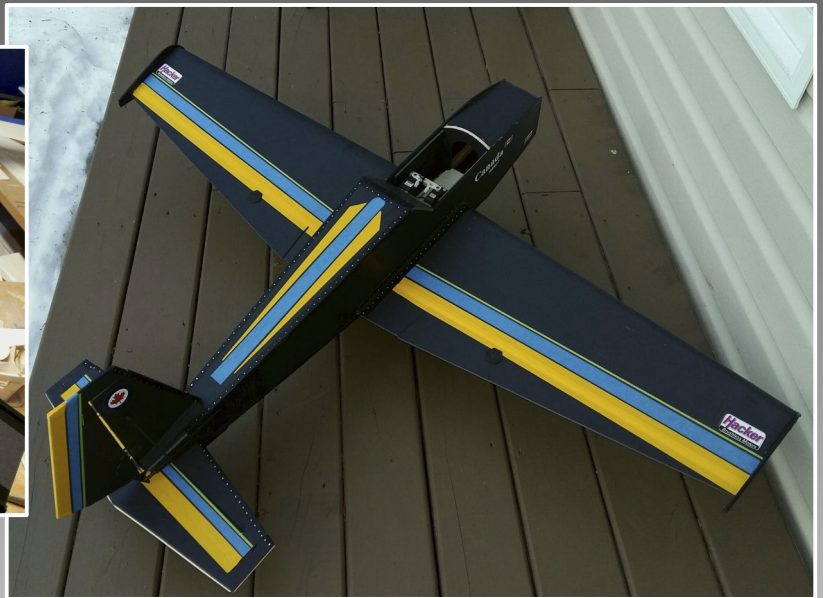
**The indoor Franken-plane. I think it has a 50% chance of flight all the way to the crash site. The word is it flies very well!**

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### AVIATES RC CLUB Foamboard build



From Gilles Daigle:  
Decided to built an outdoor foamboard Edge. 44" wingspan. Will be a great crash test dummy. Re-enforced with basswood 1/4" square and thin plywood. 1/8" dowel added on the elevator fin for a more rigid surface.



Photos by Gilles Daigle

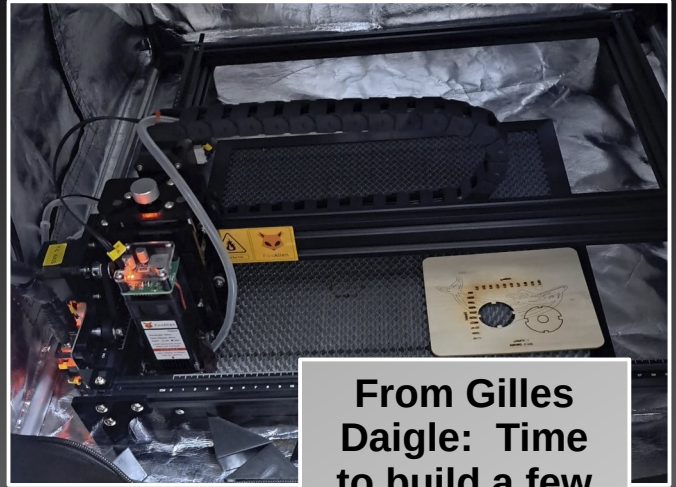
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## AVIATES RC CLUB Indoor January 22nd

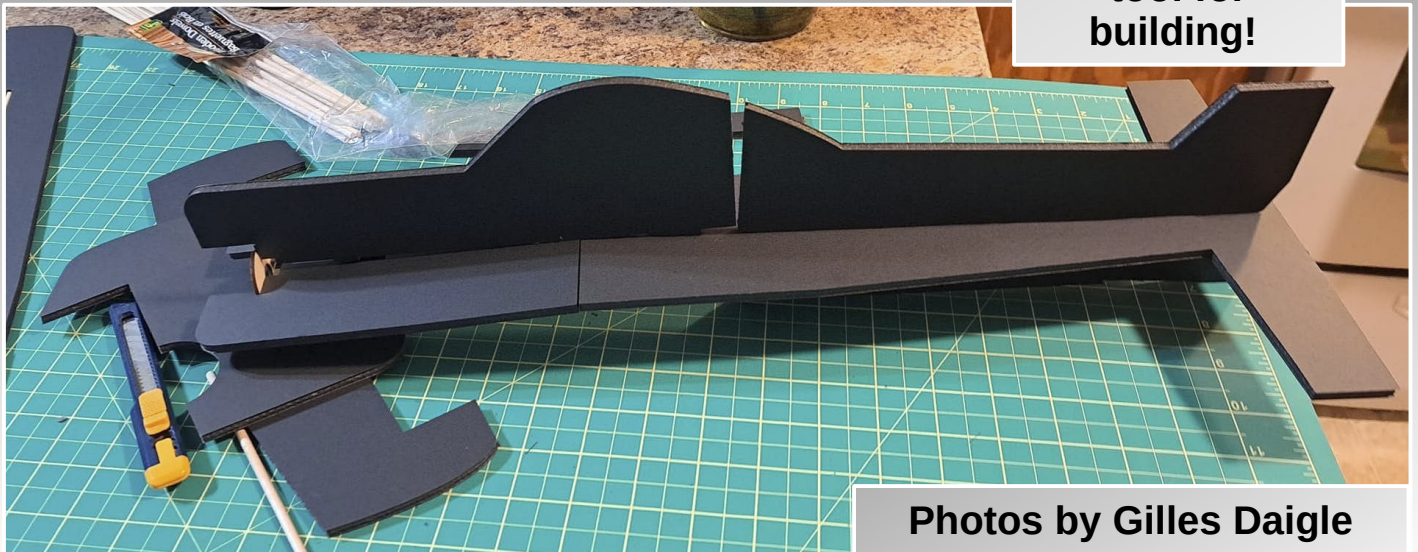
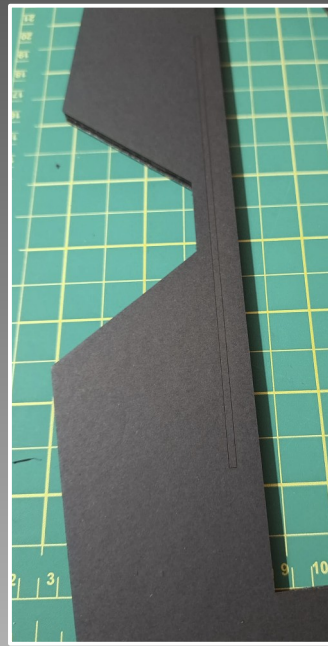


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### AVIATES RC CLUB Gilles tries a Foam cutter



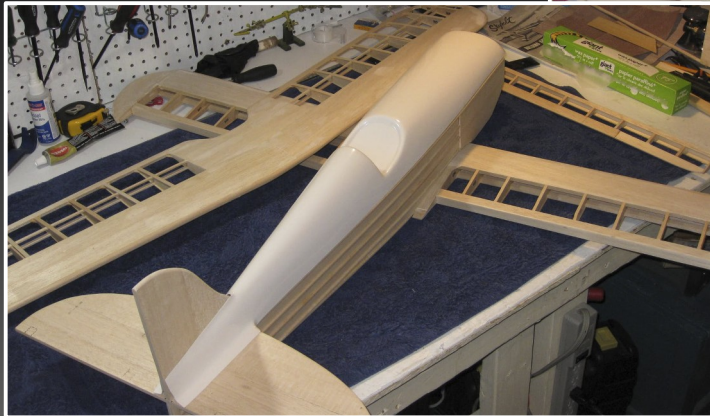
From Gilles Daigle: Time to build a few foamys for next indoor had to try the laser cutter out works great on black foamboard but white was no go! Also cut out control horns and motor mount like butter awesome new tool for building!



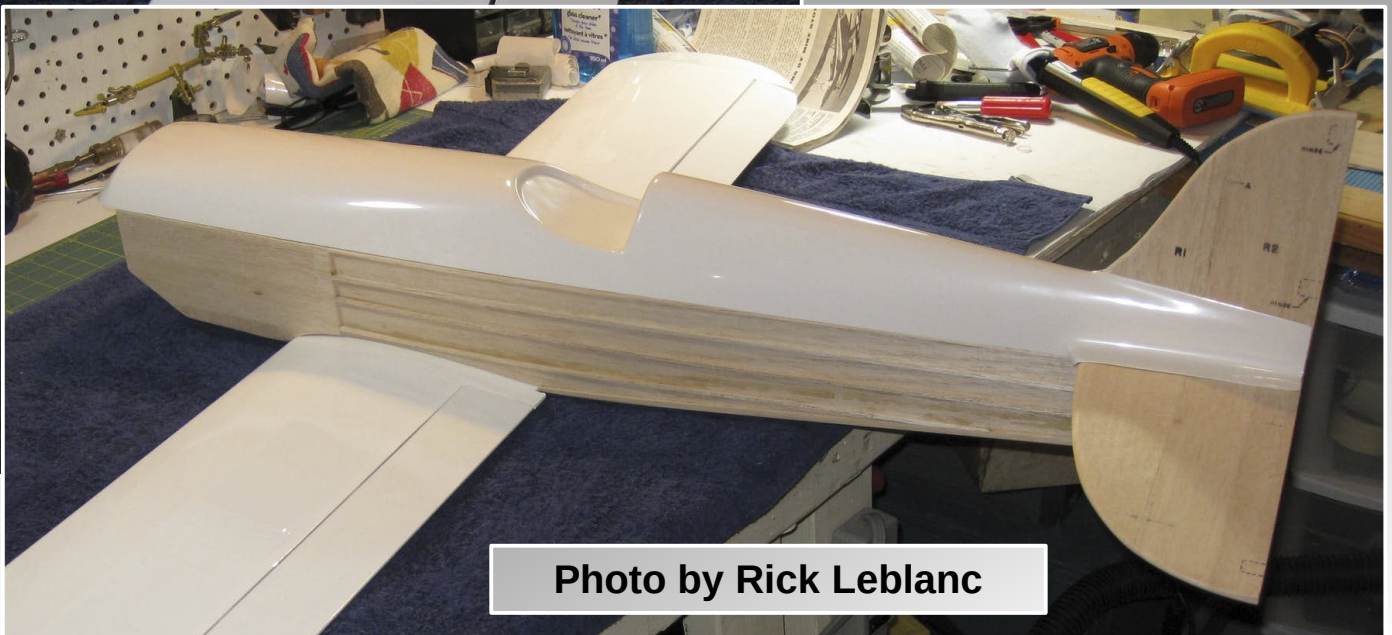
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### Yarmouth "South West Flyers R/C Club Skybolt Build



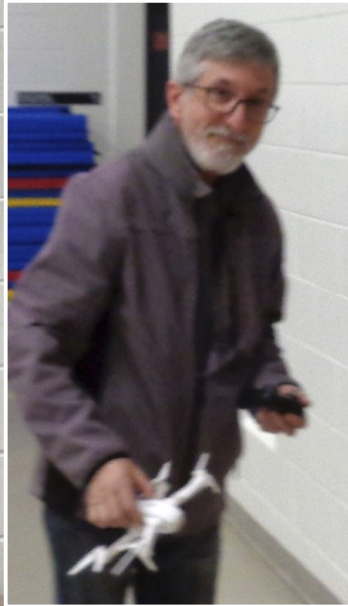
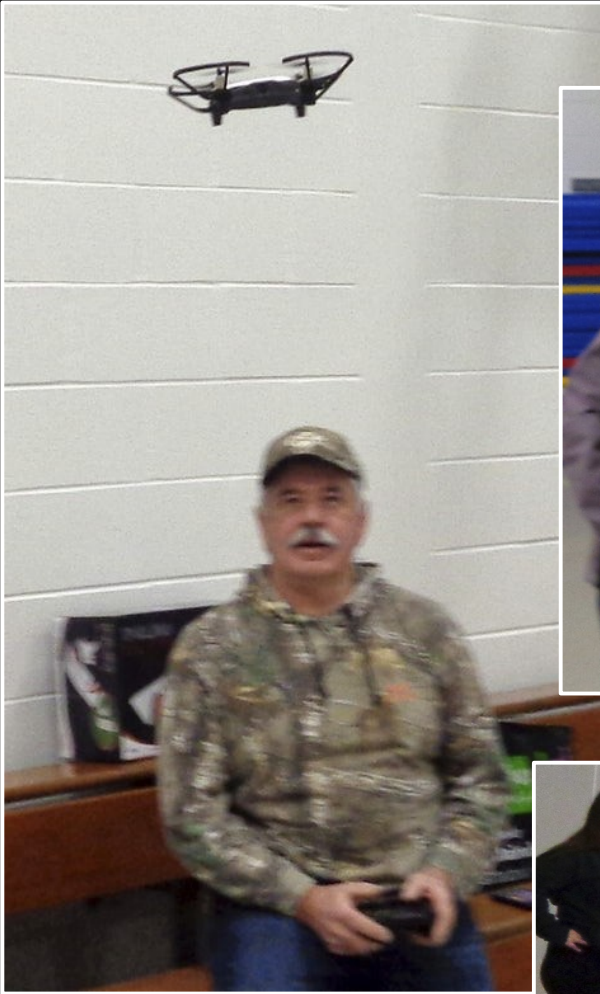
**From Rick Leblanc:  
Far from perfect, but  
the top of the  
bottom wing is done  
and looks OK. One  
more wing to go and  
then still lots of  
work yet.**



**Photo by Rick Leblanc**

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## Yarmouth "South West Flyers R/C Club" indoor



Photos by Terry Bullerwell



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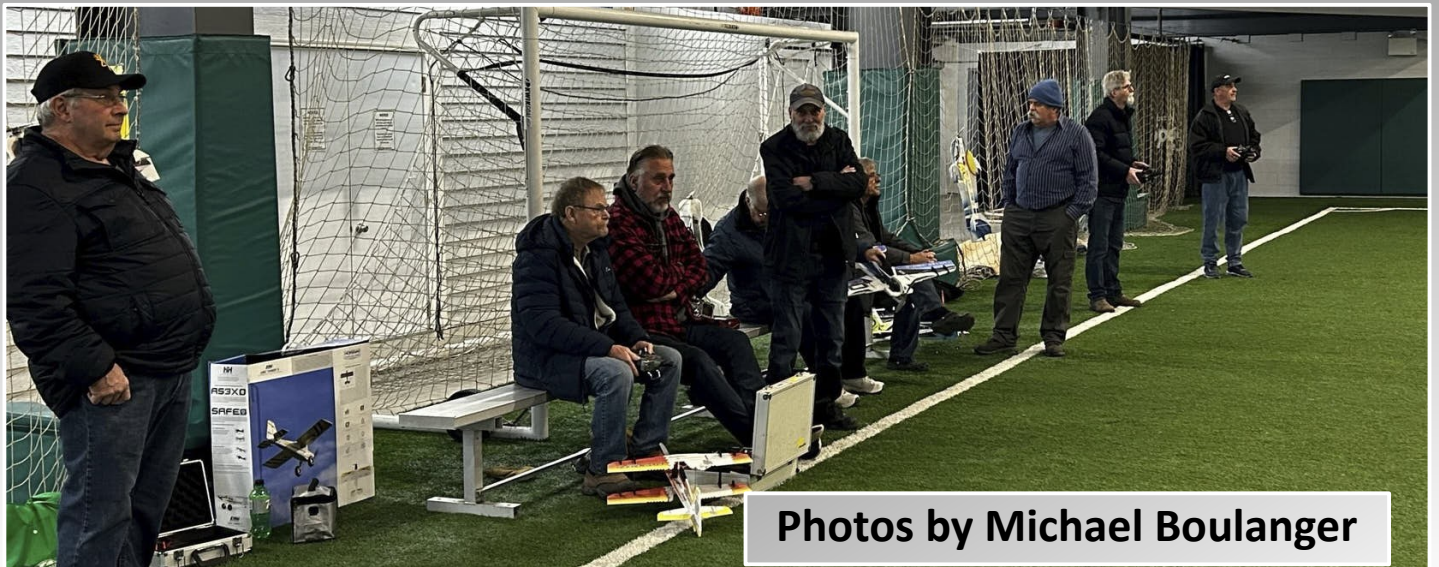
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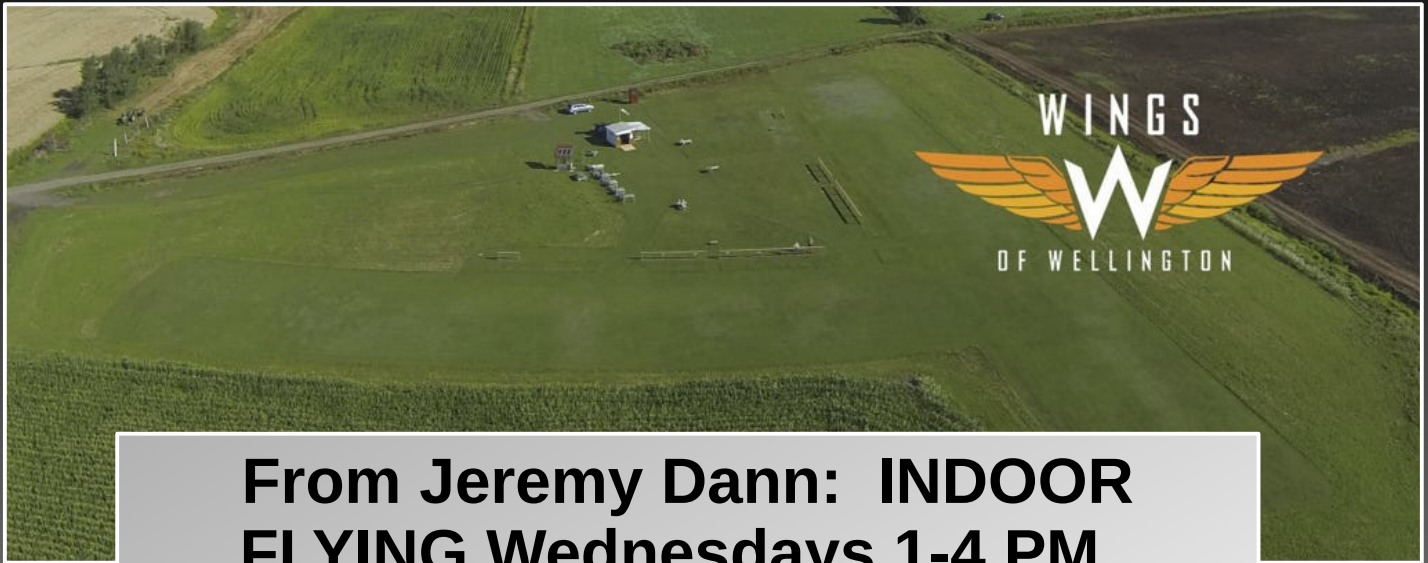
## South Shore RC Flying indoor Jan 22nd



Photos by Michael Boulanger

## ZONE B NEWSLETTER

### Some bits and bytes from the Zone



**From Jeremy Dann: INDOOR  
FLYING Wednesdays 1-4 PM ,  
Kentville Rec Center - \$10 again  
this year. See-ya**

**The South Shore RC Flying group has listed the following dates for  
indoor flying: Indoor flying . HB Studios  
February 5th 4 – 5:30 pm  
February 12th 4 – 5:30 pm  
February 26th 11 – 12:30 pm  
March 5th 10 – 11:30 am**

**Shearwater RC Flyers are again hosting the Winter indoor flying  
again. Shearwater has switched to SUNDAYS 0900-1200 until end  
March time frame.**

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### HOBBY SHOPS IN OUR ZONE.

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**From Jon Eastman: This is my my Limbo Dancer. I have wanted to build this plane for many many years, and I have finally taken the time to do it. It was a Super easy and fun build!  
Its one of those planes that isn't the prettiest, but flys great. I am very excited to fly this as soon as I can.**

# ZONE B NEWSLETTER

## FROM YOUR ZONE DIRECTOR

Hi everybody,

So, the story of the year, when are we opening our flying fields? Well, some fields have already been opened, and if you would take some time to think of all the flying fields in all the Zones, it's not going to happen overnight, the priority is given to the regions that can fly this time of the year.

We are after all volunteers trying to run this organization to the best of our ability, I'm not crying hard times here, but it is frustrating when some members only think about themselves and their right to fly anywhere they so choose to do, well here is the fact, we are now flying under the Transport Canada rules after we got an exemption because we had proven all those years since 1949 that we could look after our members and that we had certain rules to follow, and then came the drone issue that sparked it all.

Then Transport Canada looked at our organization with some 10.000 members that are and have been flying Model airplanes for over 70+ years and got Nav Canada involved in looking into our way of conducting our rules and safety, and therefore gave us our exemption because we were able to show them that we were a responsible organization and could look after our members.

So Nav Canada as an independent contractor looking after the Airspace for Transport Canada, own that airspace, except for some Military and private airspace, and they set the rules in order for anybody to operate in their airspace, and that should be a non brainer, it is after all what makes air safety safe for us all.

So you say, well we only fly toy airplanes, yes but toy airplanes could be dangerous for full size aircraft, we have after all an exemption that allows us to fly a toy airplane weighing 35 Kg, that's 70 lbs. or more, and that is why we have to comply with their rules and regulations in the airspace, then comes Transport Canada, and their concerns is Public safety, and what do we have for rules to protect them?

I know, I'm not saying anything you don't already know, so you say, what happen,

Well according to our exemption, we must have a safety audit at least ones a year, or TC can do a spot-check anytime they like, so when we did our audit last summer, we found some irregularities that had not been corrected, and by Nav Canada rules we had to report them by compliance of our exemption.

What happen will probably not be common knowledge, and it serves no purpose to address, so what we now had to do was to scramble and check our flying sites all across the country, and it was to many inconsistencies to address, so on December 03 2022 we held an emergency meeting for two days in Toronto to address it all, and we were left with no choice but to shut every outside flying site down in order to get everyone stream-lined and consistent to Nav Canada rules for air safety and Transport Canada in compliance with the public safety, this was not an easy decision to come up with, but in your interest it was done, and the work started.

On top of that, Nav Canada had originally given their blessing for about 58 flying sites inside their 3 NM airdromes, but not any new ones, so when it all broke, they in turn cancelled the agreement for those sites, and they now must be renegotiated for them to open up again, that will happen after we get the sites outside the airdromes open. The priority rest on the flying sites outside of any airdrome and they will be open before the flying season is here, just have some patience, that's all I can ask of you all, go fly inside for time being or build something, we are not going away, this is just a hick-up and will be sorted out.

As always, any more questions, I'm here at 506-343-4477, or email me at

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