



# MAAC'S ZONE B NEWSLETTER.

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# HI

## This is your News Letter

and the purpose is to serve the zone and keep all the clubs in touch with each other, so please help in submitting something from your club for us all to share. Don't forget this is your way to inform the Zone what is going on in your neck of the woods, please let me know at : [chansen@nbnet.nb.ca](mailto:chansen@nbnet.nb.ca)



Here is Al Eastman and Rae Coyle with Rae's Mosquito that Rae donated to the Greenwood Military Aviation Museum on February 12<sup>th</sup> for permanent display.



The 2014, 4<sup>th</sup> annual Helis on Ice, with 23 pilots braving the February cold with a bonfire and hot chilli to keep the cold away.

# RAE COYLE'S PRESENTATION TO GREENWOOD MILITARY AVIATION MUSEUM.

PRESENTED BY AL EASTMAN, PHOTOS BY AL AND RAE.

I travelled with **Rae Coyle** to Greenwood on February 12th where Rae presented his museum quality mosquito to the **Greenwood Military Aviation Museum** for permanent display. Rae chose to donate the Mosquito there because Greenwood had a squadron of Mosquito's operating during the Second World War, and he felt it would be a good fit. It is indeed!



We were greeted at the museum by **Curator Bryan Nelson** who introduced us to **Col (Ret'd) Brian Handley**, President and CEO of the Museum Society and **Major Robert A Johnson, CD**, who is 14 Wing Heritage Officer and the museum's General Manager. These gentlemen set us up in a quiet area where we got the mossie assembled and ready for the turnover. Major Johnson indicated he would hang the model in a banked position with the gear and flaps down simulating a final turn onto the runway.

During our visit Rae and I were exceptionally lucky in getting a personal guided tour by Col Handley which included the restoration shop out back. Several large and demanding projects are being worked on there by the museum volunteers. Most impressive is the Bolingbroke restoration. About half the fuselage for that plane has been completed and work continues on the forward section and the wings. Of particular interest to me was the way in which the windows for the Bolingbroke are being tediously fashioned using wooden plugs over which the plexiglass sections are formed. Trial and error is resulting in the accurate fabrication of these unusually shaped parts.

Unbelievable is the only word to describe how the recently finished Anson came from the broken and tattered aircraft sections I once saw sitting outside some years ago. We saw photographs of those bits on Wednesday and there is only amazement when viewing the Anson sitting there today. The Bolingbroke sections and wings were in a similar wrecked state and the museum volunteers are recovering a plane from those as well.

Work is continuing on bringing their Lancaster back to its original military configuration from maritime patrol modifications that had been made. That mod had changed the Lancaster nose by adding a sixteen inch plug which significantly changed the plane's profile.. The Lanc sits outside at the moment minus its nose and spinners alongside a Lockheed Neptune, a Canadair Argus, a pedestal mounted T-33 and a Boeing Vertol CH-113 Labrador. A DC-3 which Col Handley fondly refers to as a "dak" (he used to fly them) is

being painted and will be added to the display this summer.

Many interesting displays and dioramas fill the museum interior including the histories, medals and photos of some notable Nova Scotia and Canadian Military heroes. A walk through the simulator section of the Argus patrol aircraft with working instrumentation and sound is worth taking in as is the Sperwer UAV (Drone) which hangs from the ceiling. Various engines are on display, some of them cutaway models showing internal workings. Examples of aircrew uniforms and paintings of notable aviation actions and other artifacts fill every available space. The museum has an excellent gift shop and a superb cafeteria with tasty and inexpensive meals.

It had been quite a few years since I first visited this museum and it has grown into a very impressive facility with a lot of great displays and artifact. I highly recommend a visit!

Rae presents the model to Col (Ret'd) Brian Handley, President and CEO of the Museum Society.



Col Handley is a former base commander at Greenwood. In the background is the museum's recently restored Avro Anson. This amazing restoration took place over a number of years and it alone is worth a visit.

Rae brings the mossie inside and shows the retract mechanism to Col Handley and Major Robert A. Johnson, CD, who is 14 Wing Heritage Officer and the museum's General Manager.





## RAE COYLE'S PRESENTATION TO GREENWOOD MILITARY AVIATION

CONTINUED FROM PAGE TWO BY AL EASTMAN, PHOTOS BY AL AND RAE.

Rae shows his documentation for the model which has a wing span of 81 inches and is painted in 418 squadron, City of Edmonton colours.

Rae says this Canadian squadron never operated in Canada, but flew extensively in England.



The completed Anson on display. These planes were assembled and test flown in Amherst during the Second World War.



This photo shows the Anson interior with period radio gear at left. The cockpit right seat is fitted slightly aft of the pilot seat similar to the arrangement in the mosquito.



Wednesday is school day at the museum which regularly hosts school tours. Here students get some first-hand information on the Anson. Note the model to the right which is finished in clear material on one side to show construction of the full size Anson. This model rotates on a display stand.

The museum's Lancaster nose is shown here in the shop for modifications to take it back to its original war-time state.



Rae sits in the cockpit of the Anson.



The Mossie as we left it Wednesday soon to be hung in flying position.



## THE 2014 ANNUAL HELIS ON ICE.

PRESENTED BY JEREMY DAN.



The 2014 annual Helis on Ice had one of our best turn outs yet with 23 pilots braving the February weather. We had a great day for the event: almost no wind, sunny, and it made it up to 3 degrees.

The day was open to planes this year which generally took the form of fun-cubs and a few sky born glow AC.



Colin Bell put on an amazing show as always with his big Align helicopters.



Many thanks to Christie who cooked up another great batch of pulled Pork and Chili this year.



The food and a bon-fire help keep the cold away. There were very few incidents

(read crashes) this year. I think everyone is getting better at flying fingers.



Next year will see the 5th annual Helis on Ice – It is a great time – hope to see all next February on the Ice!

## HOBBY SHOPS IN OUR ZONE.

### NEW BRUNSWICK

#### WAVETECH R/C HOBBY SHOP

556 Champlain St, Dieppe,  
New Brunswick. E1A 1P4.

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<http://www.wavetechrc.com/>

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N.B Canada E3V 4A2

PH: (506)-737-8700

Fax (506)-737-8701

Email: [Info@VarioCanada.com](mailto:Info@VarioCanada.com)

### NOVA SCOTIA

#### Maritime Hobbies and Craft

[www.maritimehobbies.com](http://www.maritimehobbies.com)

1521 Grafton St. Halifax,  
Nova Scotia, B3J 2B9  
902-423-8870

#### R/C Wings & Wheels

[www.rcwings.com](http://www.rcwings.com)

490 Rte. 325  
Blockhouse, Nova Scotia  
902-624-9519

#### Mighty Small Cars

552 Windmill Road  
Dartmouth, NS  
902 423-9298  
Owner is Geoff Davis.

### NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

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[www.signalhobbies.com](http://www.signalhobbies.com)

36 Pearson, St. John's, NL  
A1A 3R1

709-722-7021

### PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

#### Great Hobbies.

171 Buchanan Drive, Char-  
lottetown, PE I.

(across from Canadian Tire).

<http://>

[www.greathobbies.com](http://www.greathobbies.com)

902-569-3262

1-800-839-3262

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

## SANCTIONED AND OR PLANNED EVENTS IN THE ZONE.

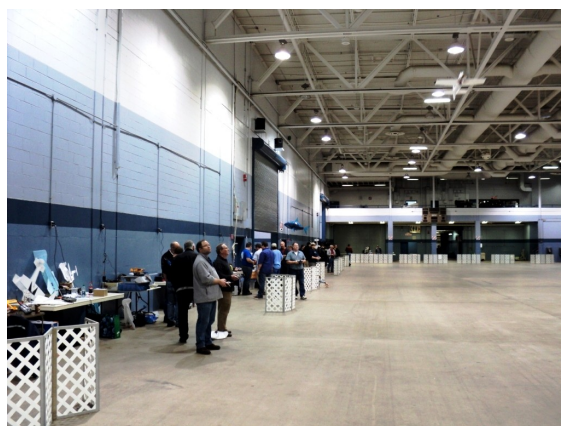
### March 8, 2014 - 1 day.

#### GREATER MONCTON AEROMODELERS.

##### - Indoor Mega Fun-Fly

Admission: \$25 for participants 19 and over (includes buying or selling at the swap shop). 18 and under and spectators are FREE! Time: 9am – 4pm, Saturday, March 8th, 2014. \*Tear down will take place at 4pm, but pilots are welcome to fly until 6pm. Swap Shop: 9am-4pm (bring your own tables) Weather: This event will be a go unless the Coliseum itself is closed due to weather. A valid 2014 MAAC membership is required to fly

at this event. Check this space for cancellations starting on on March 7th. Tables: We rent 20 tables for this event and this is suitable for the pits area only. Swap shop sellers must bring their own tables, and others are encouraged to bring their own tables if possible. Food: We expect to have on site concession service as in past years, but this will not be confirmed in advance. Power: There are outlets along the wall, but you need to bring your own extension cables. Raffle: There will be a raffle for prizes. Tickets will be sold on site. Must be present to win. Draw at 1pm. Sponsors: Welcomed to bring a table or two and sell/market on site and hang a banner. Sponsors donate prize (s) to the raffle.





## SANCTIONED AND OR PLANNED EVENTS IN THE ZONE

### Wings of Wellington Valley Gathering 2014.

## March 22, 2014 - 1 day.

WINGS OF WELLINGTON R/C AIRCRAFT CLUB.

### Valley Gathering 2014.

The Wings of Wellington is very pleased to once again be hosting the Valley Gathering. The event will include a swap shop, education sessions, and day of indoor flying. This year featuring indoor night flying - get those LED's ready! Speakers on a variety of RC related topics will give interested attendees a chance to mix some flying and learning



on the same day. Also – as a fourth record attempt, let's see if we can get more 2.4 GHZ aircraft in the air at one time then those folks in Moncton. Flying Hours: 9:00 AM to 4.00PM. - Swap Shop Hours: 9:00 AM to 4.00PM - We will be sending out a schedule for every one to check out as well. The Facility -The Kentville Sports center (indoor Soccer Arena) is the ideal spot to spread your electric wings, sit back and watch, or drop into a classroom to expand your RC horizons.

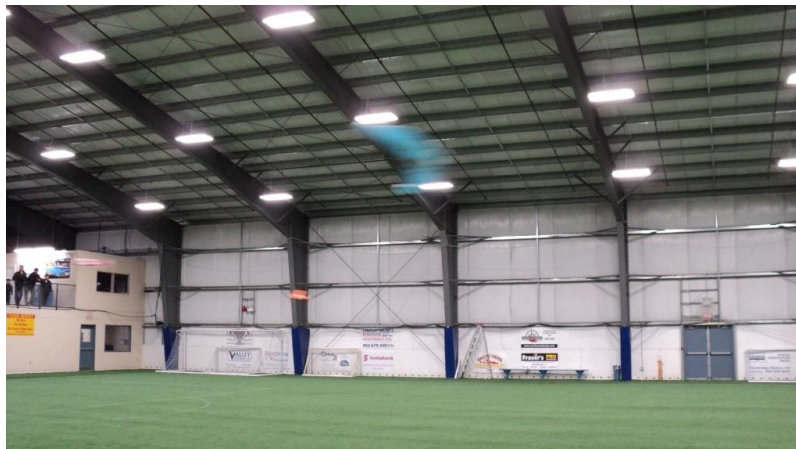
**Notice to all flyers -**  
indoor shoes required – outdoor foot wear cannot be worn on the field.

### Event at a Glance

**8:30 am - registration opens**

**9:00 am - flying starts**

**9:00 am - swap**



**shop opens**

**2:00 pm - demo flights**

**2:15 pm - mass launch**

**2:30 pm - prize draw**

**4:00 pm - event closes**

\* Note - *indoor night flying* - lights out times for will vary depending on flyer turn out with glowing aircraft

### Speaker Schedule – Boardroom (upstairs)

#### **10:00 am - Electricity and Lipos for Dummies**

Everything you need to know about electricity and an introduction to Lipo batteries. All in 75 minutes - and you thought these were complex topics?

*Presented by Jeremy Dann.*

1 hour and 15 minutes



#### **1:00 pm - Designing and Building a Semi-Scale Depron Foamy**

#### **Bits to Airborne in an Afternoon!**

The presentation will discuss the design process and demonstrate the construction of a simple, semi-scale WWI monoplane for indoor and backyard flying from Depron foam. The model will then be flown on the afternoon of the event. 1 to 1 1/2 Hour.



*Presented by Vic Ruzgys and Steve Ryan.*

FROM OUR ZONE DIRECTOR.



Something to think of next time you go flying. Etiquette, what is it? Obviously, it means different things to different people, but in general for us it means using common sense. Don't forget about the field rules when you go flying, all clubs have them, check it out before you fly. If you still fly on 72 MHz, check the frequency board to determine who else is using the frequency your model will be using. If the frequency is in use, find out who the pilot is, and talk about how you can best share the common channel. This is very important now that we have 2.4GHz and don't have to check the board anymore, so don't forget to check before you turn that transmitter on, it could cost you a lot of money today if you had to replace a model that you just shot down, so play safe and have a great fly.

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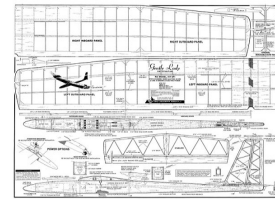
*Here is a little something that I wrote way back, and I thought that I would like to wet your appetite a little for some easy slope flying this summer.*

Slope flying at Read Head Slope Facing due South in Saint John N.B. Overlooking the Bay of Fundy.

The wind was blowing 20 km. from the South, nice and steady, as always, the sun was shining, and just a great evening at the slope, just me and Robin the "Batman". For the first time in my 5 year of slope flying there, a bunch of young Gulls came by, 10 to 15 of them, and they all teamed up with my Gentle lady all bunched up in the same little bubble, just out front of the slope for about 5 min. before they decided that they would continue on. Usually they make a big circle around us when we fly there, so this was really exiting. By now we were joined by Jim the "Russian judge" with his Great Spirit, and what comes along but a adult Falcon checking us out. Just going from glider to glider not being able to figure this out, so he settled down to soar along with us

just as natural as it should be something we do every day. Finally he decided to go on his way, and lo and behold behind us came a great big Osprey with a wingspan of about 3 feet and his wing a lot wider than ours. Over to each glider he goes with claws flexing and head tilting back an fort not sure what this competition was. He was now right above our head so we had a great view of him, what a great feeling to soar with some of the great champions of the wild. He as the Falcon did not seem to mind us, and after a while, as we were not doing any wild moves, just hanging around, to see what his next move would be. He went on his way for something more juicy than some MonoKote and Balsa dust, and lets not forget that little cabbage patch doll in my cockpit, she still had a smile on her face when I brought her in. Whew, what a day. See what you guys are missing. This winter build that glider, it really is a great way to get some stick time in, and peace and quiet to boot.

This is a site with lots of info and tips, check it out!  
[www.liftzone.com](http://www.liftzone.com)



Carl Goldberg's Gentle Lady is an excellent model to build and fly, hold your cursor on the drawing to download the plan. And when you are there, go to their home page; <http://outerzone.co.uk/> to search for one of their 5320 Plans.

And not to forget your guys flying the RareBear:  
<http://www.rarebear.com/>

