



MAAC'S ZONE B NEWSLETTER

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Takeoff is optional
But landing is mandatory

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Honoring a WW2 verteran Pilot Officer Ed Mann. Stories from modelers Mike Sebastien and Chris Dean

AMAZING
Micro XXS
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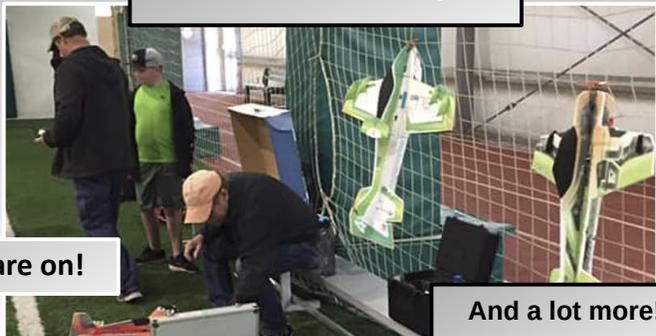
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The indoors are on!



Octoberfest fun fly



And a lot more!

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OCTOBERFEST 2019 Wings of Wellington field Oct 05th



The personalities

Photos by Ted Brown and Jeremy Dann

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The planes



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Northumberland RC Modelers day at the field Oct 06



Cruises along nicely around 150kph at less than half throttle and giving me 6 minute flights with my current battery setup (4 x 3300 6s packs). Paul Sinnis

Photos by CKWalker

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Honoring a WW2 veteran Mike Sebastien's story

A few years ago I purchased an old CARF Spitfire, rebuilt it and successfully (kind of) flew it. It was always a problem and I never really enjoyed flying it. I was flying it at the 2019 Regis Landry Warbird Fly-in at Truro, NS and I was really frustrated with it as there was always an issue with it. Landed and put a for sale sign on it. Chris Dean of the Windsor RC Club approached me and he wanted to purchase it to give it to his son-in-law's father, Brain Mann. Brian Mann's Father, Pilot Officer Ed Mann (deceased) was a Spitfire pilot during WW2 and they wanted to give it to him, as a way of remembering this WW2 Hero.. I saw this as a way for me to honour one of Canada's Heroes and I gave the Spit to them instead. Chris asked me to put the name "Florence" on the side of the Spit before he picked it up as Pilot Officer Ed Mann's Spitfire was named after his wife "Florence" who is still alive and living in a long term care facility. I also re-did the markings on the Spit to match the aircraft he flew during WW2. There is a whole other story about that Spitfire. Chris and I made arrangements that the Spitfire was going to be given to Brian Mann at the South Shore fall bash that was being held at Greenfield, NS. It was going to be a surprise. That Sunday of the Greenfield fall bash, there were 4 generations of the Mann family who came to watch when I gave the Spitfire to Brain Mann. The youngest was Edward Mann who is 18 months old named after his Great Grandfather. It was very emotional and I was honoured to be able to meet Pilot Officer Ed Mann's family and to do something so small that this family's history would be remembered.

During the research of this project I also discovered that P/O Ed Mann was a member of 421 RCAF Sqn during WW2. I was posted to 439 Sqn, Baden, Germany, A good friend of mine, Capt Wally Niemi was a pilot with 421 Sqn flying CF104's. Wally and I met in Moose Jaw, Sask, 1978 while he was attending the basic Jet Pilot course and I was an Airframe Tech working on Tutors. We were both members of the Moose Jaw RC club and we had a blast flying together in Germany and in Moose Jaw. Sadly he later died in a F18 crash while serving his country. Also while researching I found Wally's sister on Facebook and also his 2 sons that I didn't know Wally had. I shared this story with them and other stories about Wally; they were grateful. Wally and I had a lot of fun in Moose Jaw and Germany flying RC airplanes. Anyone remember the Sureflite Spitfire? It was one of the first all foam aircraft to be produced, it was cheap and terrible to fly. We put a K & B 40 on it with a Du-bro Flow thru muffler. Taxing was impossible and take-offs were always hoping for the best. If you slowed them down they'd snap, full throttle all the time. They were great and Wally did some amazing things with that airplane, but that is another story. I am an Injured Veteran, I served for 30 years in the Canadian Air Force. I now build airplanes that are significant in Canadian Military Aviation and that has helped me cope with my injury. I lost many friends during my time in the Military and this experience has been about Honouring 2 Heroes, P/O Ed Mann and Capt Wally Niemi who fought and served for Canada.. Remembrance day will soon be here and to be able to do this small thing to honour these Heroes, who gave unselfishly to protect the freedom of Canada has brought new meaning to my hobby. Lest we forget.



Photos by Debbie
Sebastien

Honoring a WW2 veteran Chris Dean's story

I'm an RC flyer. I have both loved and hated this sport since I started flying; love for the thrill and pleasure it gives and hate for the inevitable ineffable repairs. It always seems there is some sort of story going around the airfield.

I have always loved the look of the Spitfire from the Second World War. It's a beautiful plane. I share this love with my son-in-law Graham Mann, who proudly displays spitfire pictures in their family home to honor his late grandfather Edmund James Mann. Ed Mann was a spitfire pilot in WWII. After marrying his wife, Florence, in late 1943, Mann was posted overseas to England to prepare for the Allied invasion of France. He served in the No. 421 Squadron RCAF, and once flew as a fighter escort for British Prime Minister Winston Churchill. Graham and his father Brian, cherish film footage of the airfield Mann flew out of in WWII. They also have the usual pictures taken at the camp with pilot Ed Mann sitting on the wing of the plane, nose over landings and general photos around the aerodrome.

At a family gathering, Brian expressed an interest in visiting the field to watch me and my friends fly. He also said it had always been a dream of his to have a model of his father's spitfire plane. He told me about his father's plane being found in an English museum and traded to a Polish museum for another plane. This museum restored the plane to its original colors and the call numbers. Over the years it has been used in many movies such as *The Battle of Britain* and been painted different colors to simulate other planes in the shots. The museum got in touch with Brian, with an open invitation to visit anytime, and even sit in the cockpit.

While working on a piece for the anniversary of D Day, CBC news writer Richard Woodbury found out about the Mann family story and wrote a beautiful article about Mann and the history of his spitfire both during the war and the recent developments.

I happened to be at a Warbirds meet in Truro and met a fellow flyer Mike Sebastien for the first time. Mike had a 50cc spitfire he was going to fly but he expressed a little frustration with the plane and joked he wanted to sell it. It looked a little beat-up but I remembered Brian's wishes to have a model painted to resemble his dad's.

I relayed the story of Ed Mann to Mike and after he flew the spitfire he came over to me, and said he loved the story and wanted to give the spitfire to Brian – and paint it to replicate the original with Ed's call numbers and the name Florence on the side (exactly like Ed's plane).

As a surprise to Brian Mann, the whole family came to watch me and the other flyers at Greenfield airport outside Liverpool Nova Scotia. We walked around looking and admiring all the models until we arrived at Mike Sebastien's site. He removed a blanket from the newly rebranded spitfire and asked Brian what he thought. Brian was lost for words and was very emotional when Mike told him it was his! It was a complete act of kindness from a total stranger honoring Veteran's and their families. Chris Dean MAAC 75313.



A CBC ITEM ON ED MANN AND HIS SPITFIRE
<https://newsinteractives.cbc.ca/longform/finding-florence>



Photos by Debbie
Sebastien

Paul Sinnis's NEW T-33 EDF



Picked this up yesterday. My winter project. Going to be a 12s 105mm EDF setup. Going with this paint scheme.



Dale Smith has a new ride



New 20cc Pilot RC Edge 540 arrived today. Going to be an amazing plane. Should be an eye catcher in the air and on the ground. I can't wait for the maiden. That'll be the first and only chance for me to fly it.



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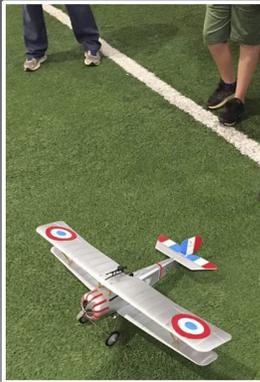
Wings of Wellington RC Flying Club indoor Oct 30



Photos by Barry Lloyd

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South Shore RC Flying 1st indoor of the season



Photos by Alan Smith

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St. John's R/C Flyers Fall Report

The outdoor flying season has finished with only unscheduled flying happening as weather permits. A day of fall field maintenance took place just in time to take advantage of heavy rains. Nearly fifty bags of lime and fertilizer was applied by push spreaders. With the average age of our membership increasing, we may have to look at a more automated approach to this activity.

The last Fun Fly took place on October 19th with attendance being lower than expected. Winds were forecasted to be slightly higher than what actually occurred. I'm assuming several of the regular pilots opted to stay away because of the forecast. The eight pilots that did take in the day had lots of air time to themselves. No mishaps to be reported, however some help with the low idle needle setting by Steve Boulos finally allowed for Robert Dicks to get past his two previous "dead sticks" in the outlying bog. The morning was capped off with the usual BBQ lunch. Due to the low pilot turnout, all the participants were well fed. Early morning coffee and doughnuts was once again hosted by Cato Hanson. This was very much appreciated as the early morning temps were cool.

Indoor flying has started once again. Early indications are fewer than normal numbers of pilots taking advantage of the opportunity. Future discussions may develop around whether this is a worthwhile cost to the club. Another less cost option is available for those club members who are either retired or have flexible work schedules.

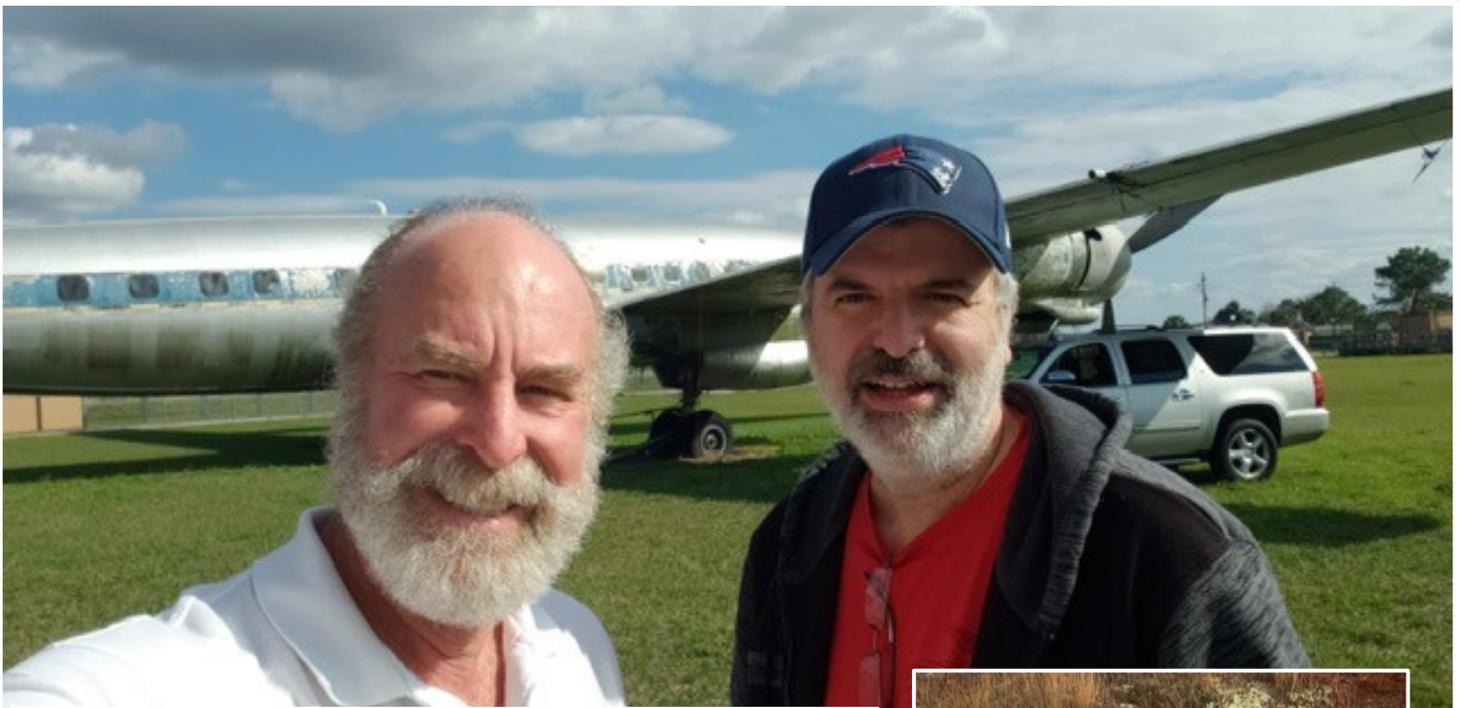


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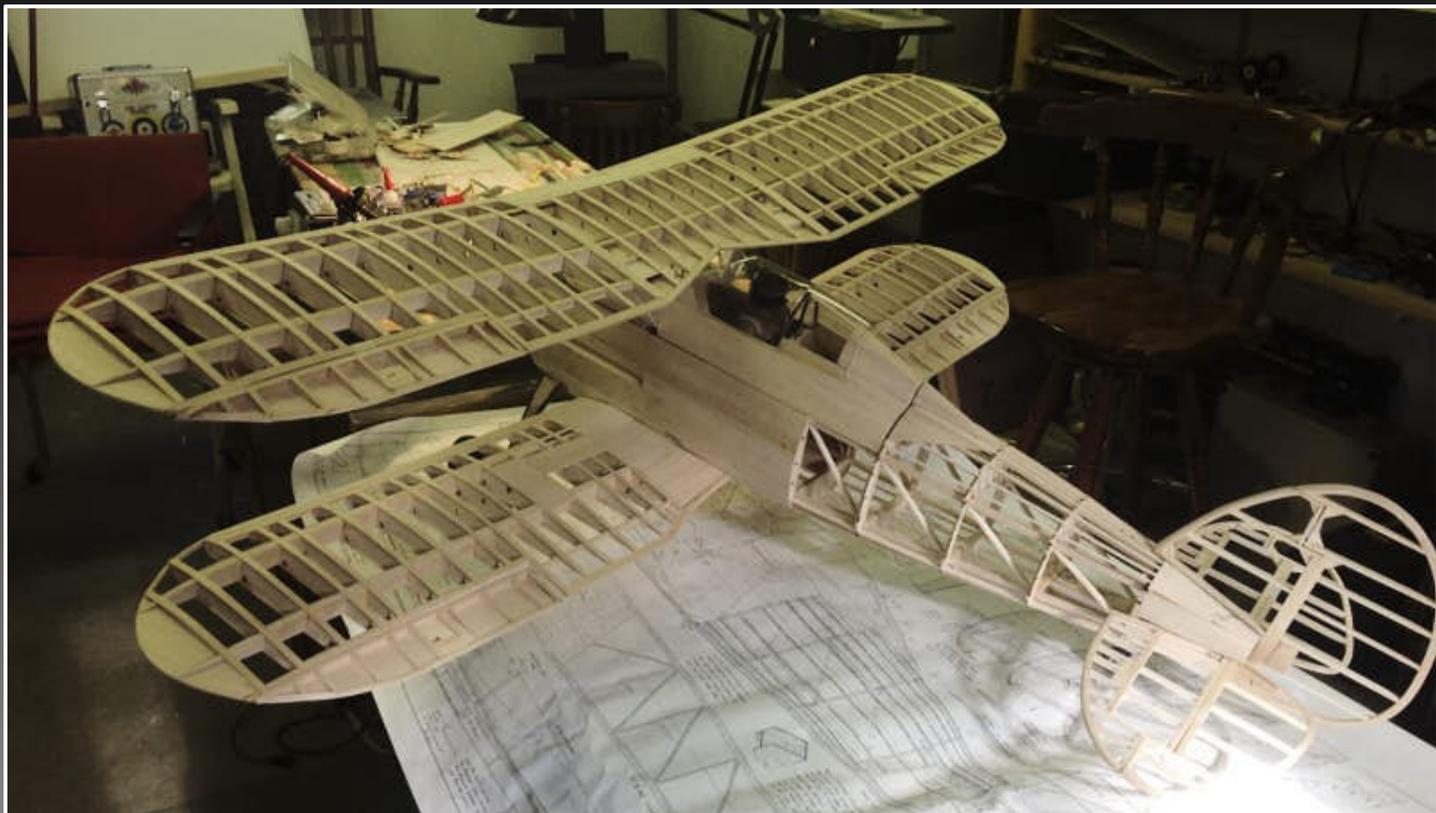
On a slightly different topic, I'm amazed by the amount of untapped knowledge exists in the members of our club. Sure, with time spent in our hobby, you have to accumulate experience and knowledge of what it takes to maintain and fly your aircraft but every now and then a whole new side of someone's knowledge shows its self. Such is the case of one of our club members. During the last two monthly meetings, Stephen Benson has presented slide shows of aviation related topics that I and many others of our club had no prior knowledge. His recent presentation was of Kermit Weeks and his Fantasy of Flight museum just outside of Orlando, Florida. Stephen has a passion for all things aviation, and it shows in the information he brings forward and the enthusiasm in which it is presented. I hope other clubs are also gifted with membership of diversely knowledgeable individuals and are taking full advantage of their expertise.

By the time the next newsletter comes out, St. John's R/C Flyers will have a new executive elected for the 2020 flying season. Until then, make the most of what's left of the 2019 flying season.



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Jim Lloyd's Gloster Gladiator



The wing Span of the Gladiator will be 58" with a motor size 60
Aiming for 8lbs all up weight
when finished

Gloster Gladiator in action



Aircraft Number 187

Photos by Jim Lloyd

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Jim Gavel's Spitfire Maiden Oct. 20th



Post gear failure on landing. Although the gear info said good to 25 lbs, I think that was over stated somewhat. While the actuators and mounting blocks withstood the force the soft aluminum struts did not fare so well. Not only did they bend but the suspension springs were pushed out as well, see pics. To be fair, the landing was very hard, but I don't think hard enough for the extensive strut damage that occurred. So back to gear manufacturers and try to find more robust struts and axles.



Maiden flight video

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q0sUFkeUbCl&fbclid=IwAR0ZZKcx44YH_9xzzFx45C1ext0bGqhxaaarZRPihheayJcv5AFKTEPI9zc



Photos by Terry Bullerwell

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RICHIBUCTO RC CLUB a new club with new fields

**Gilles Daigle provided these photos.
Great looking site Gilles!**



<https://www.richibuctorc.com/>

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Atlantic (B) Annual Zone Meeting MINUTES

MODEL AERONAUTICS ASSOCIATION OF CANADA.

Atlantic (B) Annual Zone Meeting.

**Immaculate Conception Church
699 Prince Street. Truro NS. (September 28/2019 1:00pm)**

September 28 2019.

Meeting Called to order

**Meeting called to order by Cato Hansen at 13:30 Recording Secretary: Jon Eastman
29972 DZD**

Present

**Zone Director: Cato Hansen 61451L ZD Deputy Zone Director: Jon Eastman 29972 DZD
Assisting Zone Director: Sandy McInnis 10790L Thirteen (13) members Thirty five (35)
Proxies A total of forty eight (48) Quorum needed: Twenty Seven (25)**

Approval Of Agenda

**The agenda was approved and moved by Sandy McInnis 10790L. Second by Glen Miller
26354. Action: Carried.**

Opening Remarks

**Cato Hansen welcomed everyone to the AZM and then advised that a Quorum had been
reached and the annual meeting could continue. He then asked all the members present
to introduce themselves.**

**Club Reports Mark Ramsay reported about the Riverside club. He talked about the
season they had, and that the club had been slow this season.**

**Kevin McKay reported on the Shearwater club. They had a great fun fly this season and
considering the weather they had a great turnout. There is some concern about keeping
enough military members to keep the club running.**

**Sandy McInnis reported on the Avon club. They had a great turnout for their July fun fly,
but due to the hurricane Dorian their scale event had to be canceled.**

**John O'Sullivan reported on the HEFA club. It was a very busy season and that the club
still has a large membership**

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Charlie Hope spoke about the Saint John modellers. Their membership is about the same as years past and they were lucky this year with no more damage to their flying field. There was also lots of slope soaring this past season as well.

Charles Sparrow reported on the Truro club. They had the same membership and the club had been very busy all season long with the field being used almost every day. They also had a great turnout for the warbird fun fly and that it was wonderful weather that day.

Paul Sinnis reported on the Northumberland Modelers. A few new members reported, and they continue to have a very busy indoor season. They didn't have a fun fly this year but they did have an IMAC competition.

Jon Eastman reported on the ASRCM club. There had been no new members. There was also a fun fly. The club field has been slow all season

Approval of the AZM Minutes 2017

Moved by Ian Clarke. Seconded by Sandy McInnis. Action: Carried.

Zone Director Report

This has been a busy year with all the rewriting and approval of documents still ongoing, and the whole Transport Canada issue. Thankfully we had a great representation from MAAC on the TC Board and the revamp of the TC Board in itself with more TC employers that had really knowledge in what we were doing and the end result as you all know it was a good deal for our members. Sadly I had to attend two funerals this year, one in Dartmouth for Steve in April and just this month in Pokemouche for Regis's wife Laverne.

I attended six events this year and had my Deputy Jon attend one for me and Sandy attended two, I also contributed coffee and doughnuts and \$ donations to several clubs as a good will gesture on behalf of the Zone. Your Zone also sponsored the Annual Regis landry Warbird event in full. In April I attended the Annual MAAC General Meeting in Kamloops BC, and this year we only had two days of meeting as we had done most of the hard work by teleconference calls, all in all we had 14 teleconference meetings this year and I had 2294 emails to answer and send to the BOD, total of Zone B communication was 364 e-mails and 107 e-blast to you all. I also went to Summerside PEI to have a meeting with the Airport Management there to try to establish a flying field for a new club there, but the result was no, so they are flying out of one of the members field in the area as just members, so no new club was started because of narrow minded Airport officials.

We had 36 events in our Zone this year and only two cancellations, and Jim Lloyd and I had two school projects for the science classes at my local Junior high school. The next project to follow is that MAAC has been given all the rights and material from Lloyd Shales and Rolly Simonsen to the rubber power "Minnow" and "Sparrow Glider".

I have taken on the responsibility to try to get this project started, I'm currently talking to a local MAAC member regarding the Laser cutting, will keep you all posted when all is wrapped up. As of September 27, we have 490 Members in our Zone; we are down 15 from last year.

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Committee Reports

Electric Indoor Committee report was presented by Sandy McInnis.

New Business

John O'Sullivan had some questions about some flying friends traveling from the United States. He was wondering if the flyers were covered if they were flying anywhere else other than a MAAC sanctioned event. Cato explained that this wasn't up to MAAC to deal with as AMA Members have their own Insurance and they have to check with their AMA, but they are not covered by MAAC if flying outside an MAAC sanction field or event.

Recommendations

Marc Ramsay asked for some information as to MAAC's position on GPS guided airplanes. This new technology is changing quickly and he was wondering if MAAC covers this.

Action: Cato Hansen will look into this matter with MAAC

There were no Resolutions

Nomination for Zone Director

There was only one nomination for Zone Director. Cato will continue to be zone director by acclamation for another two year term.

There were no nominations for Leader Member

There were no nominations for Hall of Fame

There were no nominations for Pioneers

There were no nominations for Lifetime Achievement

Volunteers for MAAC Committee

R/C Indoor electric - Sandy McInnis 10790L. Beginners - Jim Lloyd 41556L.

There was no other business that may properly come before or after the meeting but not on the agenda.

The location and the date for the 2020 AZM has not been set.

**The meeting was adjourned at 4:15pm Approved by Charles Sparrow. Seconded by Sandy McInnis. Recording Secretary : Jon Eastman.
Signed by Cato Hansen ZD.**

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HOBBY SHOPS IN OUR ZONE.

NEW BRUNSWICK

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Owner is Geoff
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Maritime Hobbies
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36 Pearson, St.
John's, NL A1A 3R1
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Great Hobbies.
171 Buchanan Drive,
Charlottetown, PE I.

<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.

Some bits and bytes from the Zone



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

WHEN: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2019 7PM - 9PM

LOCATION: SOBEYS COMMUNITY ROOM; 210 WYSE ROAD; DARTMOUTH, NS

ALL MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE!!!

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FROM YOUR ZONE DIRECTOR

Hi all,

I hope you have found an indoor site for this winter season or got a kit, what is a kit, a kit is a big box of balsa that you have to assemble and make into an model, now it might be a bunch of foam or maybe you have one of those fancy printers that makes all kinds of little gadgets or even a model if you have the time to sit and wait and attend such a thing, I guess I'm getting old, I will stick to balsa and foam. So why not build something for the indoor, it being electric, rubber power or just a simple slow flying glider. The sad thing is that building your model is really getting to be a thing of the past, so whatever you're fancy, you should try to create something and you will really get to appreciate it when your creation is flying as there is something magic happening, not just something that you got in a box for two hundred bucks worth twelve bucks in el. and foam.

Well that's enough ranting for this time, so have fun and be courteous to all.
Cato.

Some indoor events have resumed in Nova Scotia. If indoors are happening in other areas of the zone please pass the information on to me.

The popular Wings of Wellington indoor has resumed on Wednesdays 1-4pm at the Credit Union Rec Complex in Kentville. \$10.00 per afternoon.

Northumberland RC Modelers have resumed their indoor Monday nights 5:30pm - 9:30pm at the Nova Scotia Community College in Stellarton. \$10 per night MAAC Membership Required.

Shearwater RC flyers will once again be hosting an indoor on Sunday's beginning 3 Nov if weather outside is not good. Look for posts on their website/facebook indicating whether they are indoors or outdoors on Sundays.

**The South Shore RC flyers indoor is on as well. November dates are as follows:
SAT NOV 2 at 11.0 - 1.0pm
Sunday, November 10: 1-3 PM
Saturday, November 16: 2-4
Friday, November 22: 2-4
All welcome, drones, helicopters, planes**

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