



Stetson Flyer

Stetson Flyers Model Airplane Club

February 2010



Gerry Pronovost treated the members to a history lesson going back into the early days of radio control.



John Jackson demonstrated the latest upgrade to the Ace Micropro 8000—a 2.4 GHz Spektrum upgrade.

Special Meeting

Tuesday, February 23rd

Vintage Wings

7:00 PM Start Time

Short meeting at 7:15

Bring Indoor Shoes!

For Directions:

<http://www.vintagewings.ca>

Note: We only have one tour guide on this evening, so this event is for Stetson members and prospective members only.

NO Bring and Brag this month!

Coming Stetson Events...

February 23 rd	Vintage Wings Meeting
March 6 th	Winter Fun Fly
March 30 th	Regular Meeting
April 27 th	Regular Meeting
May 15 th	Field Cleanup Day
May 25 th	Proposed Dinner Meeting
June 5 th	Ed Rae Memorial Fun Fly
June 26 th	Classic Warbirds Fun Fly
July 1 st	Canada Day at C A M
August 7 th	Helicopter Fun Fly
Sept 11-12 th	Giant Scale Rally
Sept 15 th	New Flyers Fun Fly
Sept 28 th	Regular Meeting

Our website address: <http://www.stetsonflyers.com>

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There is always room to add your name here too!

Mailing Address:

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Dues:

\$70.00 per calendar year;
\$30.00 for students under 18
\$120.00 for families—two adults plus children

Please visit our web site at

<http://www.stetsonflyers.com>

Our web site is hosted as a community service by



Newsletter Questions and Answers

I used to get emails about club events, but they stopped coming – what happened?

Most likely your email address changed or failed and we were not given a new one. When the electronic version is ready for download we send out a reminder as well as for important events and notices. To get back on our mailing list, send your email address to: contact@stetsonflyers.com

Meetings

The Stetson Flyers meet at 7:30 on the last Tuesday of each month, except for December, June, July or August. The meetings are held at the Canada Aviation Museum in the Bush Theatre.

Bring and Brag

Each meeting we encourage members and guests to bring something of interest to show to the group. It could be a new plane, a build in progress, or a demo of a technique. Where there are three or more items brought to the meeting we will try and have a prize draw. Items for sale are welcome but are not eligible for the Bring and Brag prize draw.

Use the back door to the museum!

To get to the back door follow the roads around to the extreme left side of the museum. Pass through the gate in the fence and proceed to the back door.

Photo Credits:

Unless noted otherwise, photos in this newsletter are by our webmaster Simon Nadler, or our newsletter editor John Jackson, or our Vice President Hal MacDonald.

Want to propose something?

Dues paying members can bring motions from the floor at any regular meeting. The motion will need to be seconded, then discussed and voted on by the members present. Sometimes the outcome is that the motion is tabled so more information, implications, etc. can be gathered and presented.

You can help speed up the process by giving the executive a “heads up” by sending an email to contact@stetsonflyers.com, ideally before the executive meeting which happens the Tuesday before a regular meeting. This will allow the executive team a chance to research the idea in advance of the meeting and gather any required information.

Meeting Minutes 26 January 2010

The meeting was opened at 7:43 pm with a motion from Bob Butterworth, seconded by Marcel Pronovost. There were 46 members in attendance.

Guests greeted included Paul Reardon, Gerry Pronovost, Shaun Carroll and Gord Fink.

A motion to accept the minutes as published was made by Simon Nadler, seconded by Wayne Smith.

Treasurer's Report – John Jackson has volunteered to assume the position of Treasurer to maintain separation of duties with Dan Marcotte, President. The GIC was renewed at 0.5% interest. A reminder that the club as a corporation is not eligible for the higher returns offered to individuals through organizations like ING Direct or President's Choice. The details of the Treasurer's report are listed separately in this newsletter. A motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented was made by Gary Robertson and seconded by Wayne Smith.

Membership – the current membership renewed for 2010 is 60.

Webmasters Report – no report, all going well.

Newsletter Report – Now that we are not sending paper newsletters, we can have longer newsletters that do not have to end on an even number of pages. Those having trouble opening the newsletter are urged to upgrade their Adobe Acrobat Reader to the latest version. So far this has resolved every newsletter opening issue that we know about.

Field Report – No Dog signs have been erected at the field making it clear that dogs are not permitted outside the parking lot. A handicapped parking sign has also been installed as required by law.

CFI Report – Simon reported that he is actively working on a plan for Flight School and will have something to present to the executive within about two weeks.

Events – The First Flights of the New Year were claimed as a group rather than an individual since all members had their engines idling before the start time. The list of Stetson events was accepted as proposed at the Zone meeting which was attended by Hal MacDonald in December. Gary requested volunteers to step forward for the Classic event which so far has no owner. On February 23rd the meeting location moves to Vintage Wings in Gatineau for a tour of the museum there. Since we have only one tour guide we cannot accommodate a large

crowd so attendance is limited to current members and those in the process of signing up. Bring indoor footwear – no boots allowed in the museum! A reminder during Bring and Brag to keep the noise level down out of respect for the presenters. The May Dinner meeting proposal was discussed and the first offer at the restaurant was \$25.00 per person. Several members commented that their ribs were excellent and it would not be a good idea to remove them to bring the price down. Some members wanted to be able to order a la carte, but we must have a minimum number to make this work. Tickets for the event will be sold in advance.

New Business – John Jackson presented a motion to change the name of the Ed Rae Memorial Fun Fly to The Stetson Flyers Memorial Fun Fly. The reason was that we wish to honour several deceased members and we cannot have a fun fly named after each one of them. The issue was discussed at length by Scott Clarke, Gerry Nadon and they explained how Ed Rae did so much for the club, maintaining the field meticulously, making signs and not wanting to take any payment for his efforts. While others have contributed, none to the extent that Ed Rae did. The general feeling was that we should continue to keep the name Ed Rae Memorial Fun Fly and have a remembrance of key deceased members (plaque, memorial book, etc) along with a moment of silence during the event. The motion was defeated with one vote for the motion and about 40 votes against. The nature of the remembrance was directed back to the executive for further study.

Hal presented the paperwork required to report an incident to MAAC insurance. The info is all on the web site and one of the club requirements is to have an active loss prevention program, which our monthly safety speech fulfills. When there is an accident the deductible is \$2500; MAAC pays \$2000, the club pays \$250 and the member pays \$250. If your guest causes the incident the member who brought them is responsible to pay. If a member injures themselves or their own property there would be no claim. MAAC will do nothing until they receive their \$500 from the club and member which is why the reporting forms have a place for a credit card number. If there is an incident, it is critical that the club executive are informed promptly and also the Zone Director.

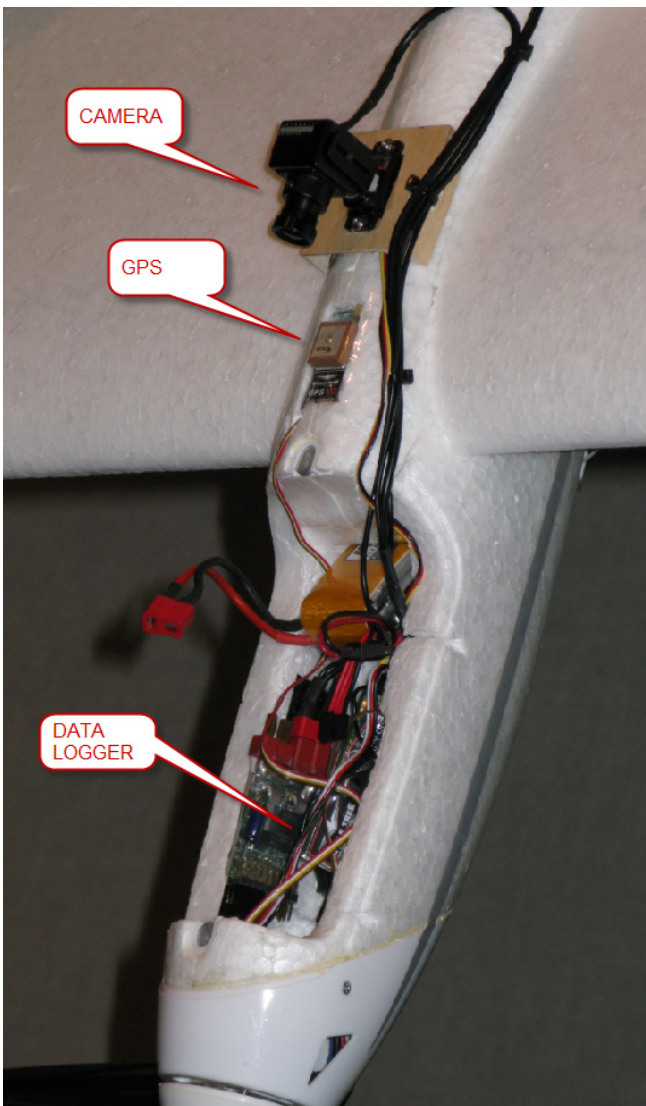
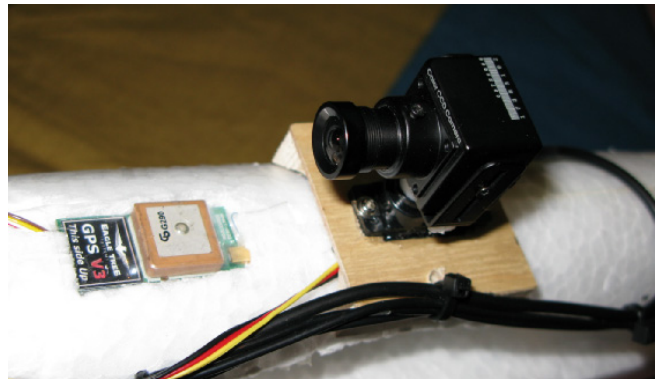
The 50/50 was won by John Jackson (\$59.00) and a motion to close the meeting was made by Dan Murphy and seconded by Wayne Smith at 8:43.

Bring and Brag followed with presentations by Gerry Pronovost and John Jackson, and then a feature presentation on FPV flying by Scott Clarke and Ed Whynott.

FPV Presentation at January Meeting



Scott Clarke and Ed Whynott gave an excellent presentation and demonstration of FPV or First Person Viewpoint. Their plane was hooked up to a TV Monitor so we could see the output of the camera as it panned around the room. Flying with FPV is legal providing you are on a buddy box with another pilot.



Treasurer's Report for 26 January 2010

Investment:

✦ TD Term Deposit GIC renewed for one year at .50% **\$10,440.47**

Bank balance

✦ December 1st, 2009 **\$ 479.33**

Revenue:

✦ Total revenues of hat sale, 50/50 and membership renewal **\$ 2,656.00**

Expenses:

✦ Bank fees \$ 44.90
 ✦ Travel cost - President's Meeting in Brockville (Hal Macdonald) \$ 50.00
 ✦ Canada Post renewal for one year plus stamps \$ 142.17
 ✦ No dog zone & handicap signs, posts and screws \$ 187.81
 ✦ Paper, photocopies, toner, stamps, envelopes \$ 81.72
 ✦ Field rental for one year \$ 1,284.00
Total expenses \$ 1,790.60

Bank Balance:

- As of January 26 **\$ 1,344.73**
 (outstanding \$772. for top soil)