

**June, 2004**

# **TOPCAP**

**The Newsletter of the ORCC**

**This Month's Meeting: Tuesday, June 1st**  
Entertainment for the April meeting will be:

**A Big Surprise !!!**  
**Be sure not to miss It**

## **Your President's Message**

There isn't too much to tell you about this month. As I mentioned at the last meeting, from my perspective, things appear to be chugging along quite nicely right now. To me, this is clearly attributable to the excellent support, enthusiasm and ingenuity of our club executive, the TopCap editor, and the chairs of the various special interest groups. Thanks guys!

### **Display ORCC and MAAC Membership Cards**

Just another friendly reminder to be sure to display your ORCC membership card and your MAAC membership cards prominently on either your field box or your person. This is a requirement of both MAAC and the ORCC and is to ensure that pilots have renewed all of their memberships and insurance BEFORE they come out to fly.

...And while I think of it, now is a good time to review the ORCC field regulations on the website and the MAAC safety code (which can be found at [www.maac.ca](http://www.maac.ca)).  
Let's have another safe and happy flying season.

### **2004 Events**

Please check the club's website and [www.calmdays.com](http://www.calmdays.com) for all of the exciting ORCC events for 2004 as well as various other local events being put on by our friends in other clubs in the region. I hope that you have a great flying season.

### **Questions...concerns...**

If you have a question or concern about anything relating to the ORCC I invite you to contact me directly at [weekesj@rogers.com](mailto:weekesj@rogers.com) or call me at home 727-0066 or on my cell 889-2025. I want to ensure that your experience as a member of the ORCC is as enjoyable as possible.

**John**

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## **Float Flying ... By Aurele Alain**

The 10<sup>th</sup> annual Doug Pinhey Float Fly is scheduled for Saturday, June 26 at 10:00am. The event is a little later than other years in hopes of attracting better weather and more flyers. The event will also feature my special chili along with hotdogs and refreshments. Spectators are always welcome!

I am pleased to announce that MAAC has sponsored the Doug Pinhey Float Fly by providing \$100 for the purchase of gift certificates and prizes for the event. Many thanks to Richard Barlow, Ottawa Valley Zone director, for his support.

By the time you read this, the ORCC retrieval boat will be back at the pond. I hope to have the opportunity to give it an extra coat of paint before putting it out for the summer. If you need a key for either the gate or the boat, please feel free to contact me at 738-8797 or by e-mail at aurele.alain@sympatico.ca.

Have a great summer of float flying.

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## **FOR SALE**

I retired from flying in 1998 and am offering the following for sale (price negotiable):

- Bingo with OS Max FP .60 & Futaba Conquest FP-T4NBF radio (less than 2 hr flight time): \$140.00
- Bird-of-Time sailplane with Hitec Flash 4 radio; (only a few hours flight time): \$120.00
- Kadet trainer (well used, needs new engine) with Futaba Conquest FP-T4NBF radio: \$40.00.
- Gentle Lady sailplane with Futaba Conquest FP-T4NBF radio: \$35.00.

**Gerry Venier, 592-1788, veniergo@sympatico.ca**

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## **FOR SALE**

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Bristol M1, 62 span, Balsa USA kit, RTF, custom built, Koveral finish, only flown electric, scale wheels, flying wires, pull/pull. Good flier, never crashed, \$150.

Astro - 40 cobalt geared motor \$125; 204 ESC 36 cells \$50; gearbox for cobalt motors \$25  
Speed 600 \$5. FX35 ESC 20 cells \$45

**Lindsay Blair 733-7746**

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## THERMAL EVENTS ... 2004

Date	Event
June 5 & 6	ORCC Annual 2 Day Thermal Duration Contest
June 19	ORCC MATS C2VM Hand Launch Challenge Round 3
June 27	Fun Fly
July 25	Fun Fly
August 21	11 <sup>th</sup> Annual ORCC MATS Challenge
August 29 Fun Fly	Fun Fly
September 11 & 12	Ottawa Area Aerotow Arnprior RC Field
September 19	ORCC MATS C2VM hand Launch Challenge Round 5
September 26	Fun Fly
October 31	Fun Fly

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### Membership Update ... By Aurele Alain

The ORCC membership currently stands at 127 members. Please let me know as soon as possible if you are going to join the ORCC for 2004. Remember, you must join before you can fly... or you may be disappointed that you have missed out on a great flying day. Give me a call at 738-8797 or contact me by e-mail at [join@ottawarccclub.com](mailto:join@ottawarccclub.com) if you have any questions.

There have been a few instances of members wondering why it is taking me so long to send them their membership cards. I usually process memberships within 24 to 48 hours of receiving them. If you have not received your membership, your application may have been lost in the mail. In the worse case scenario, you should have your membership card back from me within 2 weeks of when you mailed it to me. You will usually get it back within 1 week, depending upon Canada Post! Please feel free to contact me if your membership seems to be taking a long time.

Have a safe summer!

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### ORCC 2004 Events

Event Name	Date(s)
Concours d'Elegance	April 6 (Tuesday)
Two-Day Annual Thermal Glider Event	June 5 and 6 (Saturday and Sunday)
Doug Pinhey Float Fly	June 26 (Saturday)
SMALL Event and Pig Roast	July 24 (Saturday)
ORCC - MATS Challenge	August 21 (Saturday)
Greater Ottawa Aero Tow	September 11 and 12 (Saturday and Sunday)
Casual Float Fly	September 23 (Saturday)
Fall Fun Fly	October 15 (Saturday)

### ORCC 2004 Memberships

Junior .. 10  
 Open .. 72  
 Senior .. 34  
 Life .. 9  
 Non Flying .. 2  
 Total .. 127

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### Dates to Rember

Club Meeting Dates	TopCap Submission Dates
Tues. June 1st	Fri. May 14th (for June TopCap)
Tues. Sep. 7th	Fri. Aug. 20th (for Sep. TopCap)
Tues. Oct. 5th	Fri. Sep. 17th (for Oct. TopCap)
Tues. Nov. 2nd	Fri. Oct. 15th (for Nov. TopCap)
Tues. Dec. 7th	Fri. Nov. 19th (for Dec. TopCap)

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## Annual Doug Pinhey Float Fly

The following is the body  
of the letter which Aurele Alain  
wrote to Richard Lyle Barlow requesting  
Financial support for the event.

It is a great tribute to Doug  
And a fine description of the Float Fly.

**Let's have a record turnout!**

The Ottawa Remote Control Club (ORCC) is hosting the annual Doug Pinhey Float Fly on Friday, June 26, 2004. This year marks the 10th anniversary of the float fly which began in 1995. Doug Pinhey was a long time member of the ORCC and a very active R/C flyer. Doug's achievements include building and flying scale models for the CBC series "Flight: A Passionate Affair" which documented the history of flight in Canada.

Doug was a very active float flyer. Upon his death, his family donated a trophy intended for ORCC float flying events. The Doug Pinhey Float Fly has is a non-competitive, fun-fly event with the trophy being awarded on a random draw basis. Each flyer is awarded a ticket for each flight they make thus promoting as many flights as possible during the event. In past years, we have had flyers from Kingston, Cornwall, Montreal and even New-York state come to the event.

For 2004, we have moved the event to late June in hopes of attracting better weather and more flyers. This year, the club is absorbing a deficit for the event (to cover the cost of chilli, drinks, and hot dogs) but would like to receive funding of \$100 for prizes and gift certificates. These prizes would be awarded on a random basis thus ensuring all registered flyers have an equal opportunity to benefit

This donation would be used support local hobby shops which are major supporters of the ORCC in all aspects of the club and the hobby in general. The intent is to purchase \$50 in prizes and gift certificates from each of Discount Hobbies and Dynamic Hobbies

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Past President	Jean Populus	591-9738
TopCap Editor	Tom Ross	733-9470
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Sailplane	Brian Buchanan	824-3723
SMALL / Air Combat	Ken Park	823-1933
Float	Aurele Alain	738-8797
Electric	Paul Penna	731-5627
Yachting & Indoor	Jim Zufelt	733-1210
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MAAC Zone Director	Richard Lyle Barlow	613/348-1696

**ORCC Website :** <http://www.ottawarcclub.ca>

**September Meeting: Tuesday September 7th, 2004**

**ORCC Club Meetings** The first Tuesday of each month  
**Date & Time:** from September to June at 8:00 PM.  
**Location:** McNabb Community Centre  
180 Percy (at Gladstone), Ottawa

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**Closing Date for the September TopCap: Friday August 20th, 2004**