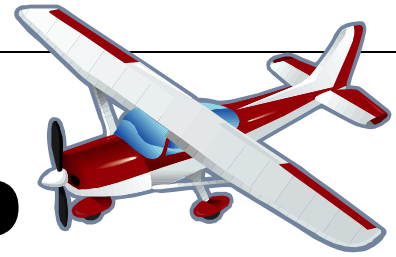




**NOVEMBER 2010**

# **TOPCAP**



**The Ottawa Remote Control Club Newsletter**

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**THIS MONTH'S MEETING: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2010**

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## **President's Message by Mike Toner**

Hello everyone,

Welcome to the November 2010 edition of the TOPCAP.

We are still enjoying some good flying days before the snow arrives. Of course, even after the snow arrives, some of us will still be enjoying some good flying days with our winter flying.

We will be putting out the call for more people to help with the running of the club. We have some vacant positions on the executive committee that need to be filled, and we are still looking for people to take over as TOPCAP editor and as membership chair. This is our club, and it is up to us to make the most of it.

Drummond Field will continue to operate through 2011 and beyond. All pilots will continue to obey the safety rules and avoid the no-fly zones. We have an excellent flying site at Greenway Field, and we must all mind the noise limits in place there. At the Glider Field and at Greenway Field, we must all mind the rules in place to avoid damaging the sod. We have to take good care of our flying sites, and we have to operate safely. The club has an excellent safety record, and we intend to keep it as such. We must all operate our models responsibly.

Within the next month or so, you will be receiving your renewal notice or your ORCC membership. We are all asked to submit our renewals early to make things easier for our membership chairman.

Wishing you good flying and blue skies

- Mike Toner  
ORCC President

## **Membership Update by Aurele Alain**

Membership count as of October 26, 2010

Membership Type	Count
Junior	16
Life	8
Non-Flyer	1
Open	76
Permanent	4
Senior	26
Total:	131

It's that time of the year again! I will be accepting 2011 ORCC membership renewals starting on Tuesday, November 2, 2010 at the monthly club meeting.

For those of you with an e-mail address on file, you will receive from me an e-mail in the next few days. That e-mail will have an attachment containing your personalized ORCC Membership Renewal form. If you can't make the meeting, please mail in your membership. All the information is contained in the attachment.

Hope to see you at the November meeting!

Aurele Alain  
ORCC Membership Chairman

Do you have anything you would like to publish in Topcap? Tell us about your winter project, upcoming events – Wanted to buy or sell – interesting pictures. New articles are always welcome. Please contact [editor@ottawarcclub.ca](mailto:editor@ottawarcclub.ca)

## **Next Meeting**

The ORCC Glider Group will be doing a presentation about the quieter side of the hobby. There will be plenty of models on display to show the range of technology currently in use. Come out and see what goes on at the “other ORCC sod farm”.

## **Fall Fun Fly by Shahram Ghorashi**

This year, the ORCC Fall Fun Fly turned into the grand opening of our new Greenway power field. The new field is a 97 acre sod farm with no obstacles. There is plenty of room for take-offs and landings in any direction. This field will use 2.4 GHz radios only with a noise regulation as stated by MAAC not to exceed 96.0 db. There is a designated parking area and a driving restriction for all other areas of the sod.

For this event, I purchased hamburgers, hotdogs, buns and drinks for lunch and some prizes from Dynamic Hobby, our local hobby store. As usual, they generously donated a Park Flier and gave us a discount on purchased items.

Paul, our field manager, and I were first to arrive at the field. We setup the tables, pilot stations and made other early arrangements. Around 8:30 Mike Toner arrived just in time to organize the registration table.

Registrations started at 9:00 am. We had 32 pilots registered. Flying started after a pilot briefing where the Greenway Field rules of operation were laid out.

This was a great day for us. It was the first time since being with the ORCC that I was able to witness powered airplanes, gliders and helicopters flying simultaneously. Due to the size of this field, we have a great advantage. This field enables pilots to fly any size aircraft and land in any direction according to the wind.

Lunch was ready at 1:00pm and our chef for the event was Calvin, who did a wonderful job. Many thanks from all of us.

This year we had a 50/50 draw as well as some prizes for our pilots.

The 50/50 draw went to Dieter Rudat. Aurele Alain was the winner of the grand prize, a Park Flier. Other prizes went to Eddie Mon, Art Williamson, Paul Bradbeer, Fred Zufelt, Dave Blackwell, Brian Buchanan, Alan Nixon, Tyler Palmer and myself. Flying continued until after 5:00pm.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank every one for joining us in the first event at the Greenway field. This was a very good start for our upcoming events. Your company made the day most enjoyable. I hope to see you all at our future events.

Shahram Ghorashi  
ORCC Fall/Winter fun fly chairman

## **LOOKING FOR A NEW MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN**

Our memberships have been moving along nicely recently, especially with the nice weather. Please remember that you must join before you fly.

After a long period of thought, I have decided to step down as membership chairman as of the end of March 2011 (yes, that's 2011). I have deliberately given a long lead time to the ORCC executive to give time to transition to a new membership chairman. Ideally, I would like a volunteer to start taking over the membership duties in October 2010 to allow some time for a smooth transition.

Over the years, I have processed over 1000 ORCC memberships and over 850 MAAC memberships. It is a fairly busy job but you can do it mostly on your own time. In 2004, I developed an MS Access application which really helped me minimize the effort required to manage the memberships. Since that time, it has evolved to a fairly sophisticated application. This application will be available to whoever takes over and I am prepared to provide support for it on a best-efforts basis.

### **THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A MAJOR CONTRIBUTION TO THE ORCC!**

Please contact me at [aurele.alain@sympatico.ca](mailto:aurele.alain@sympatico.ca) or at 613-738-8797 to know more.

## **Upcoming Events**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Event</u></b>	<b><u>Contact</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>
Tues, November 02, 2010	Club meeting – 180 Percy Street		08:00 PM
Tues, December 07, 2010	Club meeting – 180 Percy Street		08:00 PM

Our meetings are back in the large auditorium. Plenty of room to bring out your largest model, or maybe to fly your smallest one.

Are you looking for a way to get more involved with the ORCC? How about taking over my job as Topcap Editor? The duties include collecting contributions from various members, some spell checking and minor editing, and organizing them into (hopefully) some kind of aesthetically pleasing format. A few copies are printed out and sent via regular mail, and a PDF version is sent to the web master for inclusion on the website. Basic computer skills are required, and a couple of hours per month.

I've been doing it for a few years now, and would like to give someone else a chance to put their creative talents to work. Please contact me at [editor@ottawarclub.ca](mailto:editor@ottawarclub.ca) for more information.

Looking for a new pilot for your plane? You can find a variety of printout-cut-fold-and-glue figurines on this website. Because they are made of paper they are very lightweight - Ideal for a pilot in your model.

<http://paperkraft.blogspot.com/2008/03/star-wars-r2-d2-papercraft.html>



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**at the Ottawa Train Yards.**

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Just a friendly reminder to support our local hobby shops.  
They're always ready to help the club to support all of our events.  
Your business is appreciated!

### **December Meeting: Tuesday, Dec 7, 2010**

**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 Dec TopCap: Tuesday, Nov 30, 2010**