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**December, 2004**

# **TOPCAP**

## **The Ottawa Remote Control Club Newsletter**

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**This Month's Meeting: Tuesday, December 7, 2004**

Entertainment for this meeting will be:

**Club Election, and, hopefully, not too many recounts.**

### **This Month's Cover**

Rick Paquette has found some illustrations drawn by his father, Don, and sent them in to John Weekes, who forwarded them on to me. Don did his own drawings for the TopCap covers of the day, this one from December, 1980. As you can see, he had much more artistic talent than I do.

I've included a couple more of the covers later on in this issue, and will show some more in the coming months.

Thanks Rick!

### **President's Message by John Weekes**

If you have a question or concern about anything relating to the ORCC, I invite you to contact me directly at [jweekes@ccsa.ca](mailto:jweekes@ccsa.ca), 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

### **Proposed Change to the Club Constitution**

Changes to the club constitution must be proposed at the November meeting, to be voted on at the December meeting. This year, there was only one change proposed, as follows:

#### **Current Statement of Term of Office:**

##### **President**

The term of office is for one year and the President can serve two consecutive terms.

#### **Proposed Statement of Term of Office:**

##### **President**

The term of office is for two years and the President may serve a maximum of two consecutive terms.

## **West End Field by Karel Tettelaar**

The safety fences and tables were all put away for the Winter on Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup> with the help of Mark Josefowich, Ken Park, Dave Rees and Jack Cuss. Many thanks for the help guys.

The Winter snow clearing gear and sand, in the event of ice by the door, are all at the corner of the main door. When you are out during the snow season, please take a minute or two to clear the snow from in front of both the garage and entrance doors and move it well away from the building. I find it is a great way to warm up between flights!

The heat in the lounge area is set at a “low” setting and, if turned up for the flying session, it should be lowered again when leaving.

A couple of reminders for the seasoned Winter flyers and info for new members. All engine starts and runs are to be done outside the building. The garage area is to be used only for setup, and storing aircraft and equipment between flights. If you spill fuel in the garage area either on the floor or on the tables, please clean it up. Wear the snow shoes (which will be placed by the door when the snow arrives) to recover aircraft from the runway area to avoid leaving deep foot holes in the snow. They can ruin a take off or landing very effectively!

## **Thermal Thoughts by Brian Buchanan**

As I look out my window from the warmth and comfort of my home, I am convinced by the inclement weather that the glider flying season is over, at least for me. The weather was less than ideal this past summer, with many Wednesday nights and weekends being either rained out or blown out. That said, all of the contests and events I attended this past season had at least flyable weather and most had great weather. I managed to attend four aero tow events, three thermal duration contests and two giant scale meets and we flew at all of them. It was a great season!

It is now time to start planning our next season of flying. To that end we held a meeting on November 18 when we discussed the past season and made plans for 2005.

We arrived at a 2005 schedule of events as follows:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Contest Director</b>
June 5	Fun Fly	Geoff Ross
June 18, 19	ORCC 2 Day Contest	TBA
July 10	Fun Fly	John Blenkinsop
August 10	Fun Fly	Vince Hendricks
September 10, 11	Ottawa Area Aero-Tow Arnprior RC Field	Gudmund Thompson
September 25	Fun Fly	John Blenkinsop

At the October Club meeting, John Blenkinsop, Dick Mills and I did a presentation on glider flying, to let the power flying club members know about what we do at the sod farm. As a result, we have 2 new gliders being built and a number of other club members expressing an interest in gliders. If you missed the presentation, and have an interest in gliders, why not try to get out to the sod farm sometime next summer and see what is going on. Just contact me or any other glider flyer and we will let you know when the best time to show up is.



I hope you all find something RC related from Santa under your Christmas tree this season. Happy Holidays!

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## **Editor's Note by Mark Josefowich**

As we are now moving into the building time of the season, there are not as many events going on each weekend as there would be during the summer, and therefore no event reports, so I am running out of articles to publish. Thanks to John, Karel, Brian, Rick, and Aurele for their contributions this month. If you have something you would like to include for next month, please send it in. Maybe you are building a new plane, and it doesn't go together as easy as it does in the magazine. What did Santa put under the tree this year? Do you need to clear out some old stuff to make room for new? Send in your list of items for sale.

With the January meeting happening so close to the start of the year, you may not receive your January TopCap in the mail before the meeting. I will try my best, but there are a couple of holidays right around that time, and the possibility of a postal strike. If you read TopCap on the web, you should have it in time, assuming I can get my father's computer upgraded successfully – but that's another story. Anyway, the January meeting is on Tuesday, January 4, 2005, and we hope to have some members from the Ottawa Rocket Club out to talk about their hobby. We saw them at the SMALL event last year, and it was quite interesting and entertaining.

Have a Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year.

## **ORCC Executive Committee**

President	John Weekes	727-0066
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## **Upcoming Dates to Remember**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>2004</b>	
Tuesday, December 7	Club Meeting – Election Night!
Friday, December 24	Only one shopping day left
Saturday, December 25	Christmas Day – Find out if Santa got your letter in time
Monday, December 27	Submission deadline for January TopCap
Wednesday, December 29	ORCC Board Meeting
Friday, December 31	New Year's Eve – 2004 Membership is about to expire
<b>2005</b>	
Saturday, January 1	Happy New Year! – Be the first to fly – Did you renew your membership?
Tuesday, January 4	Club Meeting – Rocket Guys!
Tuesday, February 1	Club Meeting – Auction Night – Bring lots of money
Saturday, February 26	Winter Fun Fly – West End Field
Tuesday, March 1	Club Meeting – Budget
Tuesday, April 5	Club Meeting – Concourse D'Elegance
Tuesday, May 3	Club Meeting
Saturday, June 4	Rideau Flyers Electric Fun Fly
Sunday, June 5	Glider Fun Fly – Sod Farm
Tuesday, June 7	Club Meeting – Last one of the season
Sat/Sun, June 11-12	Hand Launch Gliders (Tentative) – Sod Farm
Sat/Sun, June 18-19	Two Day Thermal Duration – Sod Farm
Saturday, June 25	Doug Pinhey Float Fly
Sunday, July 10	Glider Fun Fly – Sod Farm
Saturday, July 23	SMALL Event – West End Field
Sat/Sun, July 30-31	Glider Fun Fly – Montreal
Sunday, Aug 7	Glider Fun Fly – Sod Farm
Saturday, Aug 20	MATS-ORCC Challenge – Montreal
Sat/Sun, Sept 10-11	Arnprior AeroTow
Saturday, Sept 24	Brown Bag Float Fun Fly
Sunday, Sept 25	Glider Fun Fly – Sod Farm
Saturday, Oct 15	Fall Fun Fly – West End Field

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

### **December Meeting: Tuesday December 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 January TopCap: Monday, December 27<sup>th</sup>, 2004**