



# JUNE 2007 TOPCAP



**The Ottawa Remote Control Club Newsletter**

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**THIS MONTH'S MEETING: TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 2007**

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## **President's Message by Andre Blais**

Looks like summer is here and everyone seems to be enjoying the great flying weather. Along with the great weather we had a few good events that took place. Gerry Pronovost's IMAC event did rather well considering it was the first time an event like this has been held at our new field. There were approximately a dozen entrants. From what I saw and heard, everyone had a good time.

There were a few Glider events but I myself never managed to get out to any of them, but I am sure all went well, as our club has quite a few devoted glider pilots.

I did manage to drop in at Corey's "Spring Fling" Helicopter fun fly. It was early in the day and everyone seemed to be having a great time. I did see a few members who I have never seen out at our new field.

Seeing the turnout at few of the first events of the season, assures me we will have a great season ahead. I am looking forward to being at more of our scheduled events that are planned, and hope to see as many members as possible out at the field this year.

Just a reminder:

Please help to keep our flying season safe. Please follow all safety rules when flying at any of our flying locations. If you are unsure of the regulations and safety rules, please visit our website at <http://www.ottawarcclub.ca/rules.php>

See you at the field.

O.R.C.C. President  
Andre Blais

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!

## **Special Guests at the Drummond Field by Ed King**

On May 9, 2007 the weather was perfect for flying – the winds were light to calm and the temperature was warm. It was also a wonderful night for the Beavers of the 29 Nepean B Colony and their parents to visit the Ottawa Remote Control Club Drummond field. Although it was Wednesday training night, the Chief Instructor, Shahram Ghorashi graciously accepted the challenge of holding the attention of a group of twenty 5 to 7 year old Beavers. He and the other club members present more than succeeded.



After the Beavers did their opening ceremony at 6:30 PM, everyone was briefed on safety and led into the pit area to start the visit. The only anxious moment (for the author) came with some of the Beavers stretching over top of the aircraft being used for explanations in their enthusiasm to get the mosquitoes that also were visiting. Brent Norman and Shahram gave terrific age-appropriate explanations on basic aerodynamics and flight controls. Corey Groves was on hand to provide some insight into helicopter mechanics and then went on to give



captivating flight demos with his big nitro helicopter and later with his electric ducted-fan jet. The questions came not only from the Beavers but also their parents. Interest was expressed in the club and how to get started. Many inquired as to when they could return to spectate. It was truly pleasant to see the number of students out learning to fly and the range of their ages. Their flying filled in the gaps quite nicely with the occasional thrill. All in all it was one of our best outings for the Beavers and the efforts of all involved generated a significant interest in the hobby.





## **LAST MEETING – Foam Float Cutting**

Aurele Alain brought out his hot wire setup, and proceeded to demonstrate how to make a quick set of floats. A little sanding and some finishing are all that's needed to get another plane out on the water.

## **SUMMER VACATION**

This will be the last meeting of the season, now that the evenings are long enough to go flying. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 4, 2007. This will also be the last Topcap until then as well. Have a good summer.

## **GIANT SCALE FUN FLY – Saturday June 9**

Geoff Fry has a great event planned, with several excellent prizes available for the pilots. He will be looking for some volunteers to help out on the day of the event, so please consider coming out for a few hours, even if you don't have a big bird to fly. Contact Geoff if you are available. To raise some extra funds for the event, we are having a raffle for a DA50 engine. Tickets are available now from several executive members for \$10 each, or 3 for \$25. The draw will take place at the Fun Fly.

## **HELICOPTER FUN FLY – Saturday May 26**

A few photos from the fun fly held last weekend at the Drummond Field



## **Come Celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the De Havilland Beaver**

All Float Planes are Welcome  
GIANT SCALE to small, but especially models of the De Havilland  
Beavers of any size.

Join the ORCC for a full day of Float Flying & BBQ

Contest Director: Aurele Alain

Phone: 613-738-8797

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Web Site: [http://www.ottawarcclub.ca/field\\_pond.php](http://www.ottawarcclub.ca/field_pond.php)

### **De Havilland Beaver 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemorative Event**

**Annual Doug Pinhey Float Fly and BBQ**

**Saturday, June 23, 2007, 9:30am**

**Hosted By**

**The Ottawa Remote Control Club**

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## **Upcoming Dates to Remember**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>2007</b>		
Sunday, June 3	Interclub Glider Series Round 1– G2VM	
Tuesday, June 5	Club Meeting	
Saturday, June 9	Giant Scale Fun Fly – Drummond Field	Geoff Fry
Sat & Sun, June 16 & 17	Thermal Duration – ORCC Glider Field Interclub Glider Series Rounds 2 and 3	John Blenkinsop / Vince Hendricks
Saturday, June 23	Doug Pinhey Float Fly	
Saturday, June 30	Interclub Glider Series Round 4 – MATS	
Sunday, July 22	Warbird Event – Drummond Field	Mike Toner
Sat & Sun, July 28 & 29	Interclub Glider Series Rounds 5 & 6 - MATS	
Saturday, August 25	Electric Fun Fly – Drummond Field	John Weekes / Mike Toner
Tuesday, August 28	Executive Meeting	
Tuesday, Sept 4	Club Meeting	
Sat & Sun, Sept 8 & 9	Arnprior Aerotow – Arnprior Field	
Sunday, Sept 16	Glider Fun Fly – ORCC Glider Field Interclub Glider Series Round 7	Dick Mills
Saturday, Sept 29	Brown Bag Float Fly – ORCC Float Pond	Aurele Alain
Tuesday, Oct 2	Club Meeting	
Saturday, Oct 13	Fall Fun Fly – Drummond Field	John Weekes / Shahram Ghorashi
Tuesday, Nov 6	Club Meeting	
Tuesday, Dec 4	Club Meeting	

## **Attention Glider Pilots!**

Join the ORCC Glider distribution list

To learn more about the orcc-g group, please visit  
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/orcc-g>



## **MEMBERSHIP TOTALS – As of May 23**

Member Type	Count
Junior	5
Life	9
Open	66
Permanent	4
Senior	29
<b>Total:</b>	<b>113</b>

## **ORCC Executive Committee**

President	Andre Blais	613-822-9314
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Float	Aurele Alain	613-738-8797
Electric / Indoor	Paul Penna	613-731-5627
Giant Scale	Geoff Fry	613-599-5721
Yachting	Jim Zufelt	613-733-1210
Chief Flying Instructor, Power	Shahram Ghorashi	613-843-0061
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## **Interested in Float Flying?**

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You will be automatically added to the distribution list.

To send an e-mail to the group send to:

[ORCC-FloatFlyers@yahoogroups.com](mailto:ORCC-FloatFlyers@yahoogroups.com).

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

### **September Meeting: Tuesday Sept 4, 2007**

**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

Submissions for the TopCap Newsletter can be sent to:

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**Closing Date for the Sept TopCap: Tuesday, August 28, 2007**