

# **CORNWALL AERO MODELLERS**

## **'Newsletter'**

Monthly Bulletin

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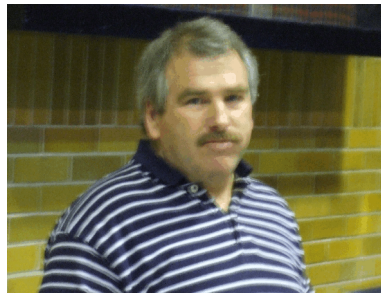
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### Upcoming Meeting

**Monday**  
**December 14, 2009**  
**@7:30 p.m.**

**The Royal Canadian**  
**Legion Basement**

### *Karl Kingston*



### **Minutes of Previous Meeting :**

The President, Karl opened the meeting at 7:30. There were 16 members present with no guests.

### 1-Financial Report:

**Doug gave the Treasurer's report:**  
**Income**

**No Income**

### Expenses

**No Expenses**

The Club will begin to collect the Annual Club Dues of \$50.00 as of now.

Two MAAC Caps had been ordered and have been sold to Club members for \$20.34. each.

### **2-Old Business**

#### 2.1 Indoor Flying

Cliff stated that a formal letter and proof of Insurance coverage needs to be obtained and delivered to a Captain Eamer who is in charge of the Armory rental.

#### 2.2 Lawn Mowers

The two lawnmowers were picked up and stored for the Winter here in Cornwall. Stephane Claude and Richard Besner were responsible for moving and storing same.

#### 2.3 Snow Blower:

The snow blower is now operational and ready for service. Karl had picked up this Snow Blower from Ray Savard last year and overhauled it for the Club's use.

## 2.4 Storage Container:

Gary Kennedy investigated the pricing of a storage container:

A 20 foot long container (Class A), which means that it looks good, does not leak etc. sells for \$2200.00 plus \$400.00 delivery charge.

A 20 foot long (Class B) which means it could have surface rust and dented, sells for \$2000.00 plus delivery.

A 20 foot long (Class C) which means it could leak and the door may be hard to lock and looks junky and sells for \$1800.00 plus delivery.

This will be kept under consideration as for the time being as funds are too low to permit this venture.

## 2.5 Christmas Dinner:

The Annual Club Christmas Dinner will be held at:

Jack Lee's Restaurant

@ 128 Pitt Street

on Saturday December 12<sup>th</sup>. 2009

at 6:00 p.m.

Price of the Buffet is \$8.50 each.

Members are asked to call Roger and confirm that they are going so that an accurate tally can be made for reservations.

Send your confirmation to:

[belanger.roger@sympatico.ca](mailto:belanger.roger@sympatico.ca)

## 3.0 New Business:

### 3.1-Annual Zone Meeting:

The AZM was held on October 25<sup>th</sup> at the National Aviation Museum in Ottawa.

Three seminars were held in the morning:

1) How to get your spouse to buy you an air plane by Tina Melbourne.

2) Aerobatic flight training school update by Brian Cheadle.

3) Proper field set up by Dave Asquini and Claude Melbourne.

### 3.2 November Chili Fly:

The November Chili Fly will be held on November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009 and will be catered by Richard Besner

### 3.3 Air Cadet Program:

Karl Kingston will meet with the Commanding Officer of the Air Cadets to better define the Program to be undertaken jointly with our club.

As a first step in the training of Air Cadets, the Club authorized the purchase of two copies of Real Flight Basic Simulator at a cost of approximately \$105.99 plus taxes.

Motion made by Cliff Merpaw to proceed with the purchase of two Flight Simulators. Seconded by Marc Gagnon. CARRIED.

Marc Gagnon is to proceed with the purchase and offered to provide the Computers to operate the Simulators to the Club free of charge.

### 3.4-MAAC Wings Program:

The Club Wings Program graduated 4 pilots this year.

This year's Wings Award winners are:

Terry Cooper  
John Curran  
Richard Besner  
Stephane Claude

### 4-Executive Committee for 2010:

Committee members elected are:

President	Karl Kingston
Vice President	Cliff Merpaw
Treasurer	Richard Besner
Secretary	Roger Belanger

The five other Club Executive appointments such as Club Field Manager, Club Field Safety Manager and Club Flight Instructors will be made at the next monthly meeting

### 5-Adjournment:

A motion for adjournment was made by Stephane Claude at 8:50.

### This and That:

This was a pretty good meeting with good input and information that will keep us informed on what's going on at MAAC and within our own Club. Karl gave a pretty good report on the Annual Zone meeting for those of us who could not attend. Thank you Karl.

### New Executive:

I am sure all our members know that we have lost two very good and hard working past Executive members in Dean Sturkenboom as our Vice President and Doug Geisel as our Secretary/Treasurer. Both of these men did a fantastic job at what they did and are to be congratulated for a job well done. I hope their replacements can do as good a job as they have Thanks to both of these great guys for a job well done. Stay active Doug and Dean as the Club really needs you both as well as your services to the Club. The Club will always welcome your input.

### Marc Gagnon:

How about new member Marc volunteering to help get the Club the Video Monitors, so that the Club can pursue the Flying program with the Air Cadets.

That is the way to get involved in the Club activities and to make a good impression on the rest of us. Keep up the good work Marc.

### Wings Program Grads:

It was great to see those 4 new members receive their Wings at the meeting. I guess it shows that the Wings program and the Club Instruction is certainly doing its job. If it was possible to graduate 4 or more new Pilots each year than we would be able to maintain a viable Club membership which in turn helps support the Club activities and assist the Club financially. A year ago the membership stood at 21 members but the membership now stands at 32 or more.

Please note that the population of Cornwall and surrounding area sits at 50,000 people, therefore the Cornwall Aero Modellers has the potential for membership of 50 to 100 members. Something to think about?

### Member Profile:

It is obvious that some of our new members are just names to us until we get to know them better. I asked for and received a bit of background info on our new Executive members and here it is:

#### Roger Belanger:

- is the recently elected Club Secretary
- Roger is 64 years old.
- He is happily married with two daughters

- and two spoiled grand kids.
- He works as a Consulting Engineer in the Communications field.
- He has been involved in the Hobby for the past 2 years.
- His hobby is running a small time Organic grass fed beef farm.

#### Richard Besner:

- is the recently elected Club Treasurer.
- Richard is 51 years old.
- He is happily married to wife Joyce and has two children and four grand children.
- He is the Project Manager of the West End Storage Company and has been with them for the past 25 years as the General Operations Manager.
- He has been involved in the Hobby starting out in 1982 by trying to learn by himself but after wrecking his first three planes he gave up until he started flying again in 2006 and has received his wings in 2009.
- His hobbies are Flying and Hockey.

#### Cliff Merpaw:

- is the recently elected Club Vice President.
- He is 75 years old but looks young for his age.
- He is happily married to wife Jacquie and has four children and three grand children and three great grand children.

**-He is retired but is deeply involved in the Legion as the Poppy Chairman and is on the Board of the OSGA (Ontario Senior Games Association) as a Director.**

**-He has been involved in the Hobby since 1961 and has served on every position on the Executive since the Club was formed being the only remaining Charter member.**

**-He is an avid camper and spends most of the Summer at Lake View Campsite in Ingleside.**

### **Karl Kingston:**

**I do not have any info on Karl but we do have his picture. More info will be forthcoming in a later newsletter.**

### **Next Meeting:**

**The next meeting will be held at the Legion next December 14, 2009 @ 7:30 pm. See you there! Cliff.**

### **Last Minute Additions;**

**Marc Gagnon has been doing his homework and has come with equipment that will permit the Club to start the flight training program as was outlined at the meeting. Good effort Marc!**

**As you are now probably aware Roger has obtained the Armories for Sunday night flying all Winter long. These dates are :**

**1) Sunday December 6, 2009**

**2) Sunday January 17, 2010**

**3) Sunday February 14, 2010**

**4) Sunday March 14, 2010**

**5) Sunday April 18, 2010**

**There are also 4 other dates that could be made available to us if a reason pops up that we might want to use the facilities. They will be offered to us first.**

**Everything so far has been going very well for the Club with very few snags or problems.**

**I feel sorry for J.C. Seguin and Robert Mondoux for missing all this good stuff just because they had to go to Florida for nothing but Sun and Flying. So sad boys. We will see you in the Spring. J.C. show those fliers in Port Charlotte how we fly up here in Canada. I sure hope they don't honk, honk, honk at your landings.**

**See you on Monday December 14, 2009 @ 7:30 p.m. Cliff**

