



NipmacYak

NEXT MEETING

Date

Feb. 23th

Time

6:30pm

Location

Parish Hall of St Peters the
Apostle Roman Catholic
church

OBJECTIVES OF THE CLUB

- (a) To promote friendship and good feelings among the members;
- (b) To foster a spirit of group interest and co-operation among the members;
- (c) To provide encouragement and offer advice to the novice in the building and flying of his miniature aircraft;
- (d) To support the Constitution, preserve the ideals and extend the principles of this Club;
- (e) To promote safety in the sport.

NIPMAC 2021 Executive

President:	Foley Soroye
Vice-President:	Peter Merkel
Treasurer:	Jerzy Bak
Secretary:	Rick Nay
Field Managers:	Roger La Berge & Lloyd Argo
Webmaster:	Eric Rivest
Newsletter Editor:	Robert Zentai
Chief Flying Instructor:	Peter Merkel

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UPCOMING EVENTS

President Message

Happy new year, 2022. Trusting you all had great holidays and special time with families.

The annual club meeting and last meeting of the 2021 went well on November 24th. In spite of low turnout, we managed to carry out important and necessary business to keep the club operational. A big thanks to all attendees.

Most of the former club's officers are continuing. We had the pleasure of a new Vice President (VP) - Peter Merkel. Thanks to Rod Hillman for his service as VP over the past year. Rod has graciously agreed to continue as coordinator/organizer of the Float fly events.

The annual club awards item was postponed to future meeting (Wed. February 23rd hopefully). This is to ensure that more members are in attendance to vote and congratulate the well deserving recipients.

Our new Zone Director – Redge Turgeon provided details of new regulations from MAAC as per interaction with Transport Canada. It'll take some time to digest, sort out and apply these "new" regulations. Compliance with these regulations is important for MAAC members in order to continue with exemption of more severe regulations from Transport Canada. My goal is to work cooperatively with NIPMAC members to ensure compliance. At a later date, Peter M. would provide further explanations and clarifications on these regulations.

It's had to believe; the year end and festive season are over. Unfortunately, we are going through another winter dealing with Covid-19 pandemic with related health and safety concerns. Ongoing restrictions include, no indoor flying, wearing of mask indoor, capacity limits, closing of some indoor establishments, etc. Introduction of vaccination program is providing protection and improvements from last winter. Due to the Omicron variant, new restrictions are implemented from January 5th to 26th with limit indoor gathering to 5 persons.

The January 26th is cancelled. This is to ensure that the pandemic situation is adequately improved. Also to make sure that more members are able to attend the meeting.

On a bright note, we could benefit and improve on how and what we did last winter. By making the best of this challenging time. As for me, I plan to spend more time on outdoor activities, including flying outdoor.

My liquid powered aircrafts are nicely put away for the winter. It's now the season for flying battery powered airplanes.

Things went relatively well last year. I'm very hopeful that we'll pull through and we'll be alright.

Please, note that both the NIPMAC and MAAC 2022 dues are due on January 1st. To continuing your enjoyment of club's benefits, it's greatly appreciated that you pay the 2022 dues as soon as possible.

Wishing you and yours the very best of 2022.

Foley (Foluso) Soroye

President, NIPMAC

Vice-President Message

Model aviation in Canada was never under more Federal scrutiny than it was in the past few years and will, in all probability, continue to be in the future. It is only because of the tireless work by the MAAC leadership that we still enjoy the freedom to fly our models with relatively few restrictions and oversight.

In order to safeguard our hobby, it is the responsibility of MAAC members to review, thoroughly understand and abide by all MAAC rules and strive to follow all recommendations, guidelines and best practices. To that end, during the following few months, we will dedicate a small portion of our monthly meetings (10-15 mins) to review and discuss MAAC's relationship with Transport Canada, MAAC's Transport Canada CARs Part IX exemption and MAAC rules, regulations, recommendations and best practices. As well, we will review our own and specific NIPMAC flying and operating rules.

As I write this, we are under Provincial Covid maximum indoor gathering restrictions. However, when we are again able to resume monthly meetings, I will begin this series of briefings and discussions by providing an overview of MAAC's exemption from Transport Canada CARs Part IX.

The consequences of not knowing, understanding, or following the rules of our hobby will have a detrimental effect on the very future of our hobby; ignorance is not an excuse.

Peter

15/01/2022

NIPMAC Business Meeting
Held at 299 Airport Road, North Bay
On
24 November 2021 at 6:45 PM

Members Present

Lloyd Argo	Jerzy Bak	Mel Colvin
Bill Daman	Robert Zentai	Roger La Berge
Peter Merkel	Rick Nay	Elton Palmer
Gord Trip	Peter Van Schaayk	Foley Soroye
	Redge Turgeon	

Preamble

- At 6:45 PM, Foley called the meeting to order.
- Move by Peter and seconded by Mel to adapt the minutes of September's meeting as posted in the newsletter.
- There was no new members or visitors to introduce.
- The President asked the membership what the number of members is needed for a quorum. After careful checking of the constitution, the number of members is 5 with one of the executive present. The president stated that we could continue with the voting on the new executive.

Reports From Committees

- Field Managers
 - Roger and Lloyd thanked all the grass cutting crew for their work this year.
 - They also thanked Mel for all his work on the mowers this year.
- Treasurer
 - Jerzy reported that the club has 39 paid up members.
 - He also stated that NIPMAC membership dues are payable tonight. They can also be paid by snail mail or e mail. MAAC dues are to be paid by 1 January.
 - Review of the books will be done by Gord and Peter V.
- Training - Nil

Old Business - Nil**New Business Nil**

General Information

- The President asked the Secretary if another column could be placed in the Address List to track the status of MAAC and NIPMAC paid up membership. The Secretary reported that there is no more room to add columns on the list. After a short discussion, it was decided to delete the Wife's Name column and place the new info there. The status of MAAC membership can be obtained on the web site and NIPMAC's can be obtained through the treasurer.
- Roger reported that some of the newsletters that he mails are being returned by Canada Post as too heavy. It was suggested that Rob print out the mailed copies on both sides. In addition, we could try to keep contents to 5 pages max.
- Peter M suggested that the awards presentations, scheduled for tonight be moved to next meeting in hopes of a larger turnout. Carried.
- Peter M reported for a MAAC member to fly in the USA, an AMA membership is required. As well, for an AMA member to fly in Canada a special MAAC membership is required.
- Reg, our Zone F Zone Director gave a very informative briefing on some of the rules that are being put upon MAAC by Industry Canada. For the most part the club is already following these new rules. Peter M volunteer to create a document and give a briefing at the next meeting.
- **50/50 Winner**
 - Congratulations Rick with a sum of \$12.50

There being no further business, it was moved by Redge to Adjourn and continue with the elections.

All members currently in the executive volunteered to stand for the position for another year, except for the Vice President. Carried by majority of members present. Peter Merkel volunteered to stand for the Vice President position.

President – Foley

Vice President – Peter M.

Treasurer – Jerzy Secretary – Rick

Rob – agreed to continue running the Newsletter

Roger and Lloyd - agreed to continue running Field Maintenance.

Our next meeting will be on the 26 January at the Parish Hall of St Peters the Apostle Roman Catholic church at 299 Airport Road, North Bay at 6:30 PM.

Frozen Finger Fun Fly

2nd Annual Frozen Finger Fun Fly event went very well on Saturday, January 8th 2022

The true northern winter weather was in place. Freezing cold and windy.

Several members braved the biting cold temperature and showed up, to socialize and fly.

The Frozen Fingers Pilots are Gord, Robert, Peter V and yours truly. Cameron was in attendance for camera duties.

Extra hand warmers were available and hot coffee for Tim Hortons help to keep our tummy warm.

As far as the winter flying is concern, a great time was had be all.

Thanks to all the attendees.



Frozen Finger Fun Fly (cont.)



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Pictures around the field

