



**NEXT MEETING**

**Date**

November 25th

**Time**

7:30pm

**Location**

Beef 'n' Brand, Bar and Grill  
260 Pinewood Park Dr., North Bay

**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 2020 Executive**

President:	Foley Soroye
Vice-President:	Rod Hillman
Treasurer:	Jerzy Bak
Secretary:	William Dayman
Field Managers:	Roger La Berge & Lloyd Argo
Webmaster:	Eric Rivest
Newsletter Editor:	Robert Zentai
Chief Flying Instructor:	Foley Soroye

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Frozen Finger Fun Fly	January 2/2021
NIPMAC Fun Fly & Zone Fun Fly	August 14/2021
(Rain Date)	August 15/2021

Club Meetings	January 27/2021
	March 24/2021
	May 26/2021

## **President Message**

A quick look back into activities at NIPMAC this interesting year. The spring field opening happened about a week later than expected, because of lockdown due Covid-19 pandemic. Following the Public Health requirements, small group of members carried out spring set-up, clean-up and opened field for flying. As best as we could, the club kept the flying field open from spring and throughout the summer. Excellent work by the Field Managers and several helpers. We had regular monthly meetings (at the field), we had monthly glider events and “resurrected” the float fly events. Managed to pull off a relatively low key annual fun fly (perhaps the only club in the Northern Zone to hold fun fly this summer). All these activities and events makes for active, healthy and well accomplished club. The attendance, participation and constructive comments from the members make the club and this flying season successful.

With the end of summer and since start of restrictions due to Covid-19, we had our October meeting indoor at the Beef ‘n’ Brand Bar and Grill restaurant. The club is grateful to Emmanuel Katsiapis for making this happened.

The next meeting on Wed. Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> is the annual meeting. One of the major items at this meeting is the Election of Officers to run the club in 2021. I encourage all members to strive and attend this meeting. This is your change to have a say in the decision and selection of next Executive members.

The reality is that no indoor flying this winter. One way to look at this, is an opportunity to get out and do more winter flying. On a personal note. My liquid powered planes (nitro and gasoline) will be put on semi-retired phase until spring. I plan to get a couple of planes for flying through the winter. For the comfort of quick get into air winter flying, I’ll focus on lipo powered planes. I do have an insulated cover for my transmitter, to keep my fingers relatively warm for flying in cold temperature. I look forward to continuing to spend time outdoor, with appropriate footwear, warm clothes and enjoying nice crisp clean air.

As the President this year, I’m grateful for all the support, trust and word of encouragements received from members. I’m pleased that the club is in good financial situation, continue to function and operate to meet the fundamental objectives of the club. I’m delighted with the attendance of members at club’s events. In addition, it’s great to see several members getting into gasoline powered giant size planes. This is definitely sign of active, committed, growing and progressive club.

The fall season is here and is time to start preparation to winterize our summer flying planes, electronics and batteries.

New reality, Covid-19 virus is here to stay. That means, WE all have to learn to survive and live with it.

Enjoy the outdoors and safe flying.

*Foley (Foluso) Soroye*  
President, NIPMAC  
<http://nipmac.ca>

### **Important Dates**

- Election of Officers for 2021 during meeting on Nov.25<sup>th</sup>
- Must pay your 2021 NIPMAC due to participate in the election process
- Starting on January 1<sup>st</sup>, must pay 2021 NIPMAC and MAAC dues to use any NIPMAC's facilities

### **Meeting Minutes**

Meeting was called to order at 7:40pm with 15 members in attendance.

Foley and attendees all gave a big thanks to Emmanuel for the offer of space at his establishment allowing NIPMAC to continue our meetings. Hand sanitizers were placed on each table to ensure we all followed the COVID-19 regulations. With the Jerzy absent from the meeting Foley collected 2021 NIPMAC dues from membership. It was asked if we had any guest attendees, Lloyd was our guest as not a snowbird this upcoming winter season. Welcome back to winter Lloyd, your first in 20yrs. Maybe Santa can bring you some winter gear this year.

#### **FIELD REPORT**

- Budget for 2020 was good
- Big thanks to all who helped throughout the year to keep the field in great shape
- Outhouses have been pumped out and are now winterized for upcoming season

#### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

- Club Finances are in good shaper
- 38 paid members
- Now collecting dues for 2021 and this can be done thru e-transfer, cash or cheque

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Confirmed that we completed our application for Director's and Officer (D&O) insurance for a total of \$141.25 (\$125 plus HST)
- No indoor flying or church hall due to COVID-19
- Continue to use the field for winter flying as always open
- It was agreed that will change meeting frequency to January, March and May
- Roger will chair the November meetings election process

### **Meeting inutes (cont.)**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Motion was put forward to recognize Mel for all the hard work and his time/parts to ensure the field equipment stayed in tip top shape. For this hard work NIPMAC will cover his due costs for the 2021 flying year. Great job Mel
- We have put forward to host the 2021 Zone fun fly. Date will be on August 14<sup>th</sup> and rain date of August 15<sup>th</sup>. This has been accepted by MAAC
- Reminder that if you wish to vote or place your name into the upcoming November elections that your NIPMAC dues are paid up
- Roger will run the show so if want to be part of the executive club don't be shy to put your name into the hat at the meeting. This is our club so all let's help out
- We will purchase couple loads of topsoil to even out the field in spots. Was discussed when would be the best time to have this work party. Was agreed we would try for September of 2021
- It was also discussed on a better date to roll the field to make the best effort to flatten the field after winter, no time was agreed at this meeting
- It was suggested to have a Frozen Finger Fun Fly at the beginning of the year to start the new off with a bang. Agreed that we would have it on the first weekend of January 2021
- Cameron passed his Advanced Drone Flying certificate

### **TRAINING TIP CORNER**

#### **LIPO STORAGE**

- Ensure you place all your Lipo batteries into STORAGE so they are at a safe voltage if not to be used over the winter months
- Store these batteries in a safe location and container so that if they do catch on fire that no damage is done to your residence

### **EDITORS RANT**

Members,

Well this has been one crazy year and its not done yet. Pretty sure looking like 2021 will start off just as crazy. Let's all be safe whether at the field or out in city. Don't let winter put you down, like mentioned earlier the field is open to still fly from. All you need to do is walk in from the trail parking lot to the runway. It's great that the road and parking lot is plowed not only for us but for trail walkers. I fly during the winter and I create a stomped down pathway from the gate so makes life easier getting stuff in. If you have a good-sized toboggan ever better than back packing stuff. I hope to see more and newer winter flying members this season. Without the gym this is the best thing to keep those fingers in action.