



Nipmac Yak

NEXT CLUB MEETING

Date

February 26th

Time

6:30pm

Location

Parish Hall of St Peters the
Apostle Roman Catholic
church

(Meeting rescheduled as
Bishop is visiting the church)

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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 2025 Executive

President:	Gord Tripe
Vice-President:	Emanuel Katsiapis
Treasurer:	Paul Martin
Secretary:	Robert Zentai
Field Manager:	Roger La Berge
Webmaster:	Eric Rivest
Newsletter Editor:	Robert Zentai
Chief Flying Instructor:	Peter Merkel
Social & Entertainment	Emanuel Katsiapis

NIPMAC dues

Open Member (Paid before January 1st) \$95.00
Open Member (Paid after January 1st) \$115.00

UPCOMING EVENTS

Indoor flying

January 31
February 07
February 14
February 21
February 28

President's Message

The New Year is upon us, and the club kicked it off with a very successful Frozen Finger Fun Fly on the 1st - over 20 (I know others have an exact count!) members and their partners were there! The field continues to be available during the winter months, and indoor flying at West Ferris Secondary School has resumed. Some of us prefer to build and/or repair models at this time of year rather than fly - it's all a part of the hobby. Finally, I spotted this in a Gentle Lady glider kit from 1980. Written by Dave Brown (a distinguished American builder/pilot) these "commandments" still apply today.

Gord

I have written what I consider to be a good "ten commandments" for the self-taught R/C pilot, and you should read and heed them:

- 1) Thou shalt get help if at all possible.
- 2) Thou shalt fly only a trainer type airplane, preferably a motorglider.
- 3) Thou shalt fly only when it is calm.
- 4) Thou shalt fly only in a very large open area with its owner's permission.
- 5) Thou shalt not fly to impress friends.
- 6) Thou shalt proceed slowly and with caution.
- 7) Thou shalt not panic, let the airplane fly itself out of trouble.
- 8) Thou shalt steer the model carefully and delicately, using only rudder at first.
- 9) Thou shalt check thy equipment frequently and charge batteries faithfully.
- 10) Thou shalt be patient, lest thee bust thy toy!

NIPMAC General Meeting

Held at Parish Hall of St Peters the Apostle Roman Catholic church
On
at 6:30 PM

Members Present

Jerzy Bak	Jan Blom	Brian Bonnel
Rod Hilman	John Groom	Edwin Imfeld
Emmanuel Katsiapis	Roger La Berge	Paul Martin
Daniel Massana	Andrew Merkel	Rick Nay
Eric Rivest	Cameron Sanders	Kevin Skerit
Foley Soroye	Justin Stoyanovski	Gordon Tripe
Redge Turgeon	Perter VanSchaayk	Robert Zentai

Preamble

- Gord opened the meeting at 6:33 PM
- Moved by Roger seconded by Redge to adopt the minutes as posted in the newsletter.

Reports From Executive

President

- We will finish off the final few things for the field closing by covering the tables
- Ed mentioned to try and keep the snow off the tarp, he will make a stick to allow for easy removal of the snow
- We will be using the club's propane tank for heater use
- Kevin asked if we had a barrel that can be used for fire burning, permit is still valid
- Gord will purchase a fire pit to be used by the club

Vice President

- Nothing new to report

Treasurer

- Accepting dues for the upcoming flying year
- Reminder that dues paid before January 1st \$95.00 and after will be \$115.00
- We have 29 paid members for 2025
- Purchased Tim Horton cards for the custodians at the gym

NIPMAC General Meeting (cont.)

Secretary

- Nothing new to report.

Field Manager

- Field is prepared for winter flying and all is good

Webmaster

- Nothing new to report.

Social & Entertainment

- Nothing new to report

Old Business

- Nothing to report.

New Business

- Gord mentioned that Canadore contacted NIPMAC to see if possible, to use our field for their drone program
- We will get the paperwork and review
- Mentioned to the college that people will need to have MAAC & NIPMAC to be insured properly
- When they are flying the field will be closed to other members
- Constitution Changes
 - Discussed to change the quorum size
 - 30% as members should be part of meetings
 - 25% be a better as fewer members attending meetings
 - 30% to be final value
 - Will remove voting on new members – carried
 - Newsletter
 - Was asked that we place our financial reports in the newsletter
 - It was discussed that this is not wise as if newsletter becomes public this information would be released to the general public
 - This motion not carried and be discussed in more depth
 - Further to members wanting to know our financial status Ed brought up that at his previous club he brought in a small report to meetings to allow members see the status
 - Gord brought up maybe we should consider doing proxies to allow members to vote if they cannot attend meeting
- It was decided to revisit the issues of financial reporting in the newsletter, and proxy voting, during the January meeting

NIPMAC General Meeting (cont.)

Elections for 2025 Executive ran by Roger

Current Executive

President:	Gord Tripe – will seek re-election - carried
Vice-President:	Emanuel Katsiapis – will seek re-election - carried
Treasurer:	Jerzy Bak – won't seek re-election - Paul Martin accepted
Secretary:	Robert Zentai – will seek re-election - carried

Field Manager:	Roger La Berge
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Paul Martin asked we have books audited before he takes over – John and Peter V will go over books

Our yearly awards go to the following great/hard working members

Ralph Bolisky Award – Foley Soroye
Phil Tripe Memorial Award – Edwin Imfeld

On closing we all would like to give Jerzy a big thanks for all the years serving the club as Treasurer and keeping the club books in great order allowing us to purchase items when they are needed and setting us straight on things we would like to purchase but shouldn't at that time. Thanks again Jerzy and we know you will continue to help out the club if called upon.

Meeting adjourned by: Cameron

Seconded by : Foley

Our next meeting will be at the church at 6:30 PM on the January 29/2025

Awards

Ralph Bolisky Award



Phil Tripe Memorial Award

