



By the time most members are reading this edition of the club news, the Heydenshore Show and Sale event will have come and gone for another year and our thoughts will be turning well and truly to a new flying season. I hope everybody has been successful with their construction efforts and will be ready to go when we start getting some good weather.



Beautiful P-51 on display at Heydenshore – event article below

## **Tidbits from the February 15<sup>th</sup> meeting**

There were 21 members in attendance at the meeting. A lively discussion was held that pertained to the pylon racing activities that some members enjoy. There are apparently 14 racers who have indicated their intention to duke it out in the skies over our field. A series of build sessions have been slated at Don Cavanaugh's house to construct some new airframes to accommodate the "wear and Tear" that some planes have accumulated and to hopefully incorporate some upgrades for the new .25 size power plants.

Show and tell was highlighted by Dave Parton and his new KMP Hawker Typhoon. It has a 40 cc gasser and is a beauty.

Don Mitchell reports good progress on his 1/5 scale Bristol M1 and has started to draw up plans for a scale Bristol Lucifer 3 cylinder radial. It will use some bits and pieces from an OS 200 and is quite an undertaking. Don is also seeking a cheap plane that is large enough to serve as a test bed

for his last home built engine that weighs about 6 ½ pounds. If any member has something that might do, Please call Don and let him know.

Our Treasurer reports that 21 members have paid their dues for 2009. The minutes of the meeting will reflect the current state of the treasury.

John Alford again reminded all in attendance about safety. He reports having attended a recent meeting of the Oshawa club and a member there had lost a finger or part thereof to a spinning propeller. This remains the single most hazardous part of the hobby. Be attentive Be Safe PLEASE.

Neil Benjamin delivered part one of a two part seminar on proper soldering techniques. It was informative and appreciated by those in attendance.

Heydenshore was discussed and a sign up sheet was circulated to permit volunteers to register their intention to help on March 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **LOST BUDDY BOX**

Nearly four years ago the club purchased six "Buddy Boxes" plus a variety of connector cords for use by the club instructors to teach new students how to fly. This was a considerable investment. Unfortunately some of the Buddy Boxes and cords cannot be found. Accordingly, all members are requested to look through their shop to see if they have a lost buddy box and if so, to please return it to the Assistant Chief Flying Instructor, Dave Parton as soon as possible. Remember, these items are not for member's personal use but rather club owned equipment by which we teach new fliers. Dave can be reached at (905) 430-0913.

Not much more to say except, the next meeting will be March 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at the usual location. Why don't you try to make it? There is good camaraderie and coffee.

## **Heydenshore Sale - March 1 2009 – By Don Cavanaugh**

The Heydenshore sale was a real bell ringer this year - thanks in large part to the tireless efforts of Marlene Coulby and her fine sons Andrew & Trevor with their friend Benji McEvoy. Marlene is the perennial force behind Heydenshore and it's difficult to imagine how we'd ever manage without her - she is the heart of Heydenshore - so, a tip of the hat and a big thanks to Marlene Coulby. On top of that - Ted Curl not only served as our Master of ceremonies during the proceedings, but before the event, also conducted an "on-air" radio interview with Terry Johnson at CKDO radio, and he also made all the arrangements for a Rogers Television interview which aired on Channel 9 the previous Friday, 27 February. Ted conducted the Heydenshore proceedings with his customary élan which fosters a convivial and relaxed atmosphere. He was pressed into extra

duty this year with extra draws for door prizes donated by "Flying Stuff Hobbies" and an unscheduled auction of an electric "Warthog" ARF kit donated by Pinnacle Hobbies. I might add that the auction injected some real excitement into the show as it was handled by Ted in a most entertaining manner -- so he also gets a tip of the hat and the sincere gratitude of the club.

All of the tables sold out this year plus one more who turned up at the last minute and had to be "overflowed" onto the stage. Marlene has the marketing routine down pat. Now courtesy of Howard Smith, our Club Treasurer - is the bottom line for those of us who are mercenary in nature:-

Receipts:--

- Admission:-- \$724.00 ( we figured we had about 187 paid attendees but after noon we started to let customers in for reduced prices - 2 for 1 etc-- so it's virtually impossible for Howard to come out "even").

-Raffle Tickets – \$208.00 (again tickets were \$5.00 each but some guys would pay with three toonies and it's impossible For Howard to come out with an even multiple of \$5.00)

-Pinnacle Auction – \$65.00 (a bonus from Pinnacle as noted elsewhere)

-Concession - \$130.60

-Tables Sold - \$640.00

-Total Receipts \$1767.60

Expenses:-

- Hall Rental \$648.00

- Prizes \$90.00

Total Expenses \$738.00

**Heydenshore Profit = \$1767.6 - \$738.00 = \$ 1029.60** GREAT!!

On top of that Howard signed up 6 new members ( - including 2 affiliate) for a total income of \$550.00 so we had a very successful day indeed!!



As Indicated above, attendance was well up from last year with 187 paid customers turning up (vs 145 last year). It's difficult to say why that is but the club pulled out all the stops this year in terms of publicizing the event by displaying advertising posters at all the local hobby shops, public venues, churches etc., announcements placed in the local papers; the Rogers TV interview and Ted Curl's radio interview on CKDO mentioned above. All of the major vendors found their merchandise sold well and they all expressed a desire to return next year.

Among the commercial vendors, Kelly Curl - proprietor of "Flying Stuff Hobbies" was there with his fine array of electric models and supplies. Kelly entertained all in attendance with his flight demonstrations with an electric helicopter. Kelly had some great buys including a complete indoor RTF model complete with Xmitter for only \$160. Kelly Curl has always been very supportive of the Whitby Aeromodellers and proved it again this year by donating a flying hat & a pullover jacket flying jacket - both of which were subsequently awarded as door prizes. Kelly also sent his associate Jason Huckaluk to participate with Don Cavanaugh in the Rogers TV on-air interview where Jason flew his indoor model right there in the studio, - it was a real eye-grabber!!.- Thanks Jason!! It's worth noting that Kelly is the only hobby shop owner who is also a club member and for this and many other reasons, deserves the member's support. Kelly's shop "Flying Stuff Hobbies" is at 717 Finley St in Ajax - telno (905) 619-3768.

Pinnacle Hobbies have for years been arguably our most prominent commercial vendor and not enough good things can be said to describe their presence again this year. They had their usual array of merchandise at great prices, accompanied by plenty of free advice and recommendations to their customers. On top of that Pinnacle donated two fine electric ARF kits to the sale The first one, a "Happy Boy" electric indoor/outdoor arf kit was added as a prize in the raffle which undoubtedly increased the sale of raffle tickets; and the other was an ARF kit of a "Warthog", complete with twin ducted fans et al. It was such an attractive kit that it was decided to have Ted

auction it off during the sale So a big thanks to Pinnacle Hobbies again this year for their continuing support and their exceptional generosity- Be sure to visit Ron or Dave at 5970 16<sup>th</sup> ave in Markham, telno (905) 471-9634

Anson Poon , proprietor of Matrixolution Hobbies was back again this year with two tables and an array of electric supplies , used engines and several used aircraft which all sold except one. Check his website at [www.matrixolution.com](http://www.matrixolution.com)

The "R/C by Moss" team were a bit late because Jim and his family had been holidaying in the Dominican Republic and their plane was late getting back to Toronto. But he, Cody and Don came in with their usual array of construction materials (balsa /& plywood) at great prices together several completely finished aircraft including a Hawk 3-D ship, a Kavalier and Jim's famous Grumman Duck. The Grumman Duck was snapped up by some guy who was seen leaving with the Duck & a big smile on his face. By the way - the team of Don & Jim Moss can help you out with many phases of your building project including supplying balsa & plywood, vacuum-forming canopies, fibreglass parts and computerized vinyl trim for your model - reach them at 905-728-5560.

The rest of the vendors are too many to mention but Ron Brownel, president of our sister Oshawa Club was there offering a fine array of great stuff. Ted Curl was there with a couple of tables - Bill Thorne of the Ajax club had a table - and on it went. Don McDougall of Brooklin bought two beautiful models which adorned the stage -- a Thunder Tiger Bearcat & a Hangar 9 Hellcat. Also on the stage was a Hangar 9 Mustang displayed by Doug Hamilton There were some great buys and generally one had to decide quickly as the bargains were snapped up.. So it was that, in this writer's opinion, the vendors collectively made this year's Heydenshore Sale the best in recent times. They all ably contributed to the support of our club by staging a fantastic variety and volume of things to buy - and the support of each of them is greatly appreciated by the Club.

As things wound down - Ted Curl stepped to the mike and conducted the draw for the three final prizes. The "Happy Boy" electric ARF donated by Pinnacle Hobbies was won by Ron Reid of Pickering; the GWS C-47 electric ARF, complete with speed controller donated by Bob Byrnes was won by John Alford, and the Electric ARF "Extra 330", donated by the club was won by Don Moss.

Successful events such as this don't just happen - they are the result of hard work by all-too-few members and in some cases, non-members. In this latter category we again particularly thank Ted Curl for his talents as well as Marlene Coulby and her sons Trevor and Andrew, plus their buddy Benji McEvoy. None of these folks are even members of the club!! They do it out of the goodness of their heart!! A big thanks to John Alford - our president, who took on the overall responsibility for the Heydenshore event and was all over the place at the sale, Bob Byrnes - or club secretary,

who donated the C-47 mentioned above and was there early to set up tables, manned the front door and looked after contingencies that arose. Howard Smith our club treasurer was a busy man making sure there were floats of cash where needed and putting the excess cash away for security, signing up new members and figuring out the financial details of the Sale. Much thanks as well to Martin Welby who looked after the cooking and serving of the peameal bacon sandwiches (a big seller - they were delicious!!) and also manned the front door – thanks also to Tom Ayling for looking after the selling the raffle tickets and helping with the retrieval of the advertising roadside signs. Don Cavanaugh helped put out and recover the advertising signs and man the front door. A big thanks to all these guys who donated their time and talents for the benefit of the club and all the members.



So Heydenshore 2009 writes itself into history as being one of the best.

Best Regards to all  
Bob Byrnes- Secretary