



April 5th, 2017

President: Bob Howard **Treasurer:** Yvonne Adam **Secretary:** Bob Graham
Chief Flying Instructor: *Vacant* **Field Operations:** Scott Boutilier

Call to order: 19:30

Attendees: Yvonne Adam, Scott Boutilier, Jim Childerhose, Bob Graham, Bob Howard,
Ken Klein, Tom Savage and Andrew Schenk.

March's Minutes Approved: Bob Howard / Scott Boutilier

Financial Report Approved: Yvonne Adam / Scott Boutilier

Revenue from interest and six membership fees \$xxxx, no expenses.

Club bank balance as of April 1st 2017 was \$xxxx.

President's Report:

Bob Howard didn't receive notice of the Presidents zone meeting held in Cornwall, in time to attend.

Flight Training Report:

No report, however Scott Boutilier was approached by a possible new member and the Hurley's might be still be interested in lessons.

Field Report:

Scott Boutilier and Tom Savage visited the field on separate occasions, there was about a foot of snow on the field and for the most part the driveway under the tree coverage was clear. There were numerous signs of turkey activity.

Old Business

- The club still has a large number of models and components from Ross MacEwan. Anyone who is interested in any of these items should contact Scott for details.
- Website hosting was renewed for another year at a cost of \$56.00CAD.

Discussions of Interest

- Tom Savage was talking to Brian Leahey, the Paramedic who pilots the drone for the County of Renfrew Emergency Services. Everyone thought it would be a great idea to have Brian give a presentation to the club.
- The Pembroke Airport is celebrating Canada 150 on September 23rd. They have requested that the club provide a static display and a R/C flight simulator for the event. Bob Graham volunteered to supply the flight sim.
- **New Drone Rules**
 - Bob Howard placed an article in the North Renfrew Times and Pembroke Observer a few weeks ago, to bring attention to Transport Canada's (TC) interim orders regarding drones and model aircraft.
 - The rules are in flux and TC is in the process of developing more formal regulations, which will impact model aircraft and drone operators.
 - Individuals who are flying at a MAAC sanctioned field are exempt from the TC rules, since they follow the rules set by MAAC.
 - A copy of the TC flyer has been added to the minutes. For a more detailed description of the current rules visit the TC website: [Interim Order Model Aircraft](#).
 - Andrew Schenk mentioned that Nav-Can offers a UAV course for \$3000.00, but it is geared toward commercial pilots.
 - In order to cover our bases it was suggested that a Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) be submitted to alert pilots that a Model aircraft site exists on the Ottawa river west of Deep River.
- In order to provide a safe and fun flying area for drones, it was suggested by Jim Childerhose that we invite non-members to the field for a day of drone flying. Concerns were raised about non MAAC members using the field and the risk of liability to the club if an accident or injury occurs during the event. A motion was made by Ken Klein that we approach MAAC and ask for recommendations on how such event could be organized and operated with their permission. It was seconded by Jim Childerhose and approved by all.

Next Meeting

May 3rd. Brian Leahey will be asked to give a presentation to the club.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 20:30.



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Flying for fun? **New rules** for recreational drone users

It's now the law! If you fly your drone for fun and it weighs more than **250 g** and up to **35 kg**, follow these new rules.



- higher than 90 m above the ground
- closer than 75 m from buildings, vehicles, vessels, animals, people/crowds
- closer than 9 km from the centre of an aerodrome (any airport, heliport, seaplane base or anywhere that aircraft take-off and land)
- within controlled or restricted airspace
- within 9 km of a forest fire
- where you could interfere with police or first responders
- at night or in clouds
- if you can't keep it in sight at all times
- if you are not within 500 m of your drone
- if your name, address and telephone number are not clearly marked on your drone.

If you do not follow these rules, you could put lives, aircraft, and property at risk, and face fines of up to \$3,000.

Consult the [safety measure](#) for the full list of rules.



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