



# The Antenna

April 2014



**New CARFF Pamphlet & Business Card - QR Code links to CARFF Website . Design by Tracy & Jon From**

**Next Club Meeting: 7:30PM, Wednesday May 7, 2014 at the CARFF Clubhouse**

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403-343-6301 (Call will be forwarded to member on duty). Primary contact: Stephen Poburan  
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**Fire Burning Permit:** Not Required.

**Field GPS Coordinates:** N52° 12' 6", W113° 42' 18" (N52° 12.106', W113° 42.304')

**CARFF on Facebook** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1418503868392501/>

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## R/C Gloves - A Canadian Perspective

Eraldo Pomare, MAAC 34361

Central Alberta Radio Fun Flyers, Red Deer AB

No pair of gloves that I have tried over the years has had the tactile performance to enable me to fly my R/C models until I tried R/C Gloves.

My first test, immediately after opening the envelope, was an easy-to-fly indoor coaxial helicopter in my warm living room; I could easily feel the sticks under my thumbs so felt comfortable moving to phase 2 - outdoors. BTW: I am a mode 2, "thumb flyer".

**March 18, 2014:** approx. 07:50, shortly after sunrise: -6C, no wind. Maiden flight for my UMX Carbon Cub; set up and flight duration ~10 minutes then rush off to work.

The gloves kept my hands sufficiently warm and I was able to feed in corrective trim and comfortably fly the model. I felt I could probably have flown much longer with the gloves on but was already running late.

**March 22, 2014:** approx. 09:00, temperature -17C, ~5km/h breeze. After a full 10 minutes (including a brief stop to adjust sub-trim) I was still able to fly the Carbon Cub with ease, but my fingers behind the Tx definitely felt they were reaching their limit; I doubt I'd have made the 15 min mark.

**March 23, 2014:** approx. 10:30, temperature -10C, no wind. Similar results to March 18. Flew out a full battery and could easily have continued indefinitely with no problem. As a control, I swapped battery and removed the gloves. Without gloves I lasted about 3 minutes. R/C Gloves definitely work in these conditions.

### Conclusion

There are certainly much cheaper, warmer gloves on the market but I have yet to find any gloves that I personally can use for R/C flying. As I have aged (58), I have found that my fingers stiffen in the cold - to the point that winter flying has unfortunately become indoors-only activity for me. R/C Gloves will enable me to fly outdoors again, comfortably in the -5C to -10C range with some wind.

**Disclosure:** Kevin at R/C gloves provided a test pair at reduced price to "return them if I don't like them or keep if I liked them and write a report on their low temperature performance". This is the report; and the semi-quantitative results are valid for me. I do like them. They're not perfect but are much easier and better to use than the "transmitter muff" type over the Tx muff. I'm keeping the gloves!



**CARFF  
MEETING MINUTES  
April 2nd, 2014**

**Call to order:** 7:30PM by Pres. Jon From

Attendance: Wayne Hutmacher, Lorn Brooker, Travis Sayler, Herb Curran, Rey Musikov, Brian Davies, Ron Ditchburn, Craig Parker, Tony Lindhout, Harvey Fodor, Eraldo Pomare, Rob McCoy, Adam Tomalty, Will Gross, Gale McCoy, Jon From, Brad Cleland

**Agenda additions or deletions**

Harvey, Dust Abatement  
Jon, Information pamphlets and business cards  
Rob, Auction

**Minutes of last meeting:** Errors or omissions

Approval: Moved by Lorn Brooker, seconded by Eraldo, Pomare, carried

**Financial Report:** Bank Acct. \$9,192.01, GIC, \$ 3,218.87 Total \$14,517/88

Indoor fun fly, cost \$1,300/95, received \$950.00 shortfall  
\$350.95

Approval: Moved by Eraldo Pomare, seconded by Rob McCoy, carried

**Old Business:**

**Change of memberships:** Wayne Hutmacher/Gary Allison

Reviewed clause by clause, Para., (b) and (c) age changed from 16 to 18

Para., (d) delete

Para., (e) sub para 1 & 2 deleted to make on para.

See changes at the end of minutes.

Notice of motion: by Wayne Hutmacher that the new classes of membership replace the Para., III of our present bylaws and the bylaws be amended accordingly to be seconded and voted on at May 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Air Show:** Jon From gave a brief overview of planning to date including some of the pilots and airplanes he has contacted.

**Field Rules :** John Ferguson or Brad Cleland

Gale read the new rules as presented and prepared by the committee moved by Tony Lindhout that rules be accepted as

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presented seconded by Brian Davies, carried. This committee consisted of Dennis Carney, John Ferguson, Will Gross, Brad Cleland and Eraldo Pomare.

**Auction:** Rob McCoy gave an overview of planning to date and stated that ALL members would be contacted soon to advise in what positions they would be prepared to help. This year wives will be encouraged to help.

**New Business:**

**Information pamphlets :** **Jon From passed out pamphlets and** business cards that he has developed Moved by Rob McCoy and Seconded by Lorn Brooker that Jon be authorized to have 500 pamphlets and 500 business cards printed carried.

**Glider Fun fly** Eraldo Pomare advised that he was planning to organize a glider event For May 30<sup>th</sup>, June 1<sup>st</sup>, encouraged members to get a glider.

**Additions:**

**Dust abatement:** Harvey Fodor briefly outline the dust abatement program for the road in front of our field with costs approx., \$850.00, Notice of motion by Harvey Fodor that the club spent up to \$850.00 to have the road in front of our field treated to be seconded and voted on at our May 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Open Discussion:** NIL

Motion for adjournment:  
9:10PM





***To be voted at the May 2014 Meeting (Notice of Motion published last month):***

**CARFF BYLAWS**

**NEW PARA.**

**III MEMBERSHIPS**

- a) Regular Member: carries with it the full rights to vote, run for office and use of the CARFF facilities for flying of model aircrafts and related activities.
- b) Junior Member: a person under the age of 18 as of the first of the membership year, not part of a family membership and must be sponsored by a current CARFF member.
- c) Family Membership : Husband, wife and all the children under 18 years of age. This carries all the rights of full membership.
- d) Leader Member: Regular member who is being recognized for special service and  
  
contributions to the club. This member will pay the regular membership fees, has the right to vote, run for office as well as fly. Must be nominated by five members in good standing and ratified by a majority vote of the members at a regular meeting. The nomination shall state the reasons for awarding this honor.
- e) Honorary Member: Can be by nomination signed by one member in good standing. As part of the nomination, reasons for appointing this honour will have to be given and nomination approved by a majority vote of the members attending at a regular meeting. This members does not pay dues, cannot vote at any meeting and cannot hold office, as well this member will not be a flying member.  
  
i.e. automatic for past presidents as an example. The criteria for such automatic appointment needs to be discussed and decided upon by the club members.
- f) The annual membership fees for each class of membership will be set the membership when setting annual the budget.
- g) All flying members must be a member in good standing of the Model Aeronautics Association of Canada (MAAC)

## Bob Sharpe in Hospital

Former Club President Bob Sharpe underwent by-pass surgery last Tuesday. Rob McCoy sent the following note:

“Please pray for Bob and Flo Sharpe and their three sons. Bob had a triple bypass on Tues. and has slipped into a coma which prevails to date ( Sat 5)  
Hopefully he's just resting and will return to us soon  
Thanks Rob”

## EDITOR'S SOAPBOX

Eraldo Pomare

We're all looking forward to Bob's speedy release from hospital and full recovery. We also always appreciate Bob & Flo's support & participation in CARFF functions. Take a short break, Bob & see you at the field soon!

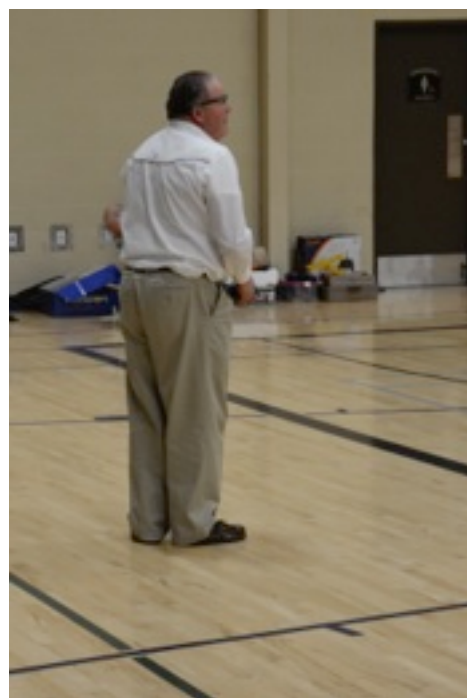
2014 Club President Jon From is quite the dynamo. He organized the very successful mall show in February and now with the help of his talented wife Tracy, he has developed a new club pamphlet and business card to hand out at CARFF events and also available at Hobby Extreme, our local the hobby shop. Including the QR code is a stroke of genius - the pamphlets have no time sensitive information such as contact names or phone numbers. The QR can be read by smartphones and links to the club website which has up to date information. Great job Jon & Tracy!



In the past month or so I have been experimenting with a couple of new products. The first, R/C Gloves ([www.rcgloves.com](http://www.rcgloves.com)) from the UK, is the subject of this month's feature article. While they are expensive, I have found them to be excellent and I really like them. I understand they are on sale right now.

The second item is a new glue by LePage: it's called 100% Glue and is compatible with polystyrene foam, wood and most modelling materials. With no water or solvents to evaporate there is no shrinkage to pull things out of alignment or water to swell & warp balsa laminations. While not super strong and requiring 24h to develop full strength, it has found a place on my workbench.

The Annual CARFF Auction is coming up on Saturday May 3 and we will, as usual, require all hands on deck. Rob &/or Gale McCoy will be calling members individually to request their assistance for part of the day. If you can help all day, that will be greatly appreciated. Also, Rob is asking for members' wives to help with the recording function. It appears that wives tend to have clearer handwriting than their mates. Absolutely 1000% true in my case, so I will be asking Barbara to help for part of the day.



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Buy, Sell, Win

The Annual CARFF Auction is scheduled for Saturday May 3, 2014

At the SYLVAN LAKE COMMUNITY CENTRE

4725 - 43 St. Sylvan Lake, AB

Doors open at 9:00AM – Auction starts at 11:00AM

Same place, same rules, same great time.

For more detail check CARFF Website at [www.carff.ca](http://www.carff.ca)

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## 2014 Calendar of CARFF Events

May 3, 2014 (Sat)	CARFF Auction, Sylvan Lake
May 7, 2014 (Wed)	Club Meeting, CARFF Clubhouse
May 31/Jun 1 (S/S)	Sailplane Event - Organizer: Eraldo Pomare
Jun 4, 2014 (Wed)	Club Meeting, CARFF Clubhouse
Jul 27, 2014 (Sat)	Airshow, CARFF Field
Jul 2, 2014 (Wed)	Club Meeting, CARFF Clubhouse
Aug 2 & 3 (Sat/Sun)	Western Canada Pattern Championship - CD Will Gross
Aug 6, 2014 (Wed)	Club Meeting, CARFF Clubhouse
Sep 3, 2014 (Wed)	Club Meeting, CARFF Clubhouse
Oct 1, 2014 (Wed)	Club Meeting, CARFF Clubhouse
Nov 5, 2014 (Wed)	Club Meeting, CARFF Clubhouse
Dec 3, 2014 (Wed)	Club Meeting, CARFF Clubhouse - AGM & Election Night

***Additional 2014 events will be published as soon as information becomes available.***



***CARFF Field, March 2014. Photo: Barbara Pomare***

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