



The Antenna

December 2014



CARFF's first Flying Event of 2015: Arctic Aviation Adventure, January 1, 2015 at 11:00. Photos from previous event(s).

** Floats or skis work well on snow. Floats work best if the snow is light, dry and powdery.*

** If you don't have skis or floats - Santa still has time to get them for you!*

Next Club Meeting: Thursday Jan 1, 2015 ~11:00 AM at the CARFF Clubhouse
(During the Arctic Aviation Adventure)

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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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CARFF GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

DATE: Dec. 3rd, 2014

In attendance: Wayne Hutmacher, Adam Tomalty, Scott Nelson, Lorn Brooker, Chris Warner, Rob McCoy, Herb Curran, George Rehman, Eraldo Pomare, John Ferguson, Ron Hill, Ethan Brown, Greg McMaster, Craig Parker, Brian Davis, Tony Lindhout, Vince Mulhall, Dave Evans, Harvey Fodor, Gale McCoy, Jon From.

Call to Order : 7:30PM

Agenda:

Additions: Field Rules

Moved: Wayne Hutmacher Seconded: Dave Evans Carried

Minutes: Moved: Rob McCoy Seconded Herb Curran Carried

Financial Report: Bank account: \$6,050.03 GIC: \$5,406.63 Total: \$11,456.66

Old Business:

1. Mall Show March 7th, 2015, set up will be from 7:00am TO 9:00am take down about 4:30Pm. Suggestion that this year have public vote on best model, CARFF members vote on best by categories, to be further refined.
2. Bylaws have been amended and included in Nov., newsletter, to be passed by special resolution Feb. 4th, 2015 meeting, see instruction at end of these minutes on email voting.
3. Nominations all by acclamation:
 - Pres., Jon From
 - Vice Pres., Harvey Fodor
 - Sec., Chris Warner
 - Treas., Gale McCoy
 - Directors: Will Gross, Tony Lindhout, Brian Davies.
4. John Ferguson advised that club field rules boards have been prepared one for the side of the club house, the second for the main entrances from the pits to the field. John advised that three further signs are required for the pits entrance. A committee of John Ferguson, Eraldo Pomare, Harvey Fodor, Vince Mulhall, Will Gross and Brian Davies to formulate policy to cover such topics as safety, safety officers etc.,
5. Rob McCoy advised that indoor flying for Feb. 1st, 2015 has been cancelled and rescheduled for March 29th, due basketball tournament at Multiplex.
6. George Rehman moved seconded by Herb Curran that Wayne Hutmacher and Vince Mulhall be appointed auditors for 2014.

New Business: Nil

Open Discussions:

Greg McMaster brought up the fact some people are complaining about possible radio interference, Brian Davies to review and report back to next meeting.

There maybe a short meeting at the Jan/. Polar Fun Fly.

Email voting: under new bylaws email voting is permitted where prior notice is required to all members, by email to the Club Treasurer in this case Gail McCoy at rgmccoy@shaw.ca

You are ALL asked to email vote on the new bylaws before Feb., 4th, 2015 meeting by cut and pasting the following one line on an email to Gale

I support the CARFF bylaws as published in the club November 2015 newsletter YES NO

If you agree strike out (delete)

NO

If you do not agree strike out (delete) **YES**

Adjournment: 8:15 PM

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Arctic Aviation Adventure: Photos from Previous Years
- Members Having Fun! See you on Jan 1, 2015.



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EDITOR'S SOAPBOX

Eraldo Pomare

Another successful CARFF year has flown by; many thanks to the CARFF Executive & volunteers for a great job keeping the club energized. Next year is shaping up to be another exciting one for CARFF. Our second airshow is scheduled for July, then from 2016 we plan to alternate years with the Red Deer Airshow. Good to see!

In my opinion, it's building season (and Indoor Flying). Your editor continues to buy kits on eBay and over the Christmas break I hope to start building a Messerschmidt Bf 110 kitted years ago by Flair Models of the UK. Two 10 size brushless motors electrics should fly this plane well since it was originally designed for two Speed 600s! Barbara suggests I use the build process as newsletter 'blog' - so that's the plan!

Safety awareness in our hobby has come a long way but we still need to make extra efforts to keep safety in the forefront of our minds. Only when we internalize safe practices will we eliminate incidents leading to harm. Some thoughts follow; and while writing, I realized I'm not squeaky clean! **Do you always:**

- Charge LiPo batteries outside the model, in a fireproof container or outside well away from combustibles? Never inside your car?
- Dispose of LiPos after piercing the foil under salt water and soaking for 24h?
- Dispose of NiCd, lead acid & NiMH batteries at a recycling station?
- Tie down your IC engined plane when starting?
- Range check your radio system - including your 2.4 GHz sets?
- Ensure a zero energy state for your electric models by disconnecting the batteries after each flight?
- Observe runway etiquette/rules - announce take-offs & landings, observe the traffic pattern?
- Adopt safe practices with modelling tools, adhesives?
- Wear safety glasses when cutting music wire, using a drill etc.?
- Wear an appropriate breathing mask when using volatile paints and dopes?
 - Activated carbon filter for most dopes & thinners?
 - Supplied air for Endura or other 2-pack polyurethane paints?
- Store combustibles appropriately (balsa, paints, fuel, foam)? Batteries contain a lot of energy - are your LiPos stored in a pile(s) under/near combustibles, or in a fireproof container away from paper and balsa?
- Never airbrush or spray volatile paints in your basement? Close thinners/acetone cans immediately after use & keep away from the furnace? Limit the quantities?
- Control balsa dust? i.e. is there lots of balsa dust floating around when you're building (breathing hazard, dust explosion hazard)?

Have a safe Christmas & building season!

2014/2015 Calendar of CARFF Events

Dec 28, 2014 (Sun)	Indoor Flying, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM, Penhold Multiplex; \$10
Jan 1, 2015 (Thu)	Arctic Aviation Adventure, 11:00, CARFF Field. Organizer: Rob & Gale McCoy
Jan 1, 2015 (Thu)	Club Meeting, CARFF Clubhouse **New for 2015 ** - During Arctic Aviation Adventure
Jan 4, 2015 (Sun)	Indoor Flying, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM, Penhold Multiplex; \$10
Jan 7, 2015 (Wed)	Club Meeting, CARFF Clubhouse **New for 2015 **
Jan 18, 2015 (Sun)	Indoor Flying, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM, Penhold Multiplex; \$10
Feb 4, 2015 (Wed)	Club Meeting, CARFF Clubhouse, BY-LAW VOTE
Feb 15, 2015 (Sun)	Indoor Flying, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM, Penhold Multiplex; \$10
Mar 1, 2015 (Sun)	Indoor Flying, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM, Penhold Multiplex; \$10
Mar 4, 2015 (Wed)	Club Meeting, CARFF Clubhouse **New for 2015 **
Mar 7, 2015 (Sat)	Mall Show, Bower Mall. Organizer: Jon From
Mar 15, 2015 (Sun)	Indoor Flying, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM, Penhold Multiplex; \$10
Mar 29, 2015 (Sun)	Indoor Flying, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM, Penhold Multiplex; \$10
Jul 19, 2015 (Sun)	AIRSHOW 2015. Organizer: Jon From

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