

# SKYWORDS

The Newsletter of :  
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## President's report for the month of October 2016

**Welcome to the start of the winter programme. My apologies for the normal Club meeting dates being out of synch for September and November but for the first time since I have been a member ( 13 years ) a 5 Thursday month ambushd us and since the Centennial Hall is very popular could not be corrected in time also November / December have been combined once again for the same reason.**

**For this upcoming meeting on the 27 th we will be holding an Auction of a number of aircraft donated to me during the summer from people getting out of the hobby, hopefully Tom will be our auctioneer so bring your wallets stuffed with money, should be a fun evening.**

**Don't forget to bring your latest and greatest for show and tell.**

**For November / December meeting we will try to run the Rubber rally again, as a few members expressed a willingness to participate. Last year it was a lot of fun, so bring along your rubber powered aircraft and let's see what happens.**

**For those who were not at the September meeting I mentioned that we have signed a lease with the City of Burlington for a period ten years with an option of another ten years in 2026.**

**Part of Bayview's parking lot was re-configured by bringing back the boulders and putting 9" diameter posts c/w chains to protect the area, in addition the control line area was protected by the same arrangement. Thank you to all the members who turned out to help.**

**Both Bayview and Bronte were overseeded in order to enhance the grass.**

**Thank you to all the mowing crews for keeping both fields neat and tidy.**

**I have put in a request to the City of Burlington for 1 st refusal on the area between the flying field at Bayview and the dog run ( where the old Baseball diamond was ), I would like to have some ideas from you for it's possible use. Ideas that I have received so far are an area for racing Drones, Bigger Heli area , FPV flying area , possible location for new club house ( Rifle range club house relocation if possible ) the City seemed amenable to our request.**

**The Geotech Taxiway seems to have proven a success and members asked for the same thing at the other end of the field. I think we should wait and see how it survives the winter and then decide.**

**Ashley**

**SAVE THESE DATES / 2016**

**October 27 General Meeting  
Central Library 7 pm  
Auction**

**November / December Combined Meeting  
December 1  
Central Library 7 pm**

**Check BRCM website to confirm times.**



# **BRCM General Meeting Minutes – Thursday Sept 29, 2016**

*Motion to open meeting by T. Madge and seconded by G. Magill.*

*Motion to accept the minutes of May 26, 2016 meeting as documented and circulated by B. Sudol and seconded by D. Solodzuk*

Members Present: 63

Guests / New Members: Paul Chitty, Roy Reimer, Don Bingly

Wings Presentation: None at this time

**Next Meeting: Thursday October 27, 2016**

## **IMMEDIATE ACTION ITEMS**

DATE	RESPONSIBILITY	DETAILS	STATUS
Nov/15	J Fazzari	Bayview Weather Station	On hold
Mar/16	A Armstrong	Motion by J. Fazzari – Long Term Vision	To be discussed at early June Board
May 26	A Armstrong	Approval Process from City – boring holes for fencing	On hold

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **New City Contract - Bayview**

Ashley was able to get a new contract with the City of Burlington for 10 years (effective June 16, 2016) with an option for 10 additional years. Thanks Ashley for securing our long term position at Bayview.

### **Passing of Clyde Halford (BRCM Lawyer)**

It is with regret that the membership was informed of the passing of Clyde Halford approx. 1 month ago. Clyde was BRCM's lawyer for many years.

Ashley met with the firm that is taking over Clyde's clients and they will represent BRCM going forward.

Firm: Wynne, Pringle, Jeske & Kovacs

### **General Meeting Schedule for 2016**

Due to room booking conflicts, November and December's General Club Meetings will be consolidated to one.

Therefore remaining meeting dates for 2016 are: Thurs Oct 27, Thurs Dec 01

### **Rubber Powered FunFly – At Club Meeting on Dec 01**

Please bring your rubber powered plane to the December 1st Club Meeting for some fun

## **UPDATES**

### **Website**

Lawrence asked for assistance to develop a Calendar of Events for the website. Anyone interested please contact Lawrence.

**Wings** 23 in total – 11 students, 8 grads, 4 checkouts

### **Warbirds**

A big thanks to all volunteers for helping at this year's event.

Saturday was a poor showing but weather improved on Sunday and lots of fun was had

Lost \$110, however BRCM donated \$2000.00 to Carpenter's house!

\$750 Parking \$750 Bernie Sudol \$500 Wade Wepler

### **Dedication - Harry Barnard**

A dedication was made to Harry Barnard. Nick Chewka made up plaques for the Chickee. Harry's wife and family were present.

Harry's Sopwith Pup which was given as a prize at Warbird will soon hang in the Warplane Heritage Museum

Appendix 1 is a list of planes that Harry's wife is trying to sell (see website) - [www.brcm.org/Barnard.pdf](http://www.brcm.org/Barnard.pdf)

### **Bronte Field Update**

Will over-see in the next few days

Recent childish vandalism (outhouses locked, trailer overturned, spray paint on buildings "Bayview Rules")

Vandalism cleaned up and Police will patrol this area more frequently

### **Bayview Field Update**

Big Thanks to volunteers who recently installed posts.

Mowers are working fine

Doug E to follow up with landscaper – split seeding

Runway and charging stations working great

Thanks to Don and Team – new picnic tables look great.

Reminder – important to change garbage

### **Spending Your Money**

Membership suggestion to install a second taxiway. Ashley suggested we put this on the topic for Spring 2017 due to large spending in 2016 and also to see how taxiway weathers over the winter

Fencing was not replaced in 2016 due to high cost and some further investigation required. For review in 2017.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **Field Safety Officer**

D Cummings asked Ashley for an explanation of why the Board asked Karl Gross to step down from position of Safety Officer following the May 2016 Club Meeting

Ashley stated that he could not comment due to recent legal action that is being taken against BRCM.

Membership asked who launched legal action. Ashley stated that D. Cummings and K. Gross have issued legal notes to BRCM Board.

Membership wanted to hear more and D Cummings wanted a response from Ashley

*Motion: A motion was raised that any legal matters no longer be discussed at this time*

*Raised: G Magill*

*Voted: Majority voted in favor, 5 voted against.*

*Motion: Passed*

### **Rude Emails to Karl Gross**

Karl Gross explained to the membership that he received a rude email using the email of a deceased member of the club. Why Karl had his suspicions of the person responsible he did not have proof.

Lawrence C stood up and said that if the person responsible was found, he would see to it that the person was removed from BRCM.

*Motion to close the meeting by G. Magill and seconded by J. Cook.*