



# March 2007

## NEXT CLUB MEETING:

**Monday March 26<sup>th</sup>  
8pm Shannon Golf Club.**

## Club / MACI Fees:

Subs for the 2007 season are now **past due**.  
If you have not done so already please make your remittance to Mr. Paddy Bolger (Hon. Treasurer).

**Current MACI insurance expires on March 31<sup>st</sup>  
Members should confirm that they are insured before flying after this date.**

### April:

Apr 7th Sat	<b>Heli Challenge Trophy</b>	Carron
Contact:	Gary Keogh	086-4067684
Apr 15th Sun	<b>Cork MAC Annual Glide-In</b>	Cork Area
Contact:	Kevin O'Donoghue	087-6384007
Apr 21 Sat	<b>Contest Directors Course</b>	Portlaoise
Contact:	Brian Carolan	087-6509848

### May

May 6th Sun	<b>MACI Annual Glide-In</b>	Killaloe
Contact:	Ralph McCarthy	087-8322791
May 6th Sun	<b>Scale Association Fly-In</b>	Curragh
Contact:	Steve Quigley	01-6241209
May 12/13th	<b>Munster Championships</b>	Middleton
Contact:	Noel Barrett	021-4275971
May 19th Sat	<b>Heli Challenge Trophy</b>	Hanger 45
Contact:	Gary Keogh	086-4067684
May 26/27th	<b>Tipperary Championships</b>	Carron
Contact:	Gordon James	086-8269840

# MACI Events

## Scale Competition:

There has been some discussion regarding the possibility of running a **Scale Competition** at Shannon. Obviously this can only happen if there is sufficient support (*and demand*) from the membership.

Members who are interested in making this competition happen please express your interest to any member of the committee.



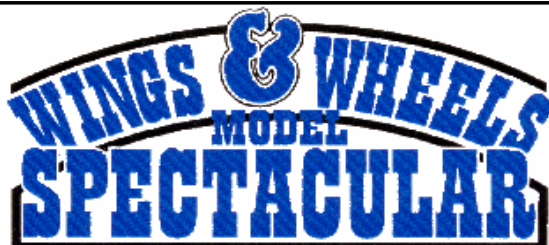
## Gliding & MACI Annual Glide-in:

A full program of gliding dates has been organised for 2007. Details and dates are provided in the addition to this newsletter.

The **MACI Annual Glide In** is scheduled for **Sunday May 6th** at **Tountinna**. As this event takes place locally it is an ideal opportunity for SMFC members to take part and to meet with other like minded individuals from around the country.

*Further details can be had from Mr. Gerry Buckley (Glider Secretary).*

## Wings & Wheels 2007:



A group of club members are considering travelling to the Wings and Wheels Model Show in the UK.

The show takes place on Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th June.

According to the website features of the show include:

- model aircraft
- model boats and cars
- large Bring-and-Buy sale
- 70+ trade stands
- largest Saturday Market in England

Interested members should contact any member of the committee

More details can be had by visiting the following web address:

**<http://www.wingsnwheelsspectacular.com/>**

## University of Limerick:

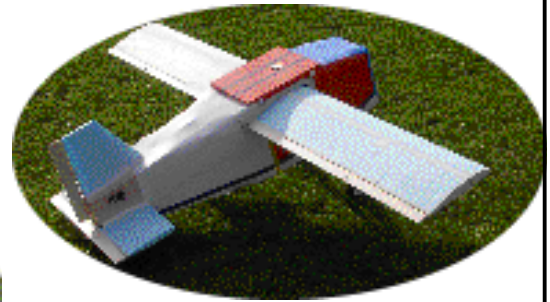
The UL designs have taken to the air (in a manner of speaking!).

Some photographs of the finished designs are shown below.

Unfortunately none of the designs were completely successful, which perhaps serves to underline the difficulty in getting pieces of balsa to fly!

One of the designs was coaxed into the air for a short time but in general the designs were underpowered and somewhat uncontrollable.

The University may well run this program again and could certainly benefit from more direct support from the club.



Many thanks to the club members who assisted with this endeavour including **William, Dermot and Liam.**



## Indoor Flying:

Indoor flying is now nearing the end of the current season. The turnout during the year has been good with an average of ten flyers regularly turning up.



There are a few more dates left in the calendar and members should consider coming along (*perhaps with a view to having something ready for the Autumn season!!*)

## SMFC Website:

The SMFC Website continues to be updated with club information. Many thanks to Denis for keeping the website running and up to date.

I'm sure that Denis would welcome contributions from the membership including photographs, general information, articles, etc.

*Please contact Denis directly by email at [smfc@eircom.net](mailto:smfc@eircom.net)*