



## JUNE 2017

**1. Co-Pilot Course-** Now in beta testing. Includes 1 hour ground instruction and 3 hours in yours or RFC aircraft. Can be tailored to your needs or wishes. Please contact Mike Meehan 525-6194 if you are interested in this course. \$270 + gst, based on your aircraft.

**2. Open House-**Has been rescheduled to **Sunday September 17<sup>th</sup>** due to construction near our ramp.

**3. “Do it with Glass”-** GTM being considered for an avionics upgrade due to an unforeseen avionics problem. The Board will soon be considering a decision request to install two Garmin G5 glass upgrades including an AI and DG and horizontal situation indicator (HSI). If the decision is to proceed, it may still be a number of weeks to obtain the 2 panels and schedule the installation. This will eliminate the need for a vacuum pump.

**4. Airport Construction- Construction** on our ramp area is now complete.

We are however going to be affected by other construction including the closure of the new Taxiway “Charlie” from June 15<sup>th</sup> to July 5<sup>th</sup>. Other construction closures include Bravo 1 and Mike from June 7<sup>th</sup> to June 14<sup>th</sup>. This requires special procedures for backtracking on runway 13/31. Rental pilots be sure to discuss with an RFC Instructor before departing during these dates.

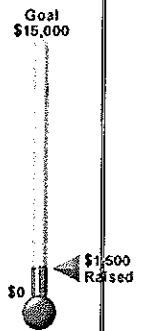
**5. On-Line Payment capability-** coming to our website. This will allow purchase of RFC Gift Certificates, Pilot for an Hour flights, etc. all from the comfort of your home. Watch for this on our website in the near future.

**6. Pilot lounge-** Demolition and construction is well under way with great thanks to Kyle Jacques and the staff of Winmar Disaster Restoration! Substantial completion is targeted for Open House-Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>.

Our Pilot Lounge capital campaign has started and to date we have \$1,500 of our \$15,000 target! If you can help, please make your greatly appreciated donation to Regina Flying Club-Pilot Lounge and deliver to Cindy-Many Thanks!

### Capital Goal: Donors:

Rick Barks	\$ 500
McNair Business Development Inc.	\$1,000



**7. Wings Night (Graduation)-** held on May 13<sup>th</sup> was enjoyed by all who attended and our keynote Maryse Carmichael provided an outstanding presentation. Congratulations to all graduates and award winners! Nick Hildebrand, recipient of the Graduate Pilot award will be going for a ride in a Hawk jet at 15 Wing Moose Jaw in June kindly provided by Col. D. O’Reilly, Base Commander. Watch our Facebook page for pics of Nick’s ride.

**8. Aviation History presentation-**Thanks to Will Chabun and Gary Williams of the Canadian Aviation Historical Society (Regina Chapter) (CAHS) for a great presentation on the history of the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan in Saskatchewan (and at the RFC). Watch for more Aviation history presentations in the future. Memberships to CAHS are only \$15-20 annually and are available at the RFC office for those who enjoy aviation history.

**9. Wings and Things-**Great social enjoyed by all. Thanks to Marral Meadows for organizing and you for attending!

**10. Congratulations to Solos and License recipients!**

**First Solos**



**Chad Anderson**  
First Solo  
 10th May 2012



**Brydon Ritson**  
First Solo  
 May 26, 2012

**Private License**

David Stanchuk

**Commercial License**

Shane Lanouette

**Multi Engine**

David Gomez

**IFR - Single**

Shane Lanouette

**IFR - Multi**

Dustin Biesenthal

Nathan Blackhurst

**11. New Staff member- Welcome to Jessalyn Spooner-**RFC's new Summer Student- Ramp Attendant. Jessalyn is studying Criminal Justice at Jamestown University, North Dakota on a Wrestling Scholarship. That is, until we talk her into a pilot career!

**12. 15 Wing Tour-**Sign up for a tour of military flight operations at 15 Wing Moose Jaw. Max 20 members. Date **Monday June 12<sup>th</sup>. Meet at RFC at Noon.** Participants will be treated to view RFC member Nick Hildebrand do a flypast in a Hawk jet from the ATC tower balcony! Bring your cameras. Sign up by e-mailing the Office at [reginafly@sasktel.net](mailto:reginafly@sasktel.net)

**13. Quiz answers from May Airscoop:**

Ques.	Ans.				
1.	4	6.	2	11.	4
2.	3	7.	1	12.	3
3.	3	8.	1	13.	4
4.	3	9.	1	14.	4
5.	1	10.	4	15.	2

**14. Member Survey-** Being sent to canvass member's thoughts on your Club. Please take a few moments to complete it! Results will be shared in upcoming Airscoop.

**15. President's message:**

Thank you for your confidence in allowing me to serve as your President. I appreciate the history of the RFC, and I am interested in helping to move the club forward to ensure a good future. I look for advice from those who have been with the club, and involved at the Board level, over the years, and I invite newer members and younger members to have a say in shaping our direction as well.

The President and the Board are focused on supporting the efforts of Management and Staff to meet our obligations as a Flight School and Charter service, and support the many business and member initiatives coming from the 2017 Business Plan and member surveys. We have also established a committee structure to ensure good governance, facility upgrades and capital planning, marketing and communications, and social activities. Our bylaws will be reviewed and updated this year.

I appreciate your support as we review our services to make them better, as we need to grow revenues and invest in our aircraft, facilities and staff to ensure sustainability. This will mean some minor changes to pricing. The second annual 2017 RFC Survey is also being conducted this month so please participate. Also, Interim Business Manager, Rick Barks has been doing a great job since March. We have now posted a job notice looking for a full time permanent Business Manager (to start as early as August). Please consider who you know who might be interested. The full posting is in the office, on SaskJobs and on our website.

I welcome feedback and advice at any time. Blue skies!

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