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# AIR SCOOP

#### **JANUARY 2010**

#### **OUR BEST WISHES FOR 2010**

The RFC Board and Staff wish to thank all of the members and patrons of the Regina Flying Club for their continued support. The year 2009 was a very good year for the Regina Flying Club. We hope 2010 will be a great year for you!

#### **NEW PFC SIMULATOR ON LINE!**

Due to ongoing problems with our old simulator, the Regina Flying Club has purchased a new PFC Cat III Approved Flight Simulator. About 11 years of technological improvements have made this simulator much improved. Aircraft featured on the sim are assorted Cessna, Piper, Beechcraft and Mooney singles as well as Cessna, Piper and Beechcraft twins. Aircraft as large as the Cessna 414 and 421 are featured as well. Greatly improved graphics and weather options are open to the training pilot. All this at the same price. Come give it a try!

#### YOUR 2010 MEMBERSHIP IS NOW DUE!

Unless you renew with the Regina Flying Club now, your membership will lapse and you will not be able to book an aircraft online.

#### THIS IS YOUR LAST NOTICE!

Keep your privileges of membership!

IF YOU HAVE NOT HAD A MEMBERSHIP CARD SENT TO YOU OR HAVE NOT PICKED ONE UP, YOU HAVE NOT RENEWED YET!

This will be your last newsletter until you renew!

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP TODAY!

KEEP YOUR ONLINE PRIVILEGES!

Regina Flying Club Board of Directors

2009-2010

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#### **NO AIR CADETS IN 2010!**

The Regina Flying Club received notification recently that the air cadets will not be returning to Regina next summer. Winnipeg, Steinbach and Red Deer are the recipients again this year. The Regina Flying Club received air cadet students as well as the above 3 locations in 2009. The decision makers never indicate the reasons for their choices.

#### GROUND SCHOOL STARTS

A new cycle of Private or Recreational Pilot Ground School will begin on Monday, Feb. 15 and will meet every Monday and Wednesday. Anyone interested could start on the following new topic dates:

February 15 - Air Regulations and Theory of Flight March 15 - Meteorology and Navigation April 19 - Air Regulations and Theory of Flight

Tell your friends that Ground School starts Monday, February 15.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Happy New Year!

As we launch into 2010, I am happy to report that the Regina Flying Club had another successful 2009 fiscal year. While final numbers are still in the works, we did have a decent financial year. Thank you to all of our members, students and customers for your support. Details will be made available at our Sustaining members meeting in March, and the AGM in April. Thank you to Tom and the entire RFC staff for a successful year!

The Board continues to work on our hangar repairs. At this point, the Clubhouse is still for sale/lease, and has been listed with a commercial real estate broker. Once we have been able to secure an agreement on the clubhouse, we plan to move forward with the renovation plans for the hangar. Unfortunately, we cannot start until we can raise the capital needed from the clubhouse, and secure some outside funding as well. However, we are confident that this will happen and we can begin soon. We have had some interest, so things are encouraging.

As mentioned, our Sustaining Members meeting is coming up on March 25 at a yet to be announced location. All Sustaining Members are encouraged to attend. At this time, the Board of Directors will be elected for the coming year. The AGM is scheduled for April 22. All members are asked to attend. This is your opportunity to hear details of the business side of the club, ask questions, and offer your thoughts and ideas. I hope to see you all there in April!

The weather this year has certainly been a mixed bag of extreme cold, and rather mild conditions. Winter flying can be some of the best of the year, offering cool smooth air and bright sunny days! I encourage you to do some flying this winter or maybe add that long-desired night rating — when you can fly at night early versus after 10:30pm during the summer!

Thank you once again for your support in 2009 and all the best for a safe, prosperous and happy 2010!

Bill Thorn

#### **NEW LICENSE REMINDER**

Have you got your new Canadian Pilot License yet? The application and details on applying are available at the Regina Flying Club office or the following website:

http://www.tc.gc.ca/wwwdocs/Forms/26-0726\_0811-02\_BO.pdf

Transport is still accepting applications from pilots. There is no charge for the new license formats. One passport photo must be included with the application and must be signed on the back by a guarantor.

Student pilots applying for a license will need to:

- 1. Complete all the usual requirements.
- 2. Pass an Aviation Language oral test.
- 3. Submit a Passport photo and application.

#### **COPA REFRESHER**

COPA will be sponsoring a Pilot Refresher/ Recurrency on April 10, 2010 at the United Services Institute! Watch the March Airscoop for details.

## ANNUAL SUSTAINING MEMBERS MEETING

THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 2010 RFC HANGAR 7:00 p.m.

#### **WINTER FLYING TIPS**

Included in the November edition of the Airscoop was our annual WINTER FLYING TIPS. Now that we have felt more winter, maybe everyone will read the tips included in it. If anyone needs another copy, drop into the office or email us with your request.

## PILOT ACCOMPLISHMENTS SINCE LAST AIRSCOOP

#### FIRST SOLO

Brad Raes

Ed Beth

Nick Martin
Jim Parr
George Schofield
Marlys Tafelmeyer
Francois Vermeulen

Ed Beth
Doug Mintenko
Greg Simpson

IFR RENEWAL

#### PRIVATE LICENSE

Michael Currie

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!**

#### **NEW FIRST SOLO STUDENTS**



FIRST SOLO!!! Nov. 14, 2009

Brad Raes Instr: J. Verot



FIRST SOLO!!! Jan. 17, 2010

Nick Martin Instr: J. Beaver



FIRST SOLO!!! Jan. 10, 2010

Jim Parr Instr: Jennifer Beaver



FIRST SOLO!!! Nov. 25, 2009

George Schofield Instr: J. Beaver



FIRST SOLO!!! November 14, 2009

Marlys Tafelmeyer Instr: J. Beaver



FIRST SOLO!!! Dec. 31, 2009

Francois Vermeulen Instr: J. Verot