### REGINA FLYING CLUB







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# AIR SCOOP

#### **JULY 2010**

#### CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN

The repairs and improvements are set to begin on the Regina Flying Club hangar. Quorex Construction, the engineering firm consultants have a start date of August 3. First will be the removal of the metal and repairs on the south east wall. The steel and insulation for the wall and roof are due to arrive Aug. 9. By the end of August, we should have a new look to the south east wall and no leaks in the hangar when it rains. As time and finances permit, we hope to replace part of the south west wall and install a bifold door. Eventually, we hope to insulate and recover the other two walls.

During the construction period, business will be as usual at RFC. We ask that everyone park over by the clubhouse and enter by the gate near that area. This is only during the construction phase. We will have the gate propped open during business hours but if it does get closed, the gate code is 514. Thank you for your cooperation!

#### **OPEN HOUSE POSTPONED**

The Board of Directors for the Regina Flying Club has decided to cancel Open House for 2010. With the construction delays that have happened, they thought it best to wait until Spring of 2011. If you know of any family disappointed about missing the flights over the city tell them we offer Discovery Flights year round. Single place flights are \$65 + GST and three place flights are \$80 + GST.

#### **OLD LICENSES NO LONGER VALID**

Transport Canada tells us that June 30, 2010 was the deadline to have your new format pilot license issued. Any member who hasn't had this done, please don't ask to rent a plane from us unless there is an instructor on board.

There is no cost other than a passport photo and a postage stamp. Forms are available in the office.

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2010-2011

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#### **GROUND SCHOOL STARTS**

A new cycle of Private or Recreational Pilot Ground School will begin on Monday, Sept. 13 and will meet every Monday and Wednesday. Anyone interested could start on the following new topic dates:

September 13 - Theory of Flight and Air Regulations

October 11 - Meteorology and Navigation

November 15 - Theory of Flight and Air Regulations

The Sept. ground school is usually well attended, so it is best to phone in and reserve a seat.

#### ORDERED YOUR NEW LICENSE YET?

Just a reminder, if you haven't yet, order your new Pilot License now! Your old one is no longer valid. It may take 2 weeks to 2 months to arrive. Sorry, we can't rent you an aircraft until you have the new Pilot License booklet.

#### LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow RFC members:

Welcome to summer – finally! After the wettest Saskatchewan spring on record, I am sure you are just as happy as I am to see a little warmth and sunshine. I think we have earned it!

By the time you read this, work should have begun on the renovations and repairs to the hangar. That wet spring and wind storms dictated that we had to move forward now with the most needed repairs to the south wall and the roof. With a combination of cash on hand, insurance and the bank, we are able to start the repairs. Over the coming few weeks, the south wall (the one along the hangar parking lot) will see all of the siding taken off and replaced with new metal siding, and any wall boards that are not up to standard will also be replaced with new. In addition, the weather this year has made the leakage situation in the roof unacceptable, so we will also be installing a new roof on the building. The work should take about 3-4 weeks to complete.

We had hoped to replace the hangar doors as well, however without the revenue generated from the sale of the clubhouse, we are not able to do these renovations this year. We are still working to sell the clubhouse and should be able to complete all renovations, including the doors, at that time. While we have had some interest in the clubhouse, no firm offers have been submitted. We really need an aviation business to move in there, in keeping with the zoning of the property under the Transport Canada lease agreements. If you know of any such businesses that may be interested, please let us know. Still, with the repairs being done this month, the appearance of the hangar, at least from the outside, will be greatly enhanced, but more importantly, it will be safer for our customers, staff and equipment.

I would also like to take a moment to announce that long time Board member and past President Chuck Hood has stepped down from the RFC Board of AND EMPEROR OF THE FOREIGN

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Directors. Chuck has retired and he and his wife Joan have decided to move to their lakeside home in Manitoba. I want to thank Chuck for his many years of service and dedication to the Regina Flying Club. He will be missed, but we are all very happy for Chuck and Joan and wish them all the best. Chuck will remain a member of the club and will still help out at our Open House next year.

I would also like to announce that Doug Keam has joined the board until the next elections in the spring. Doug is a past board member and we welcome him back to the table.

I do hope that you will make good use of the now warmer weather and do some flying over the remaining weeks of summer. Like many weather-affected businesses, our spring was not the greatest as Mother Nature did not provide much good flying weather, particularly for our normally busy weekends. There are still a few fly-in breakfasts scheduled around the province and Alberta and Manitoba...so why not head out to one and build a few hours at the same time?

In the meantime, be sure to watch as the hangar takes on its new look, and remember that we are open for business during the renovations – just be sure to adhere to any safety signs that are posted and be careful around the construction areas.

Fly safe!

Bill Thorn, RFC President

#### **STAFF CHANGES**

There are no new changes with the instructional staff but we have a new evening ramp attendant. Brett Bobowski is a Commercial student with us, between semesters at SIAST. Welcome to the Regina Flying Club team, Brett.



Ramp Attendant Brett Bobowski

## PILOT ACCOMPLISHMENTS SINCE LAST AIRSCOOP

#### PRIVATE LICENSE

Dan Bjorndalen Alex Brazill Janice Hawke Torsten Hoppe Trevor Lowey Chad Michel Jill Suderman

#### NIGHT RATING

Brett Bobowski Rob Campbell Marielle Caron Darrell Dickson Todd Johnston Chad Michel Josh Patterson

#### **FIRST SOLO**

Andrew Hahn Jaylynn Lovelace Kevin Machniak Darryl Saldanha

#### **INITIAL MULTI IFR**

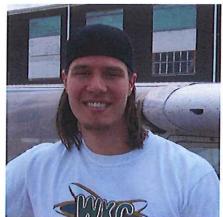
**Brad Godfrey** 

#### MULTI IFR RENEWAL

John Zaporzan

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!** 

#### **FIRST SOLO PHOTOS**



FIRST SOLO!!! Andrew Hahn June 30, 2010 Instr: M. Meehan



FIRST SOLO!!! July 30, 2010

Darryl Saldanha Instr: J. Verot



FIRST SOLO!!! June 1, 2010

Jaylynn Lovelace Instr: J. Zaporzan



FIRST SOLO!!! June 30, 2010

Kevin Machniak Instr: M. Meehan

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