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AIR SCOOP

MAY 2010

OPEN HOUSE 2010

The Regina Flying Club will be presenting our annual Open House 2010 on May 30. This year's version of the Open House will feature aircraft rides over the city, lots of static aircraft and aviation clubs. Our featured Canadian military aircraft will be an original Harvard. We are working to obtain several more and different static aircraft this year, from all areas of general aviation.

Every local aviation club and interest group will be present. Doors open at 10:00 a.m. Bring several of your friends!

IFR EVENING

On Thursday, May 27, 7:00 p.m., there will be an IFR meeting for all Instrument pilots, current, renewal and IFR students. Several new things will be discussed. Jim Thompson, Chief Pilot Sask. Government and part time instructor for RFC is organizing the evening. Check the posters in the hangar for topics and go to www.jvet.ca to any new ones.

RFC WINGS NIGHT - MAY 8

The Regina Flying Club presented its 55th annual *WINGS NIGHT* to honor all the graduates from the Club in the past year. One of the highlights of the evening was a very entertaining talk by Marco Rusconi. Marco is currently a Canadian Forces Snowbird. Marco relayed his feelings to the graduates on how great it is to be a pilot. An excellent meal was enjoyed by all at the Royal United Services Institute.

Award winners for the evening were as follows:

Highest Private Pilot Flight Test – Bradley Raes Highest Private Written Exam – Darrell Dickson Highest Combined Private Mark – Jarrett Wilkie RFC Advanced Pilot Award – Brett Bobowski Regina Airport Authority Career Pilot Award

- Aaron Zerr

Brian Findlay Memorial Award (Instructor Award)
- John Zaporzan

RFC Distinguished Service Award - Colin Beaton R. J. Groome Award - Malcolm McLeod

Later pages lists our graduates to date for this year.

Regina Flying Club Board of Directors 2010-2011 Bill Thorn President Vice-President Keith Biorndahl Jim Moser Treasurer Ken Behl Secretary Ken Etter Past-President Jim Goldie Board Members Chuck Hood Frank Schuurmans Doug Wilson Management

LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Tom Ray

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Dear Fellow RFC members:

General Manager

Chief Flight Instructor

Nice to see the sun shining again! I hope you have had a chance to get to the club and do a little flying or update your ratings.

The recent wind and rain storm was not kind to the hangar. As you know, we were working to repair the south wall, and hopefully, renovate other parts of the hangar. The wind storm worsened the south wall and also damaged the roof causing several leaks. So, as a result, we have had to expedite our plans even though the clubhouse has not yet been leased or purchased.

We are currently working with our bank to secure financing to, at minimum, fix the south wall and roof. We are confident this will be completed by month's end and we can get the work done right away. We have a small window of opportunity with the contractor, so we are pulling out all the stops to move things forward. We have been working on a plan to

replace the roof, all four walls and install a new hangar bi-fold door. However, we do want to be diligent and not over-extend the club's finances. So, pending the proposal from the bank, we will move forward with the most needed repairs first, followed by the remaining renovations as cash allows. Regardless, we will be looking at significant loan payments for some time. Once the clubhouse sells or leases, this will relieve the situation somewhat. But, in the end, we hope to have a solid building that will serve the club for many years to come. It will be expensive, but it is absolutely necessary to the operation and the safety of people and aircraft.

Clearly, the more revenue we can generate, the better! Please tell others about our club, encourage friends and associates to learn to fly, and do some flying yourself. If you know anyone looking for a place to donate some money, we could certainly talk about that too! We will keep you posted as the project moves forward.

Please plan to attend the RFC Annual Open House coming up Sunday May 30. This is our biggest event of the year as we welcome the general public into our world of aviation. Tom and his staff along with the Board led by Chuck Hood, are planning a great day with plenty of aircraft on static display, as well as our ever popular aerial tours of the city. This year, proceeds from the flights will support the Street Workers Advocacy Project, an organization dedicated to working with youth in Regina to build better lives free of the challenges presented by inner-city life. Doors open at 10am and we run all day to about 5pm. There will be food and beverages available as well.

I also want to congratulate all of our students and particularly our award winners from Wings Night on May 8. I was very sorry to have missed the event due to a family commitment out of province, but I heard it was a great night as usual. Congratulations to all, and thank you for choosing the Regina Flying Club for your training.

Have a great spring...and fly safe!

Sincerely, Bill Thorn, President Board of Directors, Regina Flying Club

REGINA FLYING CLUB RENTAL POLICY

A reminder to all rental pilots (not unlicensed students), the Regina Flying Club has a currency policy which is above and beyond the requirements Transport Canada requires for pilots to fly as "pilot in command".

If a licensed renter pilot with less than 100 hours, total time, has not flown with us in the previous month, he or she must do a check out with an instructor. The exercises covered and duration of the flight check will be determined by the instructor. If a licensed pilot has more than 100 hours, he or she must have flown with us in the previous 2 months. If not, a check out will be required. Flying a non Flying Club aircraft does not keep your currency.

There will be no exceptions! If you miss your window to stay current due to weather, you will still need a checkout. This requirement is all in the name of safety.

STAFF UPDATE

Recently, none of the Regina Flying Club Instructional staff has changed but there will be one addition to the ramp staff next week. Brett Bubowski will become the evening ramp attendant beginning in June. Brett is between semesters at the SIAST Commercial Pilot Diploma Program. Next Airscoop will include his picture.

406 ELT'S BECOMING MANDATORY

The new 406's Emergency Locator Transmitter will become mandatory for Private aircraft sometime in the next three years. This is the comment of Kevin Psutka of Canadian Owners and Pilots Association. Mr. Psutka has his ear to regulatory implementation of Transport Canada and he estimates in 3 years all Private aircraft will be required to conform to the new 406 ELT upgrade. The Regina Flying Club has one aircraft equipped with the new ELT and has 3 more on order. Within a year we hope to have all 10 aircraft equipped with the new 406 ELTs.

BUSY FLY-IN TIME OF YEAR

For those of you who are Canadian Owners and Pilots Association members, you will know how busy the Fly-In activity is right now. COPA sends out notices of Fly-In breakfasts, barbecues and just about anything aviation related. These events highlight Fly-In's from all the Prairie provinces and adjacent states. The Regina Flying Club has all the individual posters up in the Flying Club classroom. Drop in and see if there is one you and some friends may be interested in attending.

GROUND SCHOOL STARTS

The next Private/Recreational Pilot Ground School will begin on Monday, September 15 and will meet every Monday and Wednesday. Anyone interested could start on the following new topic dates:

Sept. 13 - Theory of Flight and Air Regulations

Oct. 11 - Meteorology and Navigation

Nov. 15 - Theory of Flight and Air Regulations

2010 RFC WINGS NIGHT

Instrument Rating Graduates

Private Pilot Graduates

Yu-Hyun (Brandon) Baik

Dustin Booth

Brett Bobowski

Sean Bucsis

Derek Mosher

Marielle Caron John-Paul Cullen

Matt Costella Michael Currie Karsten Hapel

Darrell Dickson Sean Horvath

Keith Lipsett

VFR Over-The-Top Rating Graduates

Instructor Rating Graduates

Sarah Miller Mike Poure

Josh Patterson **Bradley Raes**

Perry Casson

Paul Kane

Wayne Scott

Jeff Rumancik Sarah Thornton Michael Sheidaei Jarrett Wilkie

Russell Wildfong

Diljot Grewal

Curtis Petrychyn

Commercial Pilot Graduates

Dustin Booth

Danielle Furgason

Cody Geiger George Henson **Brad Godfrey** Christopher Hiles

Paul Kane

Congratulations to the following pilots on their recent achievements, some since the last Airscoop and others since Wings Night on May 8, 2010:

FIRST SOLO

NIGHT RATING

Shane Knapp

Grayden Demyen Chad Hepting Addison Karius

Shane Lanouette

Rob MacDonald Diana Ruiz

Jill Suderman

Michael Sheidaei Sarah Thornton

Night Endorsement Graduates

Recreational Pilot Graduate

Devin Ashley Chandra Curry Andrew Brice Ouinn Hanoski

Andrew MacCorquodale

Charles Vanden Broek

IFR RATING RENEWAL

Multi Engine Rating Graduates

Adam Brochu Jay Butler

Jared Banick Cody Geiger

Dustin Booth Christopher Hiles Brian Goranson

Derek Mosher

J. T. Marx

NEW FIRST SOLO STUDENTS



FIRST SOLO!!! Grayden Demyen May 14, 2010 Instr: J. Zaporzan



FIRST SOLO!!! March 28, 2010

Chad Hepting Instr: J. Zaporzan



FIRST SOLO!!! May 12, 2010

Addison Karius Instr: M. Meehan



FIRST SOLO!!! April 2, 2010

Shane Lanouette Instr: J. Zaporzan



FIRST SOLO!!! March 23, 2010

Rod MacDonald Instr: M. Meehan



FIRST SOLO!!! May 18, 2010

Diana Ruiz Instr: J. Phillips



FIRST SOLO!!! Jill Suderman April 22, 2010 Instr: J. Verot