## REGINA FLYING CLUB







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# AIR SCOOP

### **NOVEMBER 2011**

### **NEW HANGAR UP AND ENCLOSED!**

Our Regina Flying Club neighbor, the Redhead Equipment hangar is up and enclosed. The big door was put on recently and now they are pumping heat in so the interior can get completed. The pavement front and back is also completed. Rumour has it that the occupation date is Dec. 1, 2011. We miss the clubhouse but the new hangar is a nice addition to the hangarline.

### C-GYQR DELAYED

Due to a slightly low RPM issue, the new C-172, C-GYQR, is not going to be on line for a couple of weeks. Although YQR has the sharpest interior and exterior in the fleet, the engine has a timing issue, so the engine has to be split to correct this. There are still 3 172's of different weights and capabilities for you to choose from. We will have it back on line as soon as possible.

### **NEW RUNUP AREAS STARTED**

Since the runway and apron construction has been completed, Air Traffic Control is suggesting new locations for our run-ups. First, if you are taxiing for Runway 26 or Runway 31 for takeoff at "Kilo" taxiway, use the normal run-up area, opposite "Kilo" on the main ramp. The new place is if you are taxiing for Runway 13 or 08! No need to request a taxi clearance as taxiway "Charlie" is uncontrolled. Just taxi up "Charlie" to the new concrete on the new end of the Main Apron. Be careful not to go as far as taxiway "Bravo" as that is controlled or be blocking taxiway "Charlie". If you are fully on the new concrete that should be fine. Do your run-up there and then call Ground Control on 121.9 for your taxi clearance to your runway. This just began a few days ago and may be amended. We will let you know of any changes.

**NEED CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEAS?** 

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#### WINTER FLYING TIPS

Included in this edition of the Airscoop are our annual WINTER FLYING TIPS. The snow arrived recently and this will be excellent reading for anyone who intends to fly this winter or thinks that Winter and Summer flying are the same!

### GROUND SCHOOL STARTS

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

January 9 - Meteorology and Navigation February 13 - Air Regulations and Theory of Flight March 12 - Meteorology and Navigation

The next new Ground School Session start date will be Monday, February 13.

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

To start with, I'd like to welcome our 14 new students who have started ground school this month. Our Instructors are among the best around, and whether you are commercial pilot bound, or looking at aviation as a hobby, they will teach you to be professional in the way you approach flying. Whether you get paid, or pay to fly, approaching each flight as a professional will make you a safer pilot.

As we wrap the year at the Regina Flying Club, I think we can all be glad that the weather hasn't been as cold as predicted (yet). This gives us continued opportunities to keep flying and enjoying the smooth air of winter. This time of year, a night rating is one of the most useful tools in the toolbox. Winter flying can provide such smooth air, and the visibility at night can be outstanding, so it provides a perfect chance to take a friend or three on a night flight for dinner somewhere.

For those who have not seen it, the Regina airport now has a Cessna 172 named after it, the Regina Flying Club's C-GYQR. The down side that it is off line for a few more weeks for maintenance, but we look forward to it being back on line as soon as everything gets fixed up. It's a great looking plane.

As we approach the holiday season, I'd like to wish you all a happy Christmas season. On behalf of the Board of Directors of the RFC, thank you for supporting the Regina Flying Club in 2011 and we wish you all a safe, prosperous, and joy filled 2012.

Have a Merry Christmas - and as always, fly safe.!

Keith Bjorndahl

### **STAFF CHANGES**

On the instructional side, there has been one change since the last Airscoop. Jennifer Beaver has left RFC to become a First Officer on a King Air 200 flying for Saskatchewan Air Ambulance based in Saskatoon. Jennifer will be the first female to fly for Air Ambulance. Replacing Jennifer is Paul Kane. Paul is a recent Instructor graduate of RFC. Paul did his previous flight training here, went to SIAST and worked for North-Wright in Norman Wells, NWT for New to our maintenance department is 2 years. Tanys Sheelhaase. Tanys is helping Tom organize our maintenance and doing some maintenance on our aircraft. She is replacing Colin Beaton who decided to work in Regina's booming housing economy. Tanys worked in maintenance for 10 years, previously for Bar XH in Medicine Hat and Dobs Aviation locally. She is a valuable asset to our maintenance program. Also new to the Flying Club is Graeme McKague. Graeme replaces Ryan Aspeleiter on the ramp. Graeme is a Multi IFR student at present having completed his Multi Engine with us previously. Welcome to our new staff and good luck to the departing ones!

## COME AND BROWSE THROUGH OUR NEW ITEMS IN STOCK FOR CHRISTMAS:

### <u>Items in stock</u> <u>Stocking Stuffers</u>

Electronic Flight Computers Kneeboards
Headsets Flashlights
Headset Accessories Pilot Log Books
Aviation Clocks Aviation Coaster Sets
RFC Flight Bags

Bumper Stickers Key Chains

RFC Shirts Fuel Cups and Strainers
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RFC Hats Aviation Mugs

RFC Fleece Blankets

Aviation Christmas Decorations Aviation License Plate Holders

Assorted Books and Educational Supplies "One of a Kind" RFC Tree Ornaments

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Need a little something for a stocking stuffer?

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Culhane Books 25% off till the 2011's are gone!

### Regina Flying Club - HOLIDAY HOURS

Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Years Day – Closed

Open all other days Aircraft may be rented closed days by advance appointment made with the office!

# PILOT ACCOMPLISHMENTS SINCE LAST AIRSCOOP

FIRST SOLO

**NIGHT RATING** 

Mark Silzer

Perry Casson

COMMERCIAL LIC.

**INSTRUCTOR RTG.** 

Randy Kleim

Paul Kane

### SINGLE IFR RENEWAL

Greg Simpson

### **MULTI IFR RENEWAL**

Spence Bourassa

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!**

### NEW FIRST SOLO STUDENTS



FIRST SOLO!!! Sept. 17, 2011

Mark Silzer Instr: A. Zerr