REGINA FLYING CLUB







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AIR SCOOP

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!

September is always a refreshing month at the Regina Flying Club. We have many new members who have signed up for pilot training. This September saw 31 new prospective pilots join our ground school. Ground schools are Monday/Wednesday and Tuesday/Thursday for the next 9 weeks. Welcome everyone!

RUNWAY UPGRADES

Runways 13 and 31 and going to receive some upgrades next week, weather permitting. Plans are to do an emergency surface repair on Runway 13 on Monday, Sept. 20 and perform a "rubber removal" project on Runway 31 on Wednesday, Sept. 22.

Postponement of this work is possible due to weather. Please watch the NOTAMs, for the days that the work will actually be done.

CONSTRUCTION WELL UNDER WAY

The repairs and upgrades to the hangar have been happening for a few weeks now. The inclement weather has caused some delays. With a little cooperation from the weather man, completion should be in 2-3 weeks.

REMINDER: NEW PILOT LICENSE

Just a short reminder to apply for your new Pilot License. Wait time can be 3 weeks to 2 months. Check the following website link for information or drop into the Flying Club for the form:

http://www.tc.gc.ca/civilaviation/general/personnel/ch anges.htm

All types of aircraft pilots now need the new license format to be able to exercise any privileges of their license.

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GROUND SCHOOL STARTS

A new cycle of Private and Recreational Pilot Ground School began on Monday, Sept. 13. With a large enrollment, it will now meet every Monday and Wednesday, as well as on Tuesday and Thursday. Anyone interested could start on the following new topic dates:

October 11 - Meteorology and Navigation

November 15 - Theory of Flight and Air Regulations

January 10 - Meteorology and Navigation

The next new cycle of ground school after Sept. will begin on Monday, November 15.

NIGHT RATING

With the gradual shortening of our days, legal dark is moving closer and closer to the supper hour. Now is the time to do that night rating while you can fly early but without the snow and frost. Call your favourite instructor today!

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

If you have been by the hangar in the past few weeks, you will have noticed crews working on installing the new roof! Our renovations are finally underway. The renovations will see the roof replaced followed by removing the current exterior siding and deteriorated wall boards on the south wall (next to the parking lot). New siding and insulations will be installed afterwards. The renovations will stop the leakage in the roof and secure the south wall to safe standards.

As a result of the renovations, we unfortunately had some water find its way into the office area, as well as the SOS Avionics office. There was no major damage to any equipment; however the office will need to be repaired. This has been addressed with the contractor and will be done very shortly. The weather has caused much trouble this year!

While the renovations are going, it is business as usual, but please be cautious around materials and work crews when visiting the hangar. Work should be completed by mid-October. In recent weeks, we have also replaced the office furnaces as they were very outdated and inefficient.

We are still trying to sell the Clubhouse after over a year on the market. As you know, our challenge is finding an aviation business to take over the property due to its airside proximity. Needless to say, it has been a long and frustrating endeavour. If we can sell the clubhouse, we can move forward with further improvements to the hangar. If you know of anyone in aviation looking for property, please let us know at the club office.

When summer did finally arrive in mid-July, our flying hours picked up substantially. So far this fall, Mother Nature seems to be back to her rampage with plenty of rain, wind and cloudy days. We are striving to finish our fiscal year with strong revenues. To do so, we need some good weather and the planes in the air on those days. Our ground school which

started September 13 is full so student demand remains high. However, I would encourage all members to take advantage of the cooler temperatures this fall and enjoy the colours of fall from the air! Fall is an ideal time to do a night rating or get one more cross country in before winter. Fall offers some of the best flying of the year.

Take care up there - and fly safe!

Bill Thorn

BATTLE OF BRITAIN ANNIVERSARY

Memorial Service Sat., Sept. 18, 2010 at 10:30 am

Semi-Formal Dining In Dinner Sun., Sept. 19, 2010 Reception at 1800, Dinner at 1900

Memorial Service at War Memorials, Legislature

Receptions and Dinner at Royal United Services Institute

Call Terry Lyons at 586-0775 or lyonsden@sasktelnet

STAFF CHANGES

On the instructional side, we have had one change since the last Airscoop. Dan Konchak will be leaving on Sept. 25. Dan will be joining West Wind Aviation to be a bag run pilot. Good luck, Dan. On the ramp, Brett Bobowski finished his summer evening employment as the days have gotten shorter. Brett has gone back to school at SIAST for the fall. He says he will be back after completing the SIAST Commercial Pilot ground school. Thanks for your help Brett and we hope to see you in December!

PILOT ACCOMPLISHMENTS SINCE LAST AIRSCOOP

FIRST SOLO

PRIVATE LICENSE

Mark Fischbuch Kyle Luchia

MULTI RATING

Lindsay Bowers
Logan Cross
Ron Kleim

Ed Snell

Davis Varin
François Vermeulen

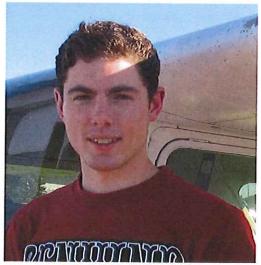
Aaron Zerr

MULTI IFR INITIAL

Chris Hiles

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

FIRST SOLO PICTURES



FIRST SOLO!!! August 25, 2010 Mark Fischbuch Instr: J. Phillips

FIRST SOLO PICTURES (cont'd)



FIRST SOLO!!! August 20, 2010

Kyle Luchia Instr: M. Meehan

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