

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!

NEW RFC AIRCRAFT

The Regina Flying Club has purchased a new "N" model C-172. This aircraft came from Ohio and is in excellent condition with new paint and a new leather interior. This is replacing LJU that was written off about a year and a half ago. The new aircraft registration will be C-GYQR, rather fitting for a Regina aircraft. Within a week or two, we are hoping all the inspection and re-registration of the aircraft will be completed. We will keep you posted.

RUNWAY CONSTRUCTION COMPLETED

With runway 13-31 completed, capping of runway 08-26 finished last Friday. There is also an extension being done to the main apron and should be completed in October. So sometime soon everything will be back to normal. Now run-ups can be done on the main apron and taxiway Mike, depending on your choice of runways.

NIGHT RATING

By the time this Airscoop is published, legal dark will be 19:03! With the gradual shortening of our days, legal dark is moving earlier and earlier. 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! If you don't have a favourite instructor, we will find one for you!

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GROUND SCHOOL STARTS

A new cycle of Private and Recreational Pilot Ground School began on Monday, Sept. 12. With a large enrollment, it is now meeting every Monday and Wednesday, as well as on Tuesday and Thursday. Anyone interested could start on the following new topic dates:

October 10, 11 - Meteorology and Navigation
November 14 - Theory of Flight and Air Regulations
January 9 - Meteorology and Navigation

The next new cycle of ground school after Sept. will begin on Monday, November 14.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

After a very wet spring, mother nature has given us a break with great summer and fall weather. The season has not been without some challenges however. Runway closures for resurfacing have been going on all summer, and continue into the fall. We all may have found ourselves getting more crosswind practice than we'd hoped for! Through it all, our

Instructors did a great job of keeping the training going whenever possible, and they are to be commended for their great work.

I'm sure that many of you may have noticed, but a strong Canadian dollar and good aircraft prices in the U.S. have allowed the Regina Flying Club to rejuvenate the fleet over the last while, in some cases replacing aircraft with quite high airframe hours with similar aircraft with much fewer hours. Even now, we are awaiting the import procedures to be complete on a very nice Cessna 172. Good job to Tom and his staff in sniffing out these great deals, and keeping our fleet looking sharp.

Warm evenings, with an early sunsets, invite pilots to keep their night flying skills up to date, or pursue a night rating with one of our Instructors. Flying at night truly is a pleasure, and through the darker months of the year a night rating opens up a world of options for some very pleasant cross country flying.

It has been nice to see more RFC aircraft showing up at some of the fly-ins held around Regina. Three aircraft from Regina attended the breakfast in Lemberg, the pilots trying their hand at the 2000 foot grass strip and all doing very well at it too! Just last weekend, there were some familiar faces in Assiniboia, where a fly-in lunch was served with proceeds going to their local air cadet squadron. Catch up with us on the Regina Flying Club group on Facebook, or watch the bulletin board in the classroom at the club.

The Regina Flying Club is privileged to be able to train so many up and coming commercial pilots as part of the SIAST program. Many of the students who were flying with us throughout the summer are back in classes in Saskatoon, and on behalf of the club I want to wish them well in the upcoming semester. Some will be coming back to fly with us more, and some will be moving on to their careers in Aviation, but I wish them all the best.

Fly safe, bring a friend along, and keep our aviation community growing!

Keith Bjorndahl
President - Regina Flying Club
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STAFF CHANGES

On the instructional side, we will have one change soon. Jennifer Beaver will be leaving the end of October to be a first officer for Sask. Air Ambulance. Good luck, Jennifer. On the ramp, we have had several changes recently. Josh Patterson, Francois Vermeullen and Darryl Saldanha have left to go back to school at SIAST for the fall semester. Brett Bobowski has been accepted into pilot training with the military. After basic training, he was to begin university at the military college in Kingston. We won't be needing a ramp attendant in the evenings from now on but replacing the day positions are Ryan Aspelitier and Alexey Klimov. Ryan is a Private student in training and Alexey is a Commercial student in training. Thanks to Brett, Josh, Francois and Darryl! Good luck at SIAST and at Kingston.

RFC POLICY REMINDER

This policy has been in place for 4 ½ years and needs to be reviewed occasionally by Students, Staff and Renter Pilots:

Any time while in an aircraft on the ground or in the air, after receiving a special instruction or clearance, other than the standard "hold short of the runway" taxi clearance, the person speaking on the radio will:

1. Repeat the instruction or clearance to the ground or air controller

2. After releasing the push-to-talk, repeat the instruction or clearance over the intercom between the pilots
3. Repeat the instruction or clearance again on final if in the air
4. Repeat the instruction or clearance again as you approach the holding point if on the ground

Instructors will train the solo students and solo licensed pilots to do the following:

1. Repeat the instruction or clearance to the ground or air controller
2. After releasing the push-to-talk, repeat the instruction or clearance once more
3. Repeat the instruction or clearance again on final if in the air
4. Repeat the instruction or clearance again as you approach the holding point if on the ground

PILOT ACCOMPLISHMENTS SINCE LAST AIRSCOOP

FIRST SOLO

Ray Chapman
Dave Fowler
Jeff Holt
Will McArthur

PRIVATE LICENSE

Mitch Dougall
Andrea Gill
Diane Ruiz-Vargas
Reagan Schroeder

NIGHT RATING

Shane Lanouette
Reagan Schroeder

MULTI RATING

Andrew MacCorquodale
Darryl Saldanha

COMMERCIAL LICENSE

Brett Bobowski
Josh Patterson

PILOT ACCOMPLISHMENTS (cont'd)

MULTI IFR INITIAL

Gordon Penny

SINGLE IFR RENEWAL

Graham Warner

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

FIRST SOLO PICTURES



FIRST SOLO!!!
Sept. 12, 2011

Ray Chapman
Instr: J. Phillips

FIRST SOLO PICTURES (cont'd)



FIRST SOLO!!!
Aug. 28, 2011

Dave Fowler
Instr: J. Phillips



FIRST SOLO!!!
Sept. 23, 2011

Jeff Holt
Instr: J. Phillips



FIRST SOLO!!!
Aug. 27, 2011

Will McArthur
Instr: M. Meehan