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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 15

Fabric covering workshop

April 21

5 Project tour planned. **Note: Regular meeting has been moved to Saturday April 21.**

May 17

Tire Kick – Summer Plans – Lyncrest Airport

Fabric covering workshop – 15 March

A fabric recovering workshop was held in the RAA Final Assembly Workshop on March 15. Approximately 15 participants watched while Gilbert Bourrier, Harry Riege and Jill Oakes demonstrated the construction of a sample rib and covered it with fabric. The rib was ironed to shrink the fabric to as tight as a drum. Gilbert demonstrated the proper mixing and application of dope to the ribs. All this done under the expert eyes of Henry Riege who has been offering expert advice on the restoration of the Tiger Moth wings.



Gilbert demonstrating the rib construction to Steven Smart and Steven Sadler



Jill Oakes and Ben Toenders trimming the fabric on the rib



Gilbert demonstrating the mixing of the doping material while Harry Riege provides tips and shortcuts from his years of experience. Note the square box in front of Harry Riege, by the end of the evening, 250lbs men were able to stand on this frame without breaking the fabric

If you are interested in seeing some of the tips Harry Riege shared at the workshop, check out the following website. <http://tigermothrestoration.blogspot.com/>

Passenger – Learn to Land Course



The RAA and SFC co-hosted the first "Learn to Land" course for passengers with Harv's Air. It was attended by 32 participants - including Lyncrest Neighbours, Partners, Girl/Boyfriends, Wives/Husbands, Parents-Children, and Youth. Aaron Doherty, Chief Flight Instructor from Harv's Air has taught over 10,000 students and had everyone spell bound as he slowly unveiled the magic of flying.

If you know of someone who would love to take advantage of this amazing opportunity to attend ground school (class on how to fly held on the ground) for *Free*, join us next Friday April 20th from 6:00 - 9:00 at the Lyncrest Airport Flight Centre community club, 57119 Murdock Rd (1 km north of Tinker Town on Hwy #1). Just drop in and feel free to bring a friend as there's room for 80 people!

In-Flight Training begins April 21st - if you're interested send Jill Oakes an email for the details. Or, if you'd rather learn to fly with both feet on the ground, email to book time on the simulator - no charge! jill_oakes@UManitoba.ca

RAA Regular meeting 5 Project Tour – Saturday April 21, 2012

This month we have planned five projects tours that are all in the Stonewall area. Five projects tours are too many for one night so regular meeting will be held Saturday, April 21.

The tour will begin at the Tim Horton's at the NE corner of Hwy 67 and PR 236 on the east side of Stonewall. Take the Perimeter around to the North side of Winnipeg and head north on Hwy #7 about 10 miles past Stony Mountain and turn west for three miles on Hwy #67. Tim's is beside the Esso gas station just before PR #236.

We will plan to rendezvous between 0930 and 0945 and split into suitable sized groups to head out to see some very interesting projects. The idea is to visit each location in turn for about 20 minutes and then head for the next location in sequence.

Detail maps will be available on Saturday morning at Tim's. If this doesn't work for you, please let Bob Stewart know at stewart8@highspeedcrow.ca or phone 853-7776 and I will e-mail a map to you.

The five projects that we will be visiting are:

1. **Larry & Carol Brown** - 7080E Road 81 N, NE of Stonewall

Larry is building a classic Pietenpol with a genuine antique Ford Model A engine. He also specializes in building Piper Cub wing ribs and can demo the two styles he has made.

To reach 7080E, Road 81 N from Stonewall, leave Tim's and take PR #236 north for 4 miles and then turn right to head east on road 81N for 1 ½ miles. Larry's driveway is on the north (left side) of Road 81N. Look for a pond with his house behind it and then his shop/hangar behind that.

For those able to fly in, Larry has a very nice 2300 ft strip oriented roughly 29-11 just north of his shop. He's at N50 11.9 and W 97 17.3 for those with GPS. If you are flying in, Larry can make some wheels available to you to reach the rest of the tour.

2. **George and Jane Hamilton** - 161 - 1st Street W in Stonewall

George is working on a Bearhawk and you will see some first-class welding on his project and also some of the ingenious jigs he has created for the detail parts of this aircraft.

To reach 161 1st St, continue west from Tim's on Hwy 67 (which becomes 2nd Ave N) past the school on your right and straight ahead after the stop sign at Main Street. Take the next right turn onto 1 St W and continue almost to the end. # 161 is on the left or west side of the street.

3. **Shaun and Tracy Berg** - #55 Oak Lane - SE of Stonewall

Shaun is working on a Steen Skybolt project and has produced some impressive wood work. One previous visitor has said "Best woodworking you'll ever see!"

Head south from Tim's past the Coop gas station and take the next left (east) on Winfield Road, (aka Road 76 N), head east about 2.3 miles and then turn south on Ridge Road, turn left onto Oak Lane after about 300 yards, #55 will be the second driveway on the left in the woods.

4. **Gary and Lucy Long** - 7130E on Road 75N - SE from Stonewall

Gary is working on a very unique project, a magnificent scaled down Spitfire with a Jaguar V12 engine conversion. He has quite a nice shop too!

From Tim's, head south for two miles and then turn left (east) on Road 75 N (also marked as Rockwood Road). Continue east about 1 ¾ miles and look for a grey bungalow on the north side of the road just before the treed area.

5. **Harvey McKinnon** - 53 Olive Street, Stony Mountain

Harvey has an RV-8 in the finishing stages and hopes to fly this summer.

From Tim's take Hwy 67 east back to Hwy #7 and then go south to Quarry Road, the first turn into the Village of Stony Mountain from the highway. Take the first right on to Old Highway 7 and then turn left onto Memorial Boulevard. Take Memorial Boulevard east, up the hill past Main Street. Olive Street is the third street after Main Street, turn left and 53 will be on the right after a few

Arro Award



This year's winner of the Aero Award is Gilbert Bourrier. Whether tirelessly working for the RAA or the Springfield Flying Club, Gilbert is one of the mainstays of both of these organization. Gilbert was unavailable at our regular meeting in October so Jim Oke (on the left) presented the award to Gilbert at our regular meeting on March 15. Congratulations Gilbert.

Aviation Podcasts – Steven Smart

If you're like me and you have a bit of a drive to do each day, you have a couple of options to make the time pass: sing; eat, do your makeup or make cell phone calls (both now illegal....); or you can listen to the radio, music, audio books or the latest technological advancement- podcasts.

Now anyone who has heard me sing knows that this is not going to be a productive option, the same too for applying makeup (me and makeup is similar to the saying about "trying to make a silk purse out of a sows ear") I can probably also survive for several days without eating so ½ and hour without food is not a real hardship.

Radio and music I very much enjoy but recently I've also discovered the joy of audio books and podcasts.

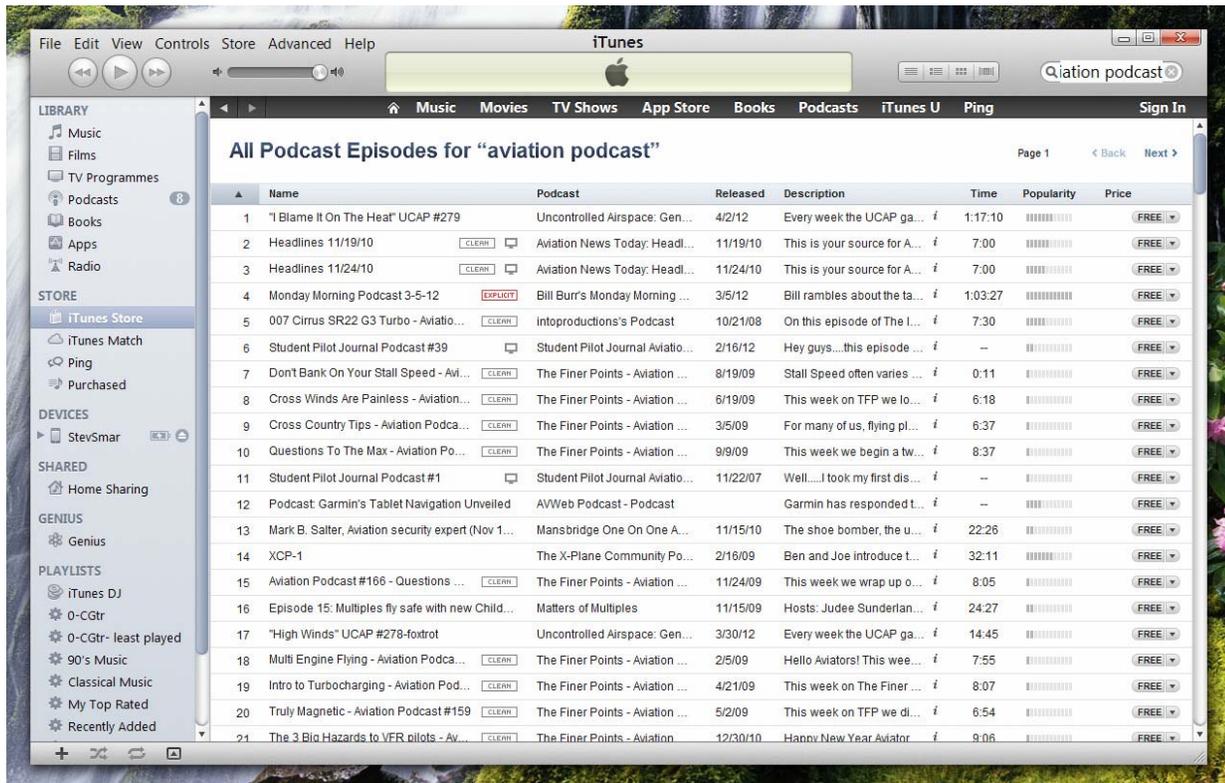
A word of warning about audio books- you are after all driving a vehicle so you can't get so engrossed in the latest Harlequin novel that you forget about the traffic- when you approach an intersection you need to forget about the heroine quivering in the arms of the hero and concentrate on the traffic. If you're tired you probably shouldn't be listening to an audio book either.....they're just a little too much distraction, especially Harlequin.

Podcasts are a somewhat recent phenomena that have really taken off in the last 5 or so years. So what exactly is a podcast? If you're a regular listener to say CBC radio and you have favorite programs then you already know what the answer is- Podcast are serialized "internet radio" shows with the big advantage that you can listen to them when you want, not when they are playing on the radio. (Of course any CBC radio program is generally also downloadable as a podcast- thank you CBC).

Because Podcasts are downloadable "internet radio" shows your Podcast experience will likely be tied to using either a computer, cell-phone with internet access, iPod/Pad or android tablet.

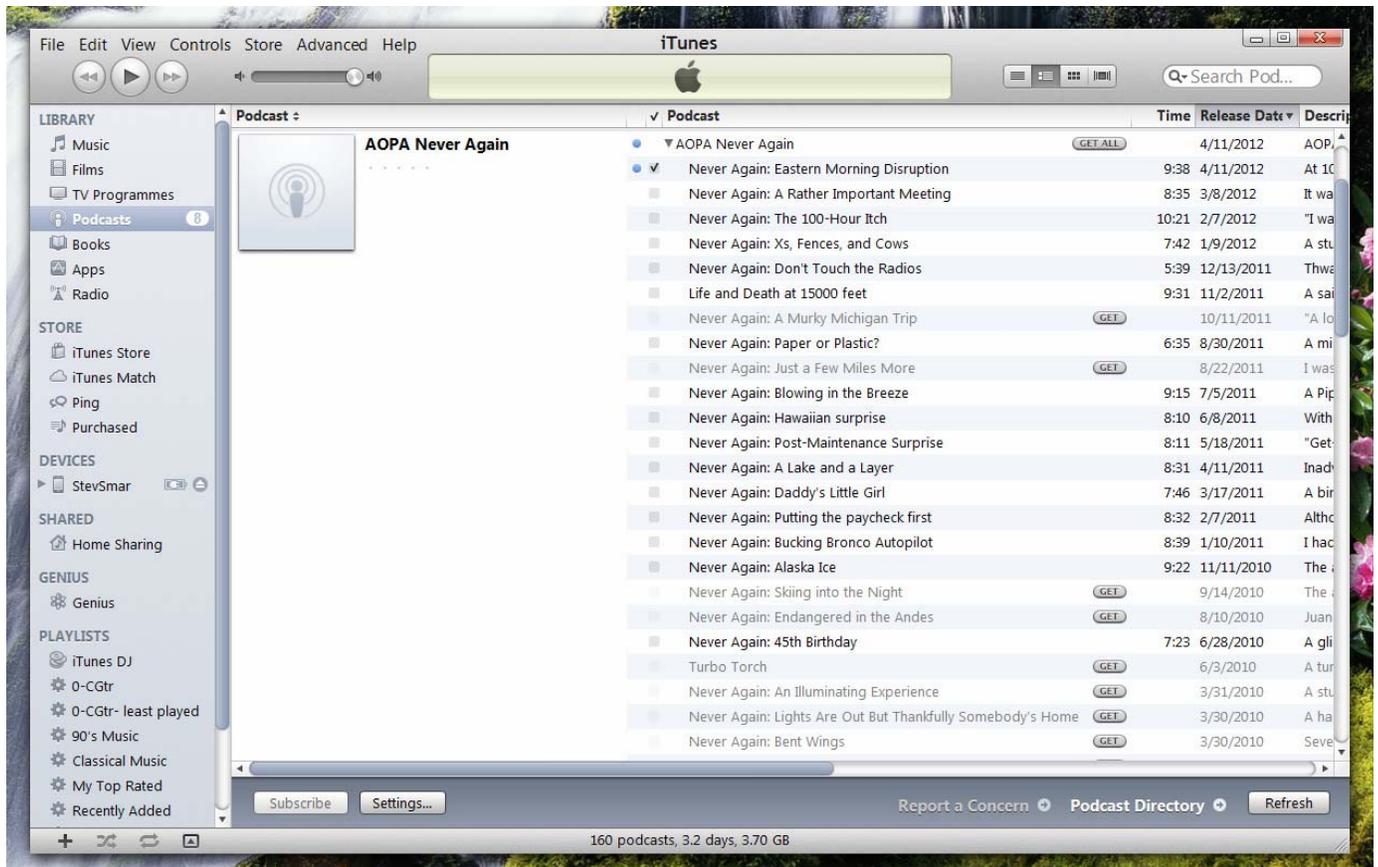
Although you can manually download each Podcast, by far the easiest way to do it is to use a service which downloads new podcasts automatically and then loads them on your iPod/Pad or android tablet. I don't have any experience doing this with an android platform, but I've been told that it's just as easy as going the fruity computer (apple) route.

My Podcast experience usually begins with starting up Apple's iTunes on my computer, iTunes then automatically downloads new episodes of the Podcasts that I have subscribed to. Hitting the sync (synchronize) button tells iTunes to automatically delete the Podcasts that I have listened to off my iPod and replaces them with brand spanking new ones. Subscribing to new podcasts is almost as easy. Within iTunes you go to the iTunes store and type in "aviation" "podcast" to the and you will be presented with more free podcasts to listen to than you will have time to listen to. When I did this while typing this article, iTunes told me that there were over 50 items which matched my search terms.



Now I have a confession to make- after going through a bit of a Podcast binge I recently had to unsubscribe from a whole lot of them as part of my 12 step program. The only aviation podcast that I now listen to is the "AOPA never again" series- a nice short Podcast that I can listen to two or three episodes of in the drive to work.

Below is what my iTunes window looks like for the "AOPA never again" podcast. The blue dot indicates the podcast is new and ready to be listened to. The "get" means that I have never listened to this episode and I could "get" it if I wanted to- I never do that since I'm having enough trouble keeping up with all the Podcasts I subscribe to as it is.



You'll need to do a bit of a hunt around within iTunes to find Aviation Podcasts that suit your taste. Or to find Aviation Podcasts that aren't out of date and no longer being updated. A good indicator is how regularly updated they are.

Good luck finding Aviation or other Podcasts. A bit of hunting around will yield a wealth of information, and you can arrive at your destination having productively used your commuting time. Pity you still have to find time to get your makeup done- if that's part of your daily ablutions.

Just a little Humour

- Borrow money from a pessimist – they don't expect it back.
- No one is listening until you make a mistake.
- Consciousness: That annoying time between naps.

2012 Membership Form

Winnipeg Area Chapter RAA

Full (\$25.00)

Required Information

Name		OFFICE USE ONLY
Mailing Address		Renewal Date
Phone(s)		Chq. Cash Other
E-mail		Initials
Are you an RAA national member? ⁽¹⁾	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Do you give permission for your information to be made available to other Winnipeg RAA members?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Optional Information

Do you own an aircraft?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Make/model: Registration:	Are you a member of other aviation groups?	EAA: <input type="checkbox"/> COPA: <input type="checkbox"/> Others:
Are you building or restoring an aircraft?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Make and model of project(s):	What Pilots licences and ratings do you hold?	

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