



Winnipeg Area Chapter of RAA Canada

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 28, 2014	"Rust Remover" – Please note that this will be considered our January meeting
February 21, 2014	Still up in the air
March 21, 2014	Still up in the air
April 18, 2014	Still up in the air
May16, 2014	Still up in the air

Annual RAA sponsored Pot Luck dinner

The eleventh annual potluck dinner was held Saturday December 7th. at the Lyncrest Flight Centre. Over 40 people braved the -30C temperature to attend this function. There was a wide variety of dishes and an evening of fun for everyone.

Larry Brown presentation – Thursday November 21, 7:30

Thanks to Larry for his presentation on November 21, 2013 about the Stearman by-plane he was flying at the Brandon Airport when there was a major malfunction of the propeller which caused the engine to separate from the aircraft. This was an amazing story.

Santa visits Lyncrest Airport



Children watched in awe from a distance and then slowly came forward to sit on Santa's knee. They asked Santa questions about what it was like living at the North Pole, what his reindeer were doing to get ready for the Christmas Eve, and how Mrs. Claus was!

Building a Plane in Your Garage



Recreational Aircraft Association President Jim Oke honouring Gerard Devloo with an award at Lyncrest Airport Photo credit Jill Oakes



Gerard Devloo's aircraft under construction at his farm near Somerset Mb. Photo credit Barb Devloo

Beginning by designing and building a model aircraft, Gerard Devloo developed a fascination for creating a full sized aircraft he could then fly. Two years ago, Gerry purchased an aircraft kit for a two-seater CH750 with a Rotax engine. He started building the tail surfaces and as he progressed, he built specialty tools as required. Within a year he had the entire plane finished and was ready for the test flight. There was only one problem, Gerry didn't have a pilot's licence, so Ron Loewen,

an experienced pilot from the Morden area, did the flight tests while Gerry learned how to fly in Mountain City Flight School's Cessna 172. Last week, the Recreational Aircraft Association, a national organization that supports aircraft builders, recognized Gerard Devloo's accomplishment with an award; Gerry's aircraft was the only kit-plane completed this year in all of Manitoba.

Annual "Rust Remover" January 28, 2014, 7pm

COPA, Springfield Flying Club, RAA, MAC 2014 Rust Remover. ANAF Veterans Hall 3584 Portage Ave (same place as last year) at 7pm. Mr. Peter Hildebrand from TSB and Mr. Terry Ferguson from NavCanada have confirmed their respective participation in the January 28th Rust Remover. TSB will address aircraft accidents as it relates to Personal and GA Aviation safety and NavCanada agreed to once again review the Winnipeg Airspace but more specifically address ATC communication and ATC procedures. This seminar will qualify for your biennial recency requirement for your pilot license. Admission is \$5. There will also be door prizes as well as the usual draw for cases of oil.

Winter Survival and Igloo Construction Workshop



A few spots are left for Feb 1-2 or Feb 8-9 winter survival and igloo construction workshop. Register by emailing jill.oakes@ad.umanitoba.ca Cost is \$150 per person, student and family rates are also available. Learn Inuit methods of thriving in winter: igloo construction, clothing, food, health, are a few of the topics covered. Participants also get an opportunity to try out their signalling systems (mirror/flag/fire/etc) with CASARA aircraft conducting a mock search overhead. Meals are potluck style. Participants have option of staying overnight in the igloos.

C150 Donated to RAA for Women Pilots

Less than 6% of commercial and recreational pilots are women in 2013! In Winnipeg, local pilots, aircraft associations and businesses have taken an important step forward in making a difference. 740 women were introduced to flying in March 30, 2013. Women were offered free 5-day ground school on May 15, 2013 and several women became EAA Eagles in June. Now 10 women have either completed or about to complete their Private Pilots Licence this Fall, and eight women have become members of the Winnipeg Area Chapter of the RAA and RAA-Canada!

In mid-September, Bill Vandenberg donated his C150, C-FLUG, with help from Jill and Rick Riewe, to the Winnipeg Area Chapter of the RAA for women pilots to:

1. build hours and stay current in an affordable manner;
2. learn basic maintenance skills that aircraft owners are allowed to practise; and
3. develop social connections with aviation associations.

Research indicates that these three ingredients are essential for many women pilots to thrive in the aviation community.

Affordable Flying

To provide affordable flying, C-FLUG is available to women pilots' who are current on a C152. C-FLUG is available for \$20/hour plus fuel. C-FLUG has her own identity and as a corporate COPA Member, she is insured through Magnes' Gold Wing program. Many women know their work schedules only a few days in advance, therefore the C-FLUG pilots are establishing a system that will support those individuals, who are also often the primary care giver for children or seniors in the family.

Donna Prowse (Air Canada Pilot) is C-FLUG's Chief Pilot and Check-out Pilot, Murray Bryson (Air Canada) and Frank Thomas (West Jet) are also helping as Check Out Pilots. Each of these Check-out Pilots have been incredibly generous, making themselves readily available and sharing their years of experience in a most supportive manner. Ed Ulrich has set up an online booking system for C-FLUG and has volunteered to administer the site.

Participate in Basic Maintenance

Jim Aitken, licensed AME, volunteered to be C-FLUG's AME; Jim spent a solid month inspecting, replacing and repairing each of C-FLUG's operating systems. Women pilots participated in the frequent 'work parties'. Jim frequently stopped to answer questions, explain systems, and included the 'helpers' any chance he could. For the first time these women pilots learn by seeing a variety of parts and participating whenever feasible, including:

1. the ribs and spars when the wing tips were removed for inspection;
2. the engine compartment when the cowling was removed, and they learned how to reinstall it;
3. inside every inspection cover;
4. how every grease nipple, bearing, and hinge was lubricated and worked; and
5. how to bleed the brake lines.

Goulet Aircraft Supply, Air Parts, Keystone, and ICOM, as well as local well established pilots, RAA members, including Gary Smith (transponder), George Gavrailoff (radio), Art Tendies (avionics), Bill Dawson, Bill Gibson, Victor Préfontaine, Larry Brown, Bert Elam, Steve Sadler, Derek Wrigley, Jim Gould, Adrian Meilleur, Bob Russell, Mike Gauthier, Frank Thomas, Harold Kroeker, Rick Riewe, and about 20 other helpers provided thousands of dollars of certified parts and expertise!

Social Networking

To provide an extensive social support system for C-FLUG pilots, each pilot is a member of the local and national RAA, 99s, and Springfield Flying Club. The RAA provides C-FLUG with space in our heated hangar and will provide quarterly seminars; the first will be on winter flying. C-FLUG pilots have just joined the 99s and they are already finding the opportunity to chat with other women pilots from all over the USA really useful. In the event that C-FLUG is sold, the sale is given to the Winnipeg Foundation for the Local 99s Scholarship Fund. As members of the Springfield Flying Club, C-FLUG pilots are able to purchase fuel at discounted member prices and be based at Lyncrest Airport where we have the support of about 100 other well established pilots.



Jim Aitken, licenced AME, volunteered to be C-Flug's AME, with Joseph Martin, Harold Kroeker



Amy Johnson learning how to adjust C-FLUG's

This support is critical to the success of this one-of-a-kind initiative, thank you! In the last week, C-FLUG pilots have now flown about 20 hours and soon we will have our first "Girls Only" Oil Change Work Party, where C-FLUG pilots will have an opportunity to drain the oil, cut open and inspect the oil filter, reassemble, and do a test run-up to check for leaks. Check for updated photos at www://C-FLUG.blogspot.com/ and feel free to add your welcoming comments to these new RAA-Local and RAA-Canada members. No doubt, after looking after C-FLUG for a while, some of these pilots will be looking for a plane of their own to design, build or buy.



Removing C-FLUG's cowling



Melody Hiebert helped inspect inside the wings

Justin Tessier – Latest Young Eagles pilot



On October 06, 2013, Justin Tessier celebrated his 14th birthday and soloed in a C152 at St. Andrew's Airport. He went solo in just under 12 hours of flight time. Justin's first flight experience had been with the Young Eagles and had gone flying with Jill Oakes in her Land Africa. He was so enthralled with flying that Jill took him flying several times after his Young Eagles experience. At the age of 8, his parents gave him a flight simulator computer and he has been hooked on aviation ever since. His dream is to fly fighters in the Canadian Armed Forces. Justin, his brother Tyler and his father went to Oshkosh this year for AirVenture. What an incredible experience. Justin is now in his third year of Air Cadets and is doing well.

Justin operates his own fresh squeezed lemonade, cotton candy and popcorn concession during the summer, the proceeds from which he used to pay for his lessons."

THOUGHTS

- Where there's a will, I want to be in it.
- The last thing I want to do is hurt you, but it's still on my list.
- If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.

2014 Membership Form
Winnipeg Area Chapter RAA
 Full \$25

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?	

RAA Winnipeg contributes \$15 per member towards the insurance program maintained by RAA national. This program provides liability insurance to cover local chapter events.

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1) Notes: The \$15 does not provide membership in RAAC.