



Norm Vienneau's Lil Buzzard

Red Deer Flying Club

February 2010 Newsletter

Please mark your calendar or Blackberry:

The February 2010 meeting of the Flying Club will be held on February 15, the third Monday of the month, at 7:30 PM at the Club House. The program for the evening will be a selection of pictures taken by John Radomsky from his collection of trips in the North West Territories and Alaska. If John is not able to attend we will have Norm Vienneau's Powerpoint presentation on Oshkosh 2009. So come and bring a friend.

We are still hoping to hold a short Poker Rally just for fun. It will be to local airports and end with a wiener roast back at RDFC. As soon as the weather cooperates, (maybe this Sunday) we will let you know by internet or phone that the flight is on. If it is only two planes, those involved will have just as much fun as if it was 15. However, we hope more than two will turn out.

How many people are prepared to help with the Rust Remover/Pancake Breakfast on May 1? May Day, May Day, May Day! If we don't get enough helpers we may have to cancel.

BIRD STRIKES An interesting article in the January issue of the Grumman magazine: Gary Trippensee talks about how to avoid bird strikes. He states, "I have observed that the bird's main defensive maneuver is to roll over (Split S) and dive to get out of the way. I have never observed a bird trying to climb out of danger from an aircraft". This observation sparked a lively debate at the executive meeting. Some members disagreed. I have checked with two flight instructors and there isn't much agreement other than the best thing to do is probably nothing because you may zig just when they zag. Something to think about!

Remember to look at our web site.
www.reddeerflyingclub.org Send pictures of your plane to Norm or Bert

***** For the February 15 meeting we will try a "swap shop night" where everybody brings something that they would like to sell or give away. Doesn't have to be aviation related, but no spouses!

Watch for the new RDFC Logo. It will appear soon!

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