



Wes & Merta "mixing it up"

Red Deer Flying Club COPA Flight 92

May, 2010 Newsletter

Please mark your calendar or Blackberry:

The May 2010 meeting of the Flying Club will be held on May 17, the third Monday of the month, at 7:30 PM at the Club House. The program for the evening will be your choice of two videos: How To Crash an Airplane and Survive or Big Rocks and Long Props. So be sure to attend and bring a friend.

The Fly-In / Drive-In breakfast and rust remover held on May 2 was a great success. We had at least 31 airplanes fly in and we served meals to about 150 people. We were fortunate to have the only good day for weather, sandwiched in between snow storms and high winds. The rust remover sessions were excellent.

A big THANK YOU goes out to Bob Orr from the FSS, to Bram Tilroe from Alberta Aviation, and a very special big thanks to John Mulder who rallied to our assistance when John Pearson, accident investigator, had to cancel due to the accident at Springbank. It's a president's worst nightmare to lose a speaker just hours before the session. We sincerely hope the young fellow in the accident at Springbank will make a full recovery.

We sincerely want to thank all of our members who turned out and helped with the Fly-In. We had more people actively helping this year than we have had for several years. It made the day a lot easier for everyone.

It sounds as if next year's event may be quite different. We will be working with Alberta Aviation. They will be doing most of the program. It may even be a two-day affair with a variety of sessions even held in the city - much like the "Get Set" seminars that we had a few years ago - maybe even involving a trade show. It may be that we will do a Fly-In breakfast and they will take it from there. The whole thing is still in the planning stage.

A big congratulation to Randy Engler who just received his pilot's licence. We look forward to seeing him out there beating up the sky "converting gasoline into noise and fun" as Gary Hillman says. Hopefully he will be able to go on the next little fly-out with us.

Since the Saturday following our regular meeting is in the Victoria Day week-end and since there is a Fly-In breakfast almost every Sunday in May, we will not have a specific fly-out in May.

We are planning to have our June Barbecue on Friday, June the 25th. At the same event, John Radomsky will do a mountain flying briefing for those who wish to go on the June Fly-out to Ram River Falls the following day, June 26, weather permitting.

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