

The Windsack



Stanley Sport Aviation Association Newsletter

June 2021

CONTACTS:

STANLEY SPORT
AVIATION ASSOCIATION

Unit 16 - 50 Airport
Road, Stanley, NS

B0N 2A0

CCW4 - N45 06 02 W63
55 14 Unicom 122.8

Ph. (902) 632-2251

Stanley Weather Station:

[https://](https://www.wunderground.com/dashboard/pws/ISTANL4)

[www.wunderground.co
m/dashboard/pws/](https://www.wunderground.com/dashboard/pws/ISTANL4)

[ISTANL4](https://www.wunderground.com/dashboard/pws/ISTANL4)

Web Site:

[http://](http://www.stanleysportaviati.on.ns.ca/)

[www.stanleysportaviati
on.ns.ca/](http://www.stanleysportaviati.on.ns.ca/)

Cover photo by TOM
SABEAN, taken from
his Searey



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

There was a late start this year to our summer flying season due to the lock down. As soon as it was lifted, there were people on the field mowing and getting things in order.

There is not much to report due to the lack of activity on the field but the Directors have been busy behind the scenes with routine business and planning events just in case things open up. I've been working with Jim Ward on Airport maintenance issues. I've had materials delivered to Stanley to build 36 more runway markers to replace the old ones that have been there for many years and weren't made from pressure-treated wood.

I have paint for the existing and new markers. I will build the markers, but I need painters to refurbish the existing markers and paint the new ones. The wood is still wet so I am going to put off painting the new ones until mid to late summer.

There is a new window to replace the one in the shower room. There is a new door to replace the one in the Bunk room. My son Paul offered to install them and I will assist. He knows how to do it properly and I don't.

Our members are doing a great job of keeping the main gate closed. I haven't seen any sightseers inside the gate this spring. – Kevin Layden

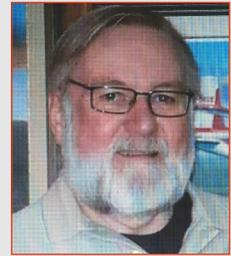


Kevin Layden



Vice-President's Report

SSSA's 50th Fly-In 2021



Brian Chappell

Fly-In Chair

Well, we would like to think this will be on Labour Day weekend this year, but it is all very uncertain right now. We are making tentative arrangements with the food truck and the Friday evening music, along with a few other things that require advance notice, but at some point we'll need to make a 'Go/No Go' decision. If it looks like a "GO" in time, it will take a lot of fast work by most of us to pull this together in time.

We had thought about our 50th being some sort of a big "blow-out," but at this point having a fly-in like most we've had over the years looks pretty darn good. Mike Whitehead has been working on the "Dambusters Memorial." Having that with our 50th would ensure very good attendance for both events.



More later as COVID does its thing, which we hope is to go away quickly, but we'll see!

Meanwhile, I guess if you live long enough these things come along. I received this recently along with a very nice COPA 50th lapel pin with the old original COPA logo, one of the last ones left.

I never liked the new COPA logo, it didn't depict a flyer, no wings, just three boomerangs, but now I see they have added a semblance of wings; that's better.

I guess I've still got a couple friends in the COPA office in Ottawa, my lapel pin was the last one they could find in the office. I thank them much for the effort. I've given out a few of these 50-year certificates and pins over the years, including to Ron Seeley, John Smith and a couple others, but I never really thought of getting one myself.



Airport Director's Report

We were late starting with airport maintenance this year due to COVID-19 restrictions. Nova Scotia has now opened enough to allow us to get together in small groups. At this time, I am not planning a full open work weekend.



Jim Ward

Some have already started with the usual tasks like mowing, signage, etc. The letters and runways have also been mowed as has most of the infield. Material for some projects has been picked up and some items are on order.

The big mower is down at the moment awaiting some tire replacements. I would ask that the smaller mowers be used for mowing around the hangers, fuel pump and trailers to a distance of about 10 or 20 feet. The big mower should be able to handle the bulk of the mowing. This will save wearing out the smaller units.

The field is now fully dry and hard and there should be no issues with getting stuck. We have purchased a 10 L gas jug for the whipper snipper. The mixing instructions are on the jug for a 50:1 mix. If in doubt, please ask before mixing gas and oil. The 1 L pre-mixed cans were costing \$10.00 each. While they are convenient, the cost outweighs the benefit. Please use this unit around the hangers and clubhouse whenever you have a few extra minutes. If everyone takes a turn, we can easily keep our airport looking great. Maybe we will have some visitors soon.



Fuel Director's Report

I'm pleased to come on board as SSAA's new fuel director. Many thanks to my predecessor, Leonard Lowe, for his considerable dedication to the task in the past.

We recently had 6,000 litres of fuel delivered to the airport. While the cost of the fuel to Stanley has increased by 22 cents a litre since the last delivery in September 2020, the cheaper fuel that was remaining in the tank blended the cost of this delivery down to allow members' pricing to remain at \$1.80/litre.



Nick Wilson



News and Views

SSAA Donation from PEI

SSAA received a donation from PEI back in February. I was going to present it to our treasurer at the AGM on behalf of Brian Pound, but as SSAA members will know an AGM with the full membership didn't happen this year because of COVID.

Brian and a few others bought 50/50 tickets for a fundraiser for the Atlantic Air Show (AAS) in Brian's name. They won over \$7,000. The other ticket investors got 10 times their investment and Brian decided to donate the rest.

Brian donated \$1,000 back to the AAS, and, in his words, "Since this was a NS Raffle, I felt some of the funds should be spread around to the Nova Scotia Flying Clubs who have hosted Fly-In Breakfast and BBQ events in 2020. Therefore to the four clubs that I flew to this past year, during difficult times, it is hoped that this small donation will assist them with their events for 2021. They are Truro, Stanley, Greenwood and South Shore with the balance going to PEI Flying Association." We thank Brian for the donation to SSAA.

BTW. the PEIFA are planning a BBQ fly-ins at CYG for June 26th, July 31st and Aug 28th. They also hope to have a Poker Rally around PEI and NS on Aug 28th as well – stay tuned.

- Submitted by Brian Chappell.

South Shore Regional Airport earmarked for new fuel system

In her budget address, April 28th, 2021, Region of Queens Municipality Mayor Darlene Norman announced approval of an above-ground fuel system for the South Shore Regional Airport in Greenfield.

"After a 13-year pause without fuel at South Shore Regional Airport, a new above ground fuel system will be installed later this year at a total cost of approximately \$50,000," said the mayor.

The South Shore Flying Club (SSFC) will be assisting financially with the 'installation' of the fuel system.

The SSFC has been working toward this goal for several years, and the board reported on the club's Facebook page that it's "extremely pleased that Council has arrived at this decision."





Flying Fraternity

Welcome aboard to SSAA's new members:

Josh and Sarah Dykens!

Josh and Sarah Dykens come to the Stanley family as the new owners of SSAA members Gary and Debby Murley's 1964 Cessna 174E, along with their hangar at the airport. The aircraft is their "first and only," according to Josh.



"I got really lucky. It was already located in Stanley, and with COVID restrictions travelling outside the Atlantic region would be difficult. I had called Brian Chappell about joining the club, and asked if he knew of any aircraft that may be available to buy," Josh recalled to *The Windsock*. And the rest, as they say, is history.

Josh likes the "simplicity of the aircraft ...Venturi vacuum system, manual flaps and analogue gauges."



He got his PPL in 2019. "I always enjoyed flying and I have wanted to get my pilot's licence for as long as I can remember. I had seriously considered pursuing it as a career in high school, and even got to ride jump seat with my next door neighbor who was an airline captain as part of a job shadowing project. (pre 9/11)," he reported. In 2018 a good friend and he were talking about it and decided to both start training together. He is a partner on the plane and hopes to use it to complete his training in the future, according to Josh.

Josh and Sarah live in Windsor. He's a project manager for DORA Construction and Sarah is an LPN at Hants Community Hospital. So far, Josh has only flown in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, but he hopes "to do some longer trips in the future."

For Sale



- Sigtronics headset, \$75.00,
- Murphy Aircraft headset, \$75.00,
- Push to talk switch, \$10.00,
- Bendix/King KX 99 aviation hand set, \$275.00.

Contact: Bruce Atwell, P. Eng. bruceatwell495@gmail.com, or by cell at: 902-791-0925

Flying Fraternity

What does Kevin Layden do over winter months with COVID restrictions in place?

Well he keeps his hands and talents busy.

Kevin had built a wood model of his KR-2 a couple years ago, but not to scale. He also built a guitar for his son a few years ago. So this past winter he decided to build a model of “The Best Airplane Ever Built,” (not my words but the title of a *Plane & Pilot* magazine article a few years ago).

Kevin had Paul select a good clean piece of 2 X 6, no knots, to start with. You can see in the pictures what the result was of his many, many hours of shaping, sanding and painting. He used dowel stock to create the prop, which spins freely BTW, and the prop spinner.

The painting was a painstaking process, especially the ident letters. The letters from Kevin’s plane were much simpler, FKEV, all straight line letters, not so with GRUB, all rounded.

Kevin can explain the process of creating all the rounded areas and painting them. The process took many, many hours, then more hours!

Kevin did all this to a very close scale just from about three or four pictures he found on the Stanley website. As you can see with the picture of the real thing here, it’s very, very close.



Kevin and Lynda visited one evening earlier this spring (when we could do that). He had a box that he was carrying very carefully. When he revealed the content, it blew me away — what a thing to do!

I’m very pleased to have this. The picture of Kevin presenting gives an idea of the size of this model.

—Brian Chappell.



For Sale

\$100 Spot 3 Satellite Position messenger—\$100.

Needs a subscription. Contact::
LeonardLowe@sarjor_3@hotmail.com





Flying Fraternity (Continued)

Aviation clubs in Atlantic Canada:

Nova Scotia

- **Bluenose Flying Club New Germany - COPA Flt # 186**— bluenoseflyingclub@gmail.com
- **South Shore Flying Club – Liverpool-** David Oickle oickledavid1@gmail.com
- **Tri-County Flying Assoc., COPA Flt # 63** - Ken Pothier kennethpothier@hotmail.ca
- **Digby/Annapolis Regional Airport – Digby** - (902) 245-5885
- **Annapolis Valley Flying Assoc, COPA Flt # 147** - Gary Dunfield gary@gaspereau.com
- **Kings/Hillaton (CHL2) Aerodrome Canning NS:** <https://kingsaero.com/kings-aerodrome/>
- **CFB Greenwood (CYZX) NS: Freedom Aviation** <http://freedomaviation.ca>
- **EAA Chapter 1051 Scotia Eagles** (located at CHL2 Kings/Hillaton Aerodrome, Canning NS: <http://www.eaa1051.org>)
- **Truro Flying Club, Debert, COPA Flt # 188** Derek Shiers - dshiers@bellaliant.net

Prince Edward Island

- **PEI Flying Assoc. Charlottetown, COPA Flt 57** – Barry Martin bmartin@islandtelecom.com
- **Brian Pound** - brian@brianpound.ca
- **Summerside Airport & COPA Flt 125** – Dave Thomas drdaveaviator@hotmail.ca (Continued on pg 4)

New Brunswick

- **MONCTON AERO CLUB - COPA Flight #112** – Jim Lockyer Lockyerj@umoncton.ca
- **HAVELOCK NB - COPA Flight #27** - Steve Eastwick sdeastw@nbnet.nb.ca
- **Saint John - COPA Flight #193** - Ian Cameron airshow1@nbnet.nb.ca
- **FREDERICTON - COPA Flight #2** - Ray St Lauren
- **WOODSTOCK - COPA Flight #86** - Blair DeGrace bdegrace@acadiantimber.com
- **MIRAMICHI - COPA Flight #39** - Doug Brown nbdbrown@nbnet.nb.ca

Reach out to The Windsock c/o the Editor, Gayle Wilson, at: wilsongdh@gmail.com

STANLEY SPORT AVIATION

Membership Application



Stanley Sport Aviation Members Enjoy:

Use of Stanley airport facilities, ready access to the fuel pumps at best prices available, use of the clubhouse, a place to camp, and use of bunkhouse with showers, aircraft storage, and great fellowship)

NAME: _____

SPOUSE'S NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: (H) _____ (W) _____ (C) _____

LICENSE TYPE: _____

FLYING SKILLS: _____

AIRCRAFT OWNED: Year _____ Type _____

AIRCRAFT REGISTRATION _____

PROJECTS: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ COST: Associate Member \$45.00

MEMBERSHIP IS FROM **JAN 1ST TO DEC 31ST** PLEASE MAKE CHEQUE PAYABLE TO STANLEY SPORT AVIATION AND REMIT TO: ssaviation.treasurer@gmail.com

