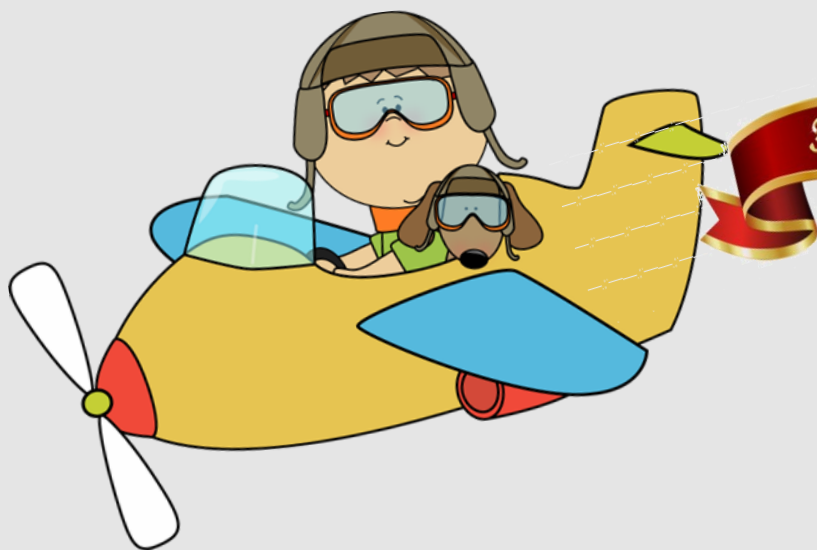


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Stanley Sport Aviation Association Newsletter

December 2020



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It has certainly been quite a year, though SSSA has done extremely well compared to other organizations and companies. We went into 2020 with no idea of what we were facing, or how the coronavirus would affect us, or how long it would last. But there is no point in looking back; we have to plan for next year.

We are now in better shape to deal with 2021, but we know it is far from over. By spring the vaccine distribution will be well under way, and things should start to improve. In any case, our special events still likely will be impacted, and we have start planning now. If restrictions are lifted we know exactly what to do; we have been doing it for over 50 years.

The first event is the May 22/23 weekend. It is very likely we will not be able to serve breakfast in the Clubhouse. If we change that to an afternoon BBQ served outside we know it would work; it worked great this year. That's just a suggestion. Send us your ideas.

The big event is the September 4/5 Fly-In, which will be our 50th anniversary. If restrictions are not lifted to the point where we can hold a proper Fly-In, there is no way we can serve a few hot dogs in the afternoon and call it our 50th Anniversary Fly-in. We would have to postpone the big celebration for another year. But we must have a scaled-down event of some kind. We will certainly know by late July if the 50th is a go. If it is, we would still have time to prepare. We would put some things in place ahead of time anyway just in case.

Meanwhile, I'd like wish all of our members a Happy New Year, and all the best in 2021.

—Kevin Layden



Kevin Layden

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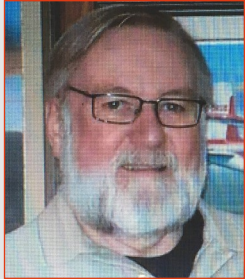
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Vice-President's Report

It will be no surprise to SSSA members that our 55th AGM will not be held at the end of January this year as in previous years. We've got COVID 19 to thank for that. We are hoping for late February for the AGM, but will advise and update as time passes.

This will also be our 50th annual Fly-In Labour Day weekend, but at this point it is not certain that it can happen. Again we'll be updating members on that.



Brian Chappell

For our 50th we want to do an even better fly-in than previous years. Normally, we would already be working on planning special activities for the event. But of course we can't even get together yet to do any planning. Our directors' meetings are now by Zoom.

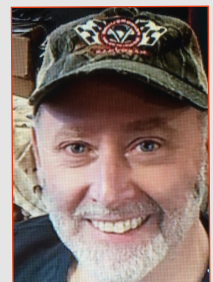
To have a fitting 50th celebration, we may even have to postpone it for a year. We would like many of our friends who have attended fly-ins over the years to be able to join us, such as those from Quebec, Ontario, New England other U.S. states.

Also, there will be no fly-in breakfast in May by the looks of things right now. Many things to consider in a short time. Hope for the best for all of us. -Brian Chappell



Airport Manager's Report

Hello all members. Hope everyone had a great holiday.



Jim Ward

Before the end of the season at Stanley, I password protected the WIFI. There are several different antennas broadcasting from the rear of Number 2 hanger (beside the registration building). The password is *stanley17*. This will give you access to all routers except for the DLINK that is broadcasting from the clubhouse.

On another note, I would ask that you consider running for a directorship position. In the past I have held every position including President, Vice, Treasurer, Secretary, fuel etc. In those days, most all directors were aircraft owners or the spouse of an aircraft owner.

It now seems we are trending to more non-owners than owners controlling the direction of the club. It's always been my position that the owners should be making the decisions that affect the airport. Please get involved by putting your name forward to the nomination chairman (Brian Chappell).

All outgoing directors would be more than willing to help you with the transition. At this time, we have switched to ZOOM meetings to comply with provincial health regulations. Your club needs you; please get involved.

-Jim Ward Airport Manager (term ending)



Safety Director's Report

Two safety upgrades have recently been made at the airfield, both aimed at increasing our emergency response capabilities.



Mike Whitehead

First, the fire extinguisher for the re-fueling area that has historically simply been positioned on the ground next to the fuel tank has been replaced. The new extinguisher is mounted on a post approximately three metres from the tank. This is considered a better position as, should a fire start at the fuel area, an extinguisher right by the tank might well be inaccessible. The new extinguisher also has a weather protection cover as it was found the previous extinguisher had been damaged over time by UV.

Secondly, an emergency response kit is being developed that will see a small duffel bag placed in a cabinet, again near the fueling pint. The bag will contain such things as a CO2 fire extinguisher, first aid kit, crash/rescue bar, seat belt cutter, side cutters (for battery cables), flashlight, etc. The idea is that items required to respond to an emergency on the field will be readily available to "grab and go."

- Mike Whitehead



A fire extinguisher has now been mounted on a post by the fuel area.



News and Views

Canada mandates 406 ELTs

Mandatory ELTs are on the horizon. AVweb reports that foreign-registered aircraft flying to Canada after Nov. 25, 2021, will have to have either an ELT capable of broadcasting simultaneous 406 and 121.5 MHz emergency signals or a portable 406 beacon on board as part of Canada's new ELT rules. Foreign aircraft that don't comply with Canadian regulations can still fly in Canada with the approved 406 beacon. There is no requirement in the U.S. for aircraft to have a 406 ELT. Instead, the FCC has banned the manufacture of ELTs that operate on 121.5 only. All new ELTs emit both signals simultaneously but there are still thousands of 121.5 devices in use.

In Canada, eventually all aircraft except gliders, balloons, airships, ultralights and gyroplanes will have to have the new ELTs, notes the AVweb report. Aircraft operated primarily for recreation will need the new ELTs within five years, but everything else (including foreign aircraft) have to be equipped by Nov. 25, 2021.

Canadian aviation groups had opposed the 406 mandate, arguing that less expensive satellite-based tracking systems or ADS-B could be used instead, and they wouldn't suffer the reliability issues of ELTs, which often don't trigger or whose signals are blocked because of the position of the wreck. However, as AVweb noted, the tracking systems don't send an alert if they detect a high-G impact and that was apparently a deciding factor for Transport Canada. Operators are, of course, free to carry a tracking device with them in addition to the mandatory ELT.



Flying Fraternity

SSAA Directors: Kevin Layden (President); Brian Chappell (Vice-president); Tom Sabeau (Treasurer); Bob Poirier (Secretary); Jim Ward (Airport Director); Cindy Poirier (Membership Director); Phil Chatterton (Fly-In Director); Mike Whitehead (Safety Director); Leonard Lowe (Fuel Director); Debbie Murley (Special Events Director); Gayle Wilson (Windsock Publishing Director); Don MacLeod (Director).

Congratulations!

Congratulations to our very own SSSA member Christoph Both for successfully completing the written examination portion of his commercial pilots licence earlier this month. Way to go Christoph!

Pilot Christoph Both has volunteered his time with the Young Eagles program. He's shown here with participant Aaron Caines.





Flying Fraternity (Continued)

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- 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>
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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
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