

The WindsOCK



Stanley Sport Aviation Association Newsletter

Winter 2023



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STANLEY SPORT AVIATION ASSOCIATION

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Leonard Lowe

Hello Members,

Winter has arrived at the airport for another year. The past year has been busy with many projects as we continue to maintain and improve the facilities. A few of them were major undertakings that required expertise from members and contractors. These are important as the club continues to grow and flourish.

It's also important to recognize those who contribute to the upkeep of our airport. Thank you to you all; without your contribution it would be difficult to deliver on the Club Mission to "Provide Access to Affordable Facilities and Infrastructure that Supports Aviation enthusiasts of all ages."

Although snow has enveloped the runways and infield, the airport remains active for those who are able to continue flying during the winter. Once the grass gives way to ice it's actually quite nice to get out for some winter flying, especially the gatherings on the frozen lakes that are so abundant in the province. We'll keep a look out for these events as the winter progresses and the lake ice gets thicker.

The time for preparation certainly takes longer, with heaters thawing out the cylinders, but that's what makes flying in the winter so enjoyable. Take your time and enjoy the process, and remember to adjust the safety kit in the plane for the colder environment.

The club is healthy and indeed has grown over the last year, with new members joining and past members renewing their membership. We are fortunate to have such a large membership, but it's important to continue to attract new members to ensure continued growth and fresh thinking. Flying, friendship and comradery is the basis of our existence. This was very evident this past year with so many well-attended events.

Planning for the next flying season's events at the airport will be starting soon. As usual, there will be fly-ins welcoming enthusiasts to our airport to enjoy great food and interesting activities, as well as fly-outs to the many small and large airports the Maritimes is so fortunate to have.



Of course next year's to-do list will be aimed at continuing to maintain and improve the facilities. Among these will be a few minor projects where paint and small repairs are required to some hangars, as well as ongoing efforts to maintain Runway 09/27 and work to reclaim more usable length to Runway 02/20. As you can see, much runway improvement work was done already. Look for notices of work parties in your email as the plans for further improvements get solidified.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (Continued)

The AGM is quickly approaching , with the date and time set for Saturday, January 27, 2 pm. to 5 pm. Once again it will be held at the Beaver Bank Lions Club. This is the meeting that officially ends 2023 for the association and starts 2024.

One important activity during the meeting is the Election of Officers for the board members whose terms are ending. Look for more on this in the coming weeks. We encourage members to think about volunteering to fill one of the positions. The health of the club depends on new thinking and enthused members.

Here is the current state of the board members' roster and at what period the members are in their terms. I want to thank all of the directors for the time they've committed to the continued growth of the club.

Executive		Directors	
Mid Term President	Leonard Lowe	Mid Term Safety	Bob Kenalty
Mid Term Vice President	Mike Whitehead	Mid Term Airport	Jim Ward
Mid Term Treasurer	Tom Sabeen	Mid Term Fuel	Nick Wilson
End Term Secretary	Derek Brown	End Term Windsock	Gayle Wilson
		End Term Membership	Debbie Murley
		End Term Social Media	Don Macleod
		End Term Special Events	Phil Chatterton

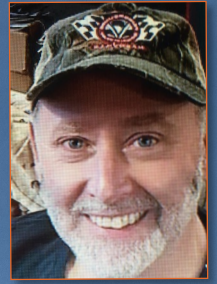
I'll close with a wish for all of you to have an amazing holiday season with time spent enjoying the company of family and friends.

See you at CCW4!

Leonard Lowe—*SSAA President*



Airport Manager's Report



Jim Ward

In late October we had a workday at Stanley to prepare the field for the upcoming winter. The following projects were completed during

the day:

- Poly installed on the screen porch
- The bat wing mower was covered with a tarp
- Picnic tables moved into club-owned hangars
- Painting was finished on the front of the 305 hangar
- Grass removal on Runway 27
- Trailer line and Hilton winterized
- Signs removed and stored.

It was a great day with a very good turnout. The grass removal on Runway 27 went exceptionally well. Robert Cox was able to get a power broom and swept about 500 feet of the runway. Thank you everyone who helped with all of these projects.

We were able to keep the water on in the clubhouse until late November. This allowed us to have a Christmas party complete with a potluck meal and a movie. It was a great day and evening with lots of hangar flying and conversation. Thank you to all who attended. The clubhouse was winterized the next day and the water completely shut down.

As it has been all summer, the field is very wet and very soft. Please proceed with caution.

Hope to see you at the AGM in January.

Jim Ward, SSAA Airport Manager



PHOTO: GAYLE WILSON



Winterize work day



PHOTOS:

Gayle Wilson





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Fuel Director's Report

With the sudden demise of Maritime Fuels, like many airports in Nova Scotia Stanley was challenged to find an alternate supplier of Avgas quickly. I'm pleased to report that we have secured the services of Quebec's Harnois, and a delivery of 4000 litres has been made. This should be plenty to see us through the winter flying season.

I was impressed with their driver's ability and fortitude in navigating the roads and our delivery area after the big dump of snow earlier this month.

In order to ensure the fuel system budget has adequate reserves to cover general operation maintenance and improvements moving forward, while keeping Stanley's prices competitive, the price of fuel will be now be \$2.50/litre for members; \$2,80/litre for non-members.

Here's hoping you all have a safe and enjoyable winter season whether in the air or on the ground.

Nick Wilson—SSAA Fuel Director



Nick Wilson



PHOTOS: Nick Wilson



Christmas at Stanley



PHOTOS: Gayle Wilson



FOR SALE

NEW Propeller McCauley 1A101/ DCM6948

This propeller is virtually factory new and has accumulated **ONLY 0.5hrs**. Yes, that's correct, **ONLY 30 min** of time.

The prop was purchased new from A/C Spruce in Mar 2023 to troubleshoot a rate of climb issue on a 1969 Cessna 150 J with a Continental O-200A and is selling at cost. The FAA 8130 form and McCauley original logs are included.

This prop is currently listed new at \$8,544.00 + tax (\$1,281.60) = total \$9,825.60 (not including special order shipping). **NOTE** that's a savings of \$1000 for the buyer. Available immediately, no four-month lead time from supplier.
\$8,825.00

Martin Densmore
Hawkesbury, Ontario
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328 SUPER EMERAUDE PROJECT

Comes with Continental O-300b 145 hp engine and prop, plus ailerons, flaps, horizontal stabilizer elevator, 3-piece panel and instruments, Icom 200 radio, transponder, headphones and much more. Very low price!
Can be seen at Stanley in second Quonset-style hangar down the line.

Contact: Don Ledger, 902-832-1962
E-mail: dledger@ns.sympatico.ca





Welcome aboard!

The Windsock regularly profiles aviators who recently became members of Stanley Sport Aviation Association as a way of introducing them to existing club members. This issue, meet JIM EWING.

Jim Ewing is a Charlottetown (CYYG) based pilot who is now retired after a 35-year career as owner and president of Great Hobbies Inc.

Although Jim was involved in model aviation from the age 13, it wasn't until September 2006 that he started his flight training and got into full-scale aviation. In January 2007, Great Hobbies purchased a Cherokee 140 with which Jim completed his licence four months later.

The aircraft shown in the picture is that of a Vans RV, which was purchased and imported from the U.S. in 2011. Jim explains that the reason this particular aircraft "screamed onto the radar" was the color scheme. It matched the Great Hobbies logo colors and pattern perfectly. "Was meant to be!"



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO: Jim Ewing and his Vans RV

Jim also has a share in a 1973 Citabria 7ECA, which he helped restore and first flew in 2013. He now has three "very enthusiastic" partners in that aircraft.

According to Jim, he's got "the best of both worlds" - a Vans RV4 that can cruise at 150 kts for travel and aerobatics, and a Citabria that "checks the low and slow box."

Membership Director's Report



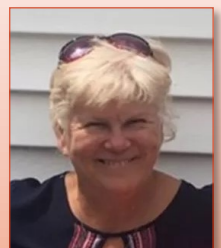
SSAA's newest member is Gary Goodine. Gary was, in fact, a member of good standing for a long time and has recently re-joined the ranks of the SSAA family.

Invoices will be issued soon for new/renewed memberships for the 2024 season, but it would be appreciated if members could pay their fees as soon as possible, thereby avoiding unnecessary paperwork for the club's treasurer. Payment can be made to: ssaviation.treasurer@gmail.com

Associate membership fee is \$45. New applicants are 'Associate' for at least a year and will be notified when they are eligible for a 'Full' membership. Please note that associate members do not have voting privileges at the AGM.

The Full Membership fee is \$55. This gives people voting rights and privileges at the AGM. Currently Stanley has 132 members, 75 of which enjoy voting privileges.

- Debbie Murley, SSAA Membership Director



Debbie Murley



Aviation clubs and contacts 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

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 possible, use of the clubhouse and bunkhouse with showers, a place to camp, aircraft storage, and great fellowship.

Members are expected to contribute to the ongoing maintenance and upkeep of Airport Facilities to support the Club Mission Statement "Providing Access to Affordable Facilities and Infrastructure that Supports Aviation enthusiasts of all ages."

NAME: _____

PARTNER'S NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

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

RATING: _____ ENDORSMENTS: _____

FLYING SKILLS: _____

AIRCRAFT OWNED: Year _____ Type _____

AIRCRAFT REGISTRATION _____

PROJECTS: _____

SIGNATURE: _____



COST: Associate Member \$45.00

MEMBERSHIP IS FROM **JAN 1ST TO DEC 31ST**. PLEASE COMPLETE AND REMIT TO MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR, UNIT 16 - 50 AIRPORT ROAD STANLEY NS B0N 2A0.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS CAN ALSO BE SENT TO: ssaviation.treasurer@gmail.com