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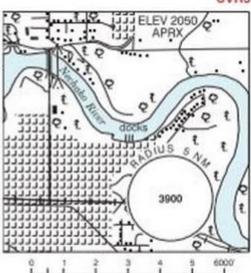
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Hi Folks!

We hope this finds everyone well and that you have kept healthy and warm this winter, especially now with what's going on in our world. We really hope that this winter weather is behind us or getting close to it so we can catch up on some much needed float flying. Remember though, social distancing if you can't social distance put the flying on hold. Stay safe everyone.

Vanderhoof Water Aerodrome :

Some good news shared from one of our members; *Thanks to the private dock owners and everyone on the river that wanted to see this part of our history and economic plan preserved.*-Paul Collard. The Vanderhoof water aerodrome is open again!

VANDERHOOF WATER BC		CVH3
REF	N54 01 13 W123 59 53 Adj NE 17°E (2019) UTC-8(7) Elev 2050' aprx A5014	
OPR	Vanderhoof Airport Development Society 250-567-4805/8724 or 250-614-3569 Reg	
PF	C-1,2,3,4,5 D-6	
FLT PLN FIC	NOTAM FILE CYXS Kamloops 866-WXBRIEF (Toll free within Canada) or 866-541-4101 (Toll free within Canada & USA)	
SERVICES FUEL PVT ADV	100LL (at land A/D), MG-1, MG-4 not avbl on site. Guardian Aerospace 250-567-2655 15-24Z± O/T 250-570-2670/2671 PN for float planes.	
A/D DATA DOCKS	Open water May 1 to Oct 30. Mud & gravel bottom. 3 docks on private land. Dock space not assured.	

CANADA WATER AERODROME SUPPLEMENT

Effective 0901Z 28 March 2020 to 0901Z 22 April 2021

B246 AERODROME/FACILITY DIRECTORY

VANDERHOOF WATER BC (Cont'd)		CVH3
COMM ATF	ftc 122.8 5NM 5100 ASL	
CAUTION	Land A/D 1.5NM NNW. Low water Sep/Oct. Watch for fisheries buoys. Ocsl debris mid Jul-mid Aug dur hi water release.	



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PrepAIR 2020:

Due to COVID-19 all prepAir events are postponed for 2020.

Calendars:

Mike needs your photos! Please send him photos ASAP, the cutoff date is the end of April so there is enough time to get the poster's setup and printed. Please email mike@thompsonfoundry.com with your photo's. Thank you for your contributions it is very much appreciated.

BCFA 2020 AGM:

When: July 10, 11 & 12 2020.

Where: Northwood Lodge at Timothy Lake.

Details: We have some excellent speakers lined up and Northwood Lodge is the site of previous successful AGM's. There is lots of beach area to tail into, good camping and cabins.

With the issue of COVID-19 going on we will have a directors meeting at the end of April to decide if the AGM should go ahead or not. Currently, we are continuing plans to make the AGM happen. If we decide that the AGM won't happen at Northwood due to the virus, there may be a flyout where we can all practice social spacing in an outdoor environment.

Watch the BCFA website for more information.

Volunteers Needed:

Vice President- At last year's AGM in Kamloops we did not have a volunteer step up for the position of vice president. If you have never volunteered to be a BCFA director, please consider helping. With many people doing the work, the tasks get spread out.

Newsletter-We need a volunteer to take of the important job of creating the newsletter. Jessica has done an excellent job, and her job commitments mean that we need another volunteer. We usually work at getting 4 newsletters done each year, and it's an important way to stay in contact with the members and keep them up to date.

Classified:



Randy would like to add that the empty weight is 1085 lbs and the gross weight is 2000 lbs. He has put 145 hours since the rebuild. Please contact Randy at 1-250-392-2868 or email randy-fly.bc@shaw.ca

1977 PA 18 SUPER CUB Total rebuild carried out in 2009 @ TTSN 1498.2 hrs. by Cub Crafters. New Univair fuselage, 3" extended landing gear, 2000 lb up gross. Extended range fuel tanks: 46 US gal. New heavy duty sealed lift struts. Steve's Aircraft gascolator. Total of 25 STC's were installed during rebuild. Side luggage door, large luggage compartment. Propeller O/H'd to zero hrs. July 2010, 5-year corrosion inspection C/W May 2016. Prop SOH 92.2 hrs. New in 2009: Garmin SL40 com radio, Garmin GTX327 xpdr, ACK encoder. Garmin 495, PM1000II Intercom, Artex 406 ELT, E-4 EGT gauge. C-4 CHT gauge, VA-1 volt/amp. All new electrical, wiring, circuit breakers, switches. Welded float fittings installed. \$140,000 USD. Contact: 250-392-2868 or email: randy-fly.bc@shaw.ca (3790.20562)

Parks:

A reminder that putting in your request for BC Parks pre-approval needs to be done by the end of April. Don't be disappointed by missing the date. Once the end of April passes, all the requests get put together and a single document is sent to parks. We usually have the documentation by the end of May / early June. This pre-approval document will be emailed to BCFA members that have asked for pre-approval and it's also available on the website.

Scholarship:



British Columbia Float Plane Association (BCFA)

FREEDOM TO FLY FLOATS SCHOLARSHIP

- Requirements: You must hold a B.C. recreation or private pilot license with a minimum of 150 hours total.
- Details: Application guidelines & forms are located at: www.bcfloatplaneassociation.com
- Deadline: Application packages will be accepted for review as long as the package is post marked by May 1st, 2020 or before when received.

THE B.C. FLOATPLANE ASSOCIATION RECOGNIZES THE NEED TO CONTINUE OUR FREEDOM TO FLY FLOATS IN BC. THE BCFA ARE OFFERING ONE \$2,500 SCHOLARSHIP TOWARDS A SEAPLANE RATING.

It's that time of year again. Float Plane season is right around the corner. The BC Floatplane Association is offering a \$2,500.00 Scholarship to be used towards a seaplane rating. Please go to www.bcfloatplaneassociation.com for further information.

Farwell:

“In the footsteps of the giants you follow, you clear a path so those who follow you will see their way a little bit more clearly, mentoring those who look to you as a source of inspiration, for you are their giants to follow.” -Unknown.

Wendy Boyes has been an active volunteer for the BCFA for more than 11 years:

2009-2010-Secretary
2010-2012-President
2012-2014-Past President
2014-2016-President
2016-Present-Scholarip
Committee



In 2016 Wendy initiated and formed the scholarship that has helped 8 recipients in the past 4 years. After timeless hours of volunteering Wendy Boyes is stepping down from the BCFA. Wendy, from the bottom of our hearts thank you for all of your hard work.

“It has been an honor to serve on the BCFA board as past, secretary, President and scholarship director. While I regret stepping down a new energy will take over bringing fresh ideas to this important role. I know a director at large or a member will step up to the plate who wants to take this position to new heights. It is a duty that brings great satisfaction knowing it is helping keep Float Flying in B.C. alive and giving a pilot an opportunity to get wet and to see what a prestigious rating it is. Please consider this important duty or any other vacant position as the association needs active members and directors. Without these, we would not have an active association. Stepping down from this position and other volunteer and paying jobs I move forward with new energy to give to my hobbies, family and friendships the time they deserve making my heart smile.

Thank you to all of you. Safe and happy float flying.” -Wendy Boyes

The Step

I'll be ending this newsletter with a goodbye from me, Jessica James. I've been fortunate enough to volunteer on and off for the BCFA since I was around 10. From flipping pancakes at the AGM's, to selling memberships and merchandise, to being a director, helping out with the social media and writing this newsletter it has been an absolute pleasure getting to know everyone and being part of a group that I will keep close to my heart. It was not an easy decision for me to step down, but I have accepted a job with Kenn Borek that will take me to some remote areas over the world and I may not have access to internet, one of the necessities for me to continue to volunteer to the best of my capabilities. In a few years' time I hope to come back as a volunteer once life has calmed down for me but for now I will remain a member and hope to see some of you at the events. A sincere thank you to everyone who has helped me along the way. Thank you for accepting me into BCFA family.



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