

## Minutes of Kelowna Flying Club General Meeting

At the Clubhouse on 3 July 2018

1. **Welcome by Sylvain Leone.** Meeting started at 1900 and ended at 1945 after a good discussion on what an emergency kit for planes should include.

### 2. Opening items discussed included

- Progress Club's future with YLW – we are talking with YLW about our future role at the airport.
- Continue to improve monthly meetings – Sylvain said we have speakers lines up for August and September
- Imbed Flying Program – working to make it as beneficial to all members as possible but making sure Flying Program members have the time they need
- Smooth delivery of main events as follows

AGM	Apr 3	<b>Done</b>
Rust Remover	Apr 28	<b>Done</b>
COPA for Kids	Jun 16	<b>Done</b>
Kelowna Pancake Breakfasts		Every 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday

### 3. Other – Fly-ins, Fly-outs, etc

Karl Dunn reported that we have pancake breakfasts scheduled for the third Sunday of each month from 0800 to 1100. He asked that we support the club and come and join us – and then perhaps go on a fly out.

### 4. Financial and Membership Reports as of June 30, from James Sexton

Doris reported that we sold 417 of the 1,000 tickets in the raffle and with only 10 days to sell them. She said that next time we will get tickets well in advance so that we can hopefully sell all 1,000 tickets at \$20 each.

#### General Accounts

**Bank balance** **\$24,757**

**Raffle at COPA for Kids raised \$8,171.02**

- Finances are on budget for 2019

### Memberships

- Invoice going out this week to 40 members that are outstanding

### Expenses

- Collecting expenses from COPA for Kids day

### Flying Program

**Bank Balance** **\$25,032**

### Membership

Renewals from 2017-18 80

New members 6

**Total** **86**

Renewal Outstanding for 2018 40 reminders have been sent out; six members from last year have moved out of the area

Membership Year - April 1, 2018 - March 31, 2019

Membership Fee - \$75.00 - Students \$35

### 5. Flying program – from James Hannibal

- VXY has flown > 160 hr since October 2017 program start
- 25 Members
  - 19 checked out
  - 1 has flown > 35 hr
  - Several close to 12
- April 14 meeting – FP fee increase of \$300 each to balance accounts
- Club donates aircraft to fly C4K June 16<sup>th</sup>
  - 3 FP members flew on the day
  - August meeting to determine membership & costs for Year 2

## **6. Membership Initiatives**

Sylvain reported that membership cards are now being sent out and that he overcame the technical glitches involved.

Monthly newsletter – we would like feedback on this – what you need and what you don't. A page on all events is included at the end of the newsletter

Investing in nextgen aviators group – Doris and Sylvain working on it

COPA for Kids. Sylvain said it was awesome, and he congratulated all the people involved. Rupert Gruen reported that on this flagship event of our year we flew 170 kids in 14 aircraft starting at 0900 and finished the flights at 1430. We had over 700 people here and there was lots of energy. Rupert told the membership present that “every spot you fill as a volunteer is an important spot. If we don't have someone for a job it means we don't live up to what we could do. Come and join us next year – it is a club event, and the more we participate the more it will grow.” Rupert, commenting on the emergency vehicles which were on static display, said that BC Ambulance came here for the first time. He recounted that he had a heart attack in February and got to know people in the ambulance service. Also the Ellison Fire Department was here with a flashy truck, as was the Green Machine from the Airport Fire Dept and an RCMP plane and two RCMP cruisers. West Jetters came here and helped a lot, many of them taking children to the plane and recovering them on return. Rupert added “this event means that our club is more than just a bunch of people flying around. We get back more than we give when we volunteer.”

The members were showed pictures of Rupert's train for young children, which he built at home, and was a big hit and ran full all day.

Videos – Sylvain explained how to do video with a small go pro type camera that he purchased 2<sup>nd</sup> hand for under \$100, and Karim said he had also worked with similar equipment. He will do a diagram of it for the newsletter.

## **7. Survival Kits**

Sylvain mentioned that Ariel has a cool survival kit, all vacuum packed and light and easy to use. he said we must travel with survival gear during the summer if we are going further than 25 NM from our airport. He said the Edmonton flying club has massaged the COPA survival kit and that he would have it put on the web site.

### What's in your Survival Kit?



- Summer season is here! With more and more cross country trips going on over the summer, we need to have our survival kits ready to go with us!
- Don't assume the good weather means easier survival needs, be prepared!
- CAR 602.61: *"no person shall operate an aircraft over land unless there is carried on board survival equipment, sufficient for the survival on the ground of each person on board, given the geographical area, the season of the year and anticipated seasonal climatic variations, that provides the means for starting a fire; providing shelter; providing or purifying water; and visually signalling distress." (Note: there are a few exceptions)*
- Check out the Edmonton Flying Club COPA Survival Kit document on the [www.kelownaflyingclub.com](http://www.kelownaflyingclub.com) web site

Sylvain asked what's in your survival kits equipment? How do people notify others when they fly away? SPOT is good, and the Club's Grumman has a SPOT. Need water in survival kit. We learned last year at a survival course that we must put our kit into a watertight bag. Karim has waterproof, soft-sided bag with luminous strips on it. Rupert mentioned that there is a lot that can be learned from mountain climbers and that you can go to MEC for a kit. He asked "how are you going to use the kit if you have a broken arm or leg." If you survive the impact you must know how to use the stuff you take with you. You need warmth, food and to be dry. Also take a red or green laser to draw attention.

### What's in your Survival Kit?

The summer kit for the COPA aircraft, which flies primarily in southern and eastern Canada, is as follows:

- yellow garbage bags
- waterproof matches
- magnesium fire starter
- 3 space blankets
- Swiss army knife
- survival knife and sharpening stone
- Hatchet and pocket saw/hand saw
- 4 hand warmers
- signal mirror
- aluminum pot and plastic cup
- tea and coffee
- 2 whistles
- 5 flares
- 2 sleeping bags (-5C)
- compass
- 3 pairs wool socks

- 2 candles
- bug repellent
- 4 'D' batteries
- aluminum foil
- lip balm
- fishing kit
- water purification tablets
- 4 soup packets
- poncho
- 4 head bug nets
- elastic bands
- string

#### **8. Coming Events**

- July 6-8<sup>th</sup>, Arlington, WA – Arlington Fly-In and Air Show
- July 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>, BC Float Plane Association Fly-In and Meetings, Timothy Lake, BC
- July 15<sup>th</sup>, Campbell River Wings and Wheels Event
- July 29<sup>th</sup>, Kamloops Static Display B-17, flights included
- August 4<sup>th</sup>, Vanderhoof International Air Show
- August 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>, Abbotsford Airshow (Kelowna Flying Club has permission for a static display)
- August 18<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup>, Grumman Pilot's Association Fly-In, Independence, WA

9. **Change to customs clearance in Kelowna.** You used to have to go to Apron 2 or Carsons for Customs, but now you can get clearance at Apron 3 outside the flying club.