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"Connecting Canada's LGBTQ+ Aviation Community Since 2008"
"Rassembler la communauté en aviation LGBTQ+ du Canada depuis 2008"

Welcome Aboard

Bienvenue à bord



Greetings from the flight deck,

Just packing up from my deployment here in Amsterdam and about to head home after being deploying in Europe for the summer. It's been great with a great group here but I miss the west coast and will head home and get reset for the winter operations out of Vancouver.

This summer has been very busy with pride and such - it's slowing down a little

but there is still activity. We couldn't make it to this year's Northern Lights event but we want to congratulate Doris Ipeelee for her award. She has been volunteering with us in Toronto and Montreal while she works on her pilot's licence.

Also a shout out to Deal Sela, one of our founders who now has his Upgrade to Captain on the A320.

Vera and Adrian have been updating our Diversity and Inclusion materials which we will use to help employers with D&I training.

Fall is coming but we don't all get stored away in the hangar for the winter, so watch out for our year end events. We are just confirming dates and places.

Watch out for that frost on the wings,

Peter Litherland
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There's always a slight lull in activity as we enter the fall of each year, after a busy summer of Pride events and many promotional booths, where we try to spread the word that Canada does indeed have its own LGBTQ+ Aviation organization, giving a forum for us all to communicate and feel at home.

So we catch our breath for a month or so, and then we're into the pre-Christmas parties whose dates we will set next month, usually for early December events.

At the end of September, the Northern Lights Aero Foundation held its annual Elsie McGill awards gala, and we were delighted to hear that our member and frequent volunteer, Doris Ipeelee, as

Peter has just mentioned, won the Jazz and Northern Lights Indigenous Award. Congratulations Doris!

Like Peter, I too am pleased to send congratulations to Dean Sela on achieving his captaincy. Dean was one of the founders of CAP and our Chair for many years.

This month and next we feature the 2019 Inclusion Summit hosted by the NGPA in Scottsdale, Arizona. This is a major Diversity and Inclusion learning event each year, and the NGPA have asked CAP to do a presentation on the "Progress toward Inclusion in Canada". Yours truly will be representing us and we want to thank the NGPA and their President, David Pettet for kindly sponsoring our travel arrangements.

The cover photo this month was taken recently, on 11 August in fact, at this year's Abbotsford Airshow. It shows the Canadian Forces Skyhawks as they did their spectacular parachute drop in time for the opening ceremonies.

Best wishes,

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Volunteers

Bénévoles



Northern Lights Aero Foundation - Elsie McGill Awards



Top: Brenda Harwood (Diversity Manager, Jazz), Doris, Joy Parker Blackwood (President, NLA), Steve Linthwaite (Captain, Jazz)

Middle: Zoie Michellin (award winner), Mellisa Haney (Captain, Air Inuit)

Doris commented: "The event was an amazing experience! I met so many inspiring women and I'm still shocked with everything we are accomplishing in the aviation industry! I'm really grateful for Jazz and the Northern Lights Aero Foundation for having me there."



Aviation Cartoon

Caricature en aviation



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Flight Plan 2019

Plan de vol 2019



Vancouver

December Year end party

Toronto

November Year end party

Montréal

November Year end party

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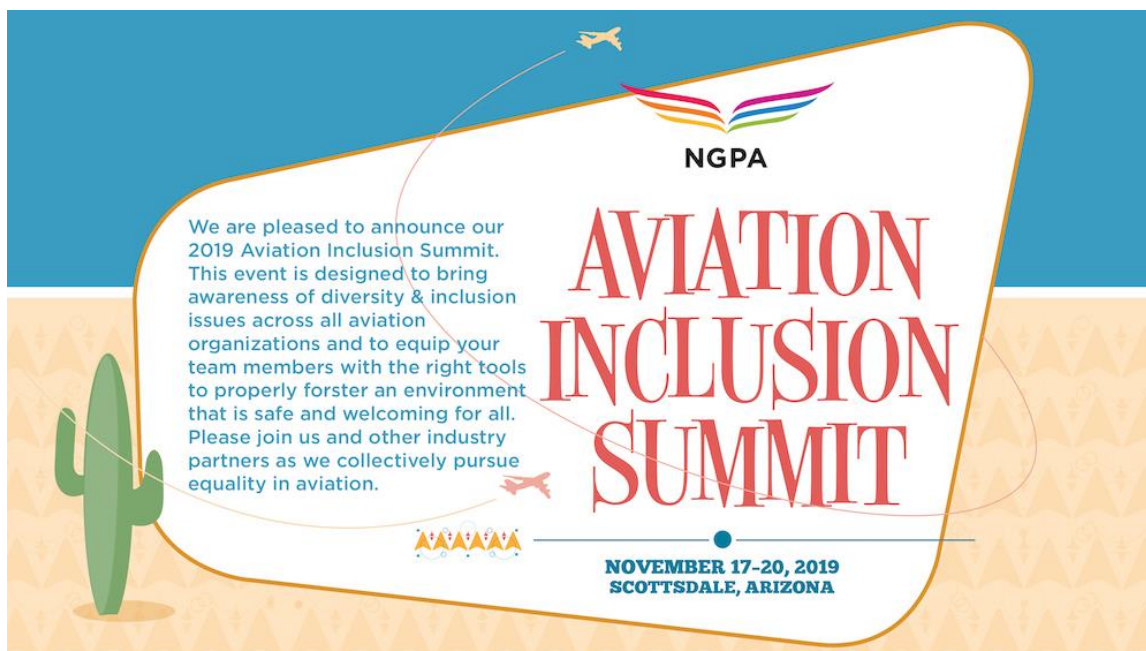
17 – 20 November 2019 NGPA Inclusion Summit, Scottsdale AZ – **SEE FEATURED EVENT**

Featured event

Événement vedette



NGPA Inclusion Summit, Scottsdale AZ



CAP is pleased to attend - you may recognize one of the presenters in the second row!



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Member Profile

Profil du membre



Would you like to be featured in our Monthly Member Profile? Everyone is welcome to submit their profile, whether you're a long time member or are new to Canadian Aviation Pride. You can answer as many or as few of the questions as you feel comfortable with, and use of your last name and employer are optional. If you'd like to share your story, [CLICK HERE](#)

Souhaitez-vous figurer dans notre profil de membre mensuel? Tout le monde est invité à soumettre son profil, que vous soyez un membre de longue date ou un nouveau membre de Canadian Aviation Pride. Vous pouvez répondre à autant de questions que vous le souhaitez, ou en utiliser le moins possible, et l'utilisation de votre nom de famille et de votre employeur est facultative. Si vous souhaitez partager votre histoire, [CLIQUEZ ICI](#)



In Closing

En clôture



Thanks for taking the time to read our newsletter. As we get closer to each event, we will send out further details and a reminder.

If you would like to volunteer or help lead an event, or if you have ideas you would like us to consider, please don't hesitate to let us know. Email us at info@aviationpride.ca.

Blue skies and tail winds!

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Merci d'avoir pris le temps de lire notre bulletin. Plus proche de chaque événement, nous enverrons d'autres détails et un rappel.

Si vous voulez être un bénévole, ou aider à diriger un événement, ou si vous avez des idées à nous soumettre, n'hésitez pas à nous le faire savoir. Envoyez-nous un courriel à info@aviationpride.ca.

Ciel bleu et vent arrière!



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