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**Canada's LGBTQ+ Aviation Newsletter
Le bulletin LGBTQ+ en Aviation du Canada**



**Canadian Aviation Pride
Fierté en aviation canadienne**



February 2020 Février

**"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 Vancouver, it's been a busy de-icing season and I'm not talking about the frosting on the cake.

I hope everyone is off to a good start for 2020 and haven't had too many weather delays getting out to fly.

The board had its first meeting and has been planning the year out and working with our partners to make this a more ambitious year.

Canadian Aviation Pride has formed a Scholarship committee to help the next generation of Aviators, so stay tuned for more details coming this year.

The other day I was flying with a pilot

much younger than myself. I had handed him one of the CAP pens and told him that I volunteer with the organization and what it was about. What was very encouraging was that he felt the flight deck was a very safe place and though it had always been like that and while that is great, it hasn't always been like that and I do know for others it is not the case.

Recently COPA, the Canadian Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, had a discussion going on with the LGBTQ+ topic in the conversation. I am very proud of COPA for taking a stand to defend and help to promote diversity and inclusion in Aviation. Thank you to our allies!

We plan to attend the Vancouver, Toronto and Montreal Pride events again this year as well as the Girls Can Fly, Girls Take Flight, Brantford Airshow and more!

In the mean time, come join us for some wings in Vancouver Sunday Feb 16th at the Fountainhead pub.

Keep the ice off those wings.

Peter Litherland
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With the first month of 2020 completed, we have held our first Board of Directors meeting. As a result we have fleshed out our planned social, promotional and Inclusion events for the year. In addition, our federal annual corporate filing is completed, and we have planned the Annual General Meeting for the end of March as usual. Read all about it in the meeting summary in this newsletter.

We recommend that you take a look through the events list in this newsletter and see which events you would like to attend. The social events are always a good opportunity to meet other like-minded aviation folks, and the booths are fun to help with even if it is only for a couple of hours.

In particular, please take a look at the "Volunteers" section and see if you can help out with these two specific events this spring.

The cover photo this month was taken in June 1973 in Cold Lake, Alberta, where I was stationed for the completion of my military pilot training. The Snowbirds had arrived for a show, and we students were able to wander amongst the aircraft on the ramp. They are in their original colours. Here is another photo from the same day.



Best wishes,

Adrian Walker
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Volunteers

Bénévoles



Request for Volunteers

One event we are working on is a 2020 version of the LGBTQ+ Aviation Youth Mentoring Event which we are planning for a date near the end of March or the beginning of April. We are looking for volunteers who may be interested in helping out with that.

Also, at the end of April is the “Girls Take Flight” event in Oshawa, where we will have a booth to promote CAP.

If you would like to volunteer to assist with either of these two events, please contact our Director Vera at info@aviationpride.ca

Aviation Cartoon

Caricature en aviation



by [Kelly Kincaid](#)



Flight Plan 2020

Plan de vol 2020



Vancouver

Sunday 16th February
Wednesday 1st July
Friday 31st July
Sunday 2nd August
7th – 9th August
December

Wing night – 2:00 pm at Fountainhead pub
Canada Day fireworks party
Pre-Pride Pub night, 5:00 pm at Moxie's
Vancouver Pride Booth
Abbotsford Airshow
Year end party

Toronto

March
April
25th April
May
26th – 28th June
Friday 26th June
August
September
December

LGBTQ+ Aviation Youth Mentoring Event
Pub night at O'Grady's
Girls Take Flight - Oshawa
Girls Can Fly – Kitchener Booth
Toronto Pride Booth
Pre-Pride pub night, 5:00 pm at Fran's Upper Deck
WWFC Fun Day – Kitchener Booth
Brantford Airshow
Year end party

Montréal

March
Friday 14th August
15th August
December

Pub night
Fierté Take-off, 5:00 pm at Sky Bar
Montréal Pride Booth
Year end party

Ottawa

August

Ottawa Pride Booth

External Organizations Organisations externes

6th – 9th February
Thursday 23rd April
20th – 26th July
17th – 20th September
Saturday 26th September

NGPA Winter Warm Up - Palm Springs CA – **see Featured Event**
Jazz Aviation Inclusive Skies conference
EAA AirVenture – Oshkosh WI
NGPA Cape Cod Classic - Provincetown, MA
Northern Lights Award Gala

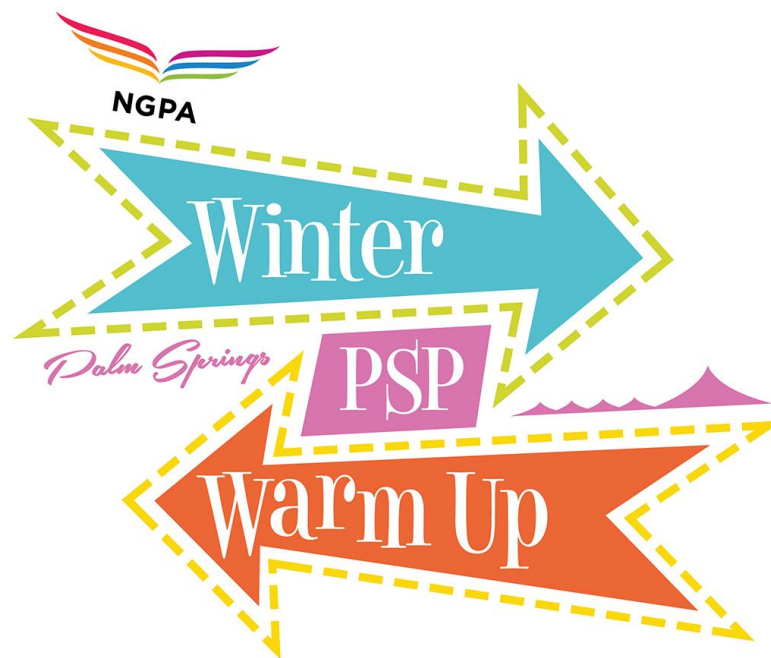
Featured event

Événement vedette



Canadian Aviation Pride and the US-based **National Gay Pilots Association** are two independent not-for-profit organizations serving the LGBTQ+ aviation community in our respective countries. We maintain a cordial and collaborative relationship across the border and take pride in advertising each other's major events. We recommend you consider attending the following event.

Palm Springs, CA



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The Winter Warm-Up is the NGPA's flagship West Coast event, which is held at the beginning of the year and is by far their largest yearly gathering. Warm weather, a uniquely Southwest landscape, and miles of blue skies make Palm Springs the perfect spot for a mid-winter fly-in.

The 2020 Palm Springs Winter Warm-Up will be held from February 6-9, 2019 at the Riviera Palm Springs Hotel.

Registrations are currently underway at https://www.ngpa.org/wwu_register



Thursday 30th January 2020

After approval of the minutes of the last meeting, we discussed updates to a policy on joint events with other organizations. Specifically it was agreed that we approve having our three pre-Pride social events each year jointly organized and co-branded with the American National Gay Pilots Association. We had informally raised this with their Co-Chairs in November, and we will be contacting them to finalize the arrangements.

We reported that the annual federal Corporations Canada filing has been completed and confirmation of this was circulated to all Board members. The Annual General Meeting date was set for Wednesday 25th March, and two Directors' terms come up for renewal. The 2019 financial statements will be presented at the meeting.

A detailed events list was prepared and is shown in this newsletter, and it was encouraging to see that several volunteers are already engaged in helping us with some of this year's projects, and several others have come forward to express interest in taking on some of the CAP workload. An annual report for 2019 will be prepared over the next two months.



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On Line

En ligne



Web Page - Page Web



Canadian Aviation Pride's Web Page contains information about our organization, our objectives and who we are. Check it out, including our Resources and Newsletter pages!

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La page Web de Canadian Aviation Pride contient de l'information sur notre organisation, nos objectifs et qui nous sommes. Découvrez-le, y compris nos pages des ressources et des bulletins!

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We greatly appreciate the contributions from each of the following sponsors and partners who are supporting our outreach programs. Their support allows us to maintain our diversity and inclusion initiatives, our encouragement of youth entry into aviation and our promotional programs.

Canadian Aviation Pride is Canada's own federally incorporated LGBTQ+ Aviation organization, and encourages and assists both individuals and industry in reaching their inclusion goals. **Please support these progressive companies and organizations.**



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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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