

- June 2017 -



The weather was great for the first KWRAA fly-in of 2017. There were 5 planes and about 25 attendees this year.

President's Message

Well, the 2017 KWRAA fly-in season is officially under way. What an excellent start this weekend with great weather and a fairly good turn-out!

It was great to see so many KWRAA members, wives and friends show up at the Largo Woods fly-in. We missed a few of the regulars, but we hope to see them at the next fly-in.

As always, Cam and his family were gracious hosts, opening the doors to their home and hangar for all to enjoy. The chapter is very lucky to have members like Cam that are willing to hold fly-ins on their property and let other pilots have the opportunity to land and takeoff from their personal strip for the day.

We only had 5 planes fly into Largo Woods this year, but that's a 500% increase over last year when it was so windy. I didn't do an official count but I estimate 25 people attended the event.

Thanks to Cam for supplying the BBQ, master griller Don Sinclair for his broiling skills and all of the attendees for bringing salads and desserts. No one left hungry!

It was good to see even more of the members' wives at this fly-in again this year. We need to make sure the rest know they are welcome to attend fly-ins.

This will be a rather short newsletter since time is also short as Lee and I prepare for our trip west. I am still looking for interesting photos, stories and technical articles for future newsletters. Consider sharing an idea with the members through our monthly newsletter this summer! You can even send me your ideas for an article and I'll gladly help you write it!

2017 is going to be a great year for KWRAA!

- Dan

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Largo Woods Fly-in 2017



Ed Connors flew in with his Nynja, which is a spinoff of the Sky Ranger and I flew in with my Highlander on Zenair 1450 amphibious floats.



There was plenty of good food and welcomed shade to be had on Cam's porch. Some regular attendees were unavailable this year.



Mac flew in with his Zenair CH-750, sporting new paint and vinyl graphics and Roy Gibson flew in with his Airborne XT trike. Cam and David Wood's CH-750 is in the background.



Ted and Graham enjoyed a burger, some salads and conversation in the shade. A number of guests rounded out the numbers at the fly-in. As usual, I headed for the dessert. ;)



Dennis Ens flew in with his Bellanca 7ACA from Kingsville.



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Thanks again to Cam and his family for opening up their home and hangar for the rest of us to enjoy at the 2017 Largo Woods fly-in!



Bonus photo for the drive-in crowd... (Yes... the airstrip is the thin light green line.)

This was the great view from my Highlander on final approach to Largo Woods... so get those aircraft building projects done! 😊

You know you've got the aviation bug when...



and...



The Plane Truth!

So many places to go, people to meet and things to see!

We are lucky to be involved in a hobby that satisfies so many of our desires and stretches our imaginations and abilities every day we participate in it or spend time planning our next adventure!

W5...

- Where is your next adventure?
- What are you doing to prepare for it?
- When will you do it? (Life is short!)
- Who are you sharing it with?
- Why not share it with your fellow KWRAA members though this newsletter? Send me your stories and photos!

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Lithium Battery Protection Circuit (Revised)

I know I said I would let you know how the bypass relay worked out in this month's newsletter, but I've been too busy to try it yet.

Please forgive me for not getting it into this edition. In the meantime, I'm glad I installed a bypass switch into the initial design.

- Dan

Upcoming Events in 2017: (Highlighted lines are KWRAA Events*)

June 23-24	-	COPA National Convention in Kelowna, BC	
July 15	-	KWRAA Fly-In at Tom Shupe's in Mount Forest	INFO
July 24-30	-	Air Venture Oshkosh in Wisconsin	
July 29	-	KWRAA Fly-In at CPR3 near Teviotdale/Palmerston	INFO
August 5	-	Gathering of the Classics in Edenvale, ON	
August 12	-	KWRAA Fly-In at CMZ2 – Metz/MacPat Field in Arthur	INFO
August 18-20	-	UPAC Convention – Lubitz Field, Plattsville ON	
August 26	-	Aviation Fun Day at CYKF	
August 30	-	Rotary Charity Airshow in Brantford, ON	
Sept 2-4	-	Canadian International Air Show – CNE Grounds	
September 11	-	September Meeting at 7:30 in the Cadet building at CYKF	
September 16-17	-	Air Power Demonstration at London International Airshow	
October 16	-	October Meeting at 7:30 in the Cadet building at CYKF	
November 13	-	November Meeting at 7:30 in the Cadet building at CYKF	
November 24 (TBA)	-	KWRAA Christmas Party in lieu of a December meeting	

* KWRAA events are fly-in and/or drive-in (Please advise the host in advance if you plan to attend whenever possible.)

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Rotax Heat Monitor Strips:

Mac has a number of Rotax Heat Monitor Strips that can be applied to sensitive areas to monitor for extreme heat readings. They are presently being recommended by Rotax to monitor the ignition modules. He is offering them individually for \$15 each incl. HST. or two for \$28 incl. HST.

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Be sure to check out the KWRAA for more information at: www.KWRAA.net