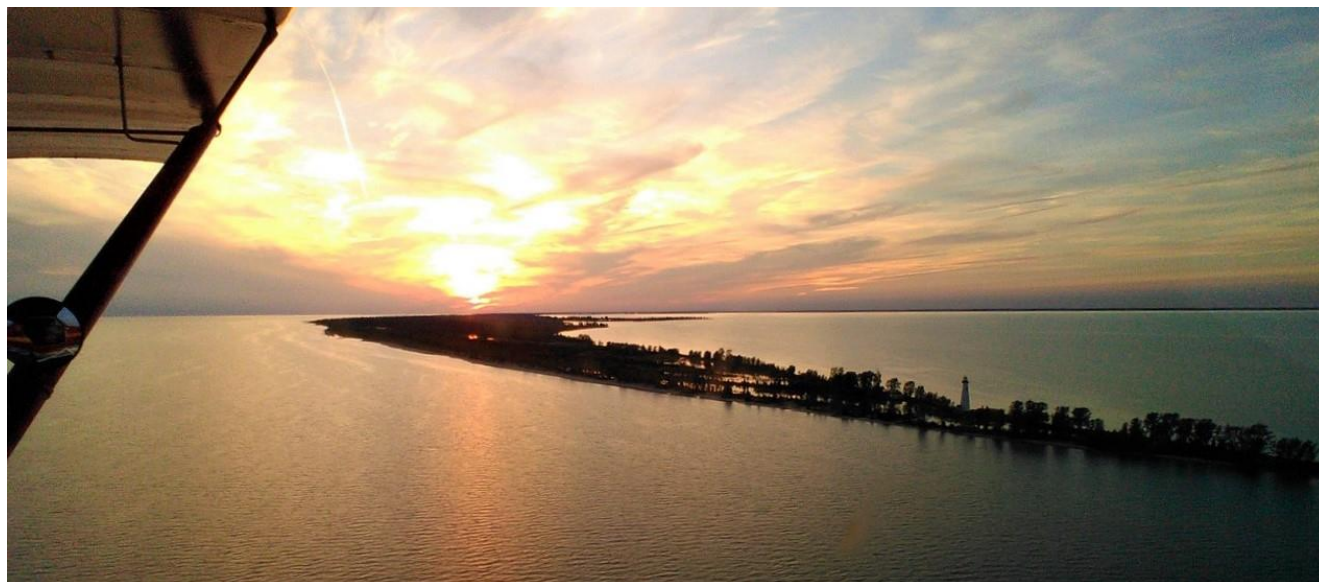


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I couldn't imagine a more beautiful sunset to end the day or smoother flying conditions when I went down to the tip of Long Point this week. The flight was "hands off" most of the way down and back from the secluded beaches.

President's Message

The cool summer we had is yielding way to a warm week or two as we head into the autumn flying season. As such, I decided to try a little flight down to Long Point to catch the sunset and get a little time flying on a nice stable almost windless evening this past week.

I expect to get another few weeks on the amphibians before switching back to bush tires for the Fall, but the call of the wild will keep me wanting to get back up to Muskoka and likely Eastern Ontario a few more times before I make the changeover back to wheels only.

It was great to see our members out at the many events this summer including the UPAC Convention, Aviation Fun Day and of course our own KWRAA fly-ins. With the Tiger Boys fly-in this weekend and the Bushhawk Creek Barbecue on the 23rd, I expect to see a few more of you out enjoying this great hobby we have and visiting the other pilots and builders.

In this issue of *The Leading Edge*, you will find a few photos of the MacPat fly-in at Metz field, a few photos of my evening trip to Long Point, and a few photos from the UPAC Convention. There have also been additions to the 'For Sale' and 'Wanted' postings on the last page, so be sure to check those out.

Thanks to Lee Coulman for his story at the September meeting about the day he flew over to the Brussels aerodrome and spent a bit of time getting to know the owner and his family. Lee had a good number of interesting photos of the aircraft based at Brussels and shared part of a barnstorming movie that was made there and starred a local actress. Lee and I also shared a few stories about the trip we had planned to Kelowna and the unfortunate cancellation due to weather. Luckily, it appears the weather may have changed for the better at least for a while...

2017 is going to be a great year for KWRAA!

- Dan

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MacPat Fly-in near Arthur Ontario

Mac and Pat McCulloch hosted the annual Metz Field fly-in on September 2, 2017. The turnout was not great, but the usual suspects all showed up to enjoy a great day of flying, food, and camaraderie.



Scott flew in from Brantford in the C150 and I flew in in my Highlander amphib., of course!



It was great to see Gary Wolf in attendance, especially since he flew in in his Ercoupe.



There was a nice mix of salads, side dishes and desserts brought by the attendees.



A number of pilots in the area elected to just drive over to Metz Field with their wives since it was so close to home. The weather was nice but the breeze made it just a little cool.

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Thanks again to Mac and Pat for getting things set up for our arrival and opening your home for anyone in need of facilities.



BBQ Master Mike made sure everyone got a chunk of animal protein done to their liking.



After a great lunch and nice visit, everyone came back out to watch the planes take off home. The steady cool wind was straight down runway 14 making sure every plane was off the strip well before the intersection.

Thank you to everyone that made this year's fly-in season possible! Airstrip owners, KWRAA executive, the Fly-in and Special Events Committee, and the many members and spouses that showed up, brought food for the lunch, and even helped set up and clean up in order to make these fly-ins possible for the rest of us! We really do appreciate your generosity and efforts.

Although they're not our own events, a number of our members enjoy attending these events...

Tiger Boys Fly-in (CNC4 Guelph)

Information sheet available at: <https://www.facebook.com/GuelphAirpark/> Sept. 16 & 17.

Bushhawk Creek Barbecue (TJ and LJ Lillam Farm, Straffordville)

Another great annual event that attracts pilots from all over Southern Ontario... Sept. 23 & 24.

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UPAC 2017



Some of us like to make an entrance...



Gustavo Corugo (Gusair) was at UPAC and snapped a number of great photos of C-FDEP



Anybody recognize this motley crew?

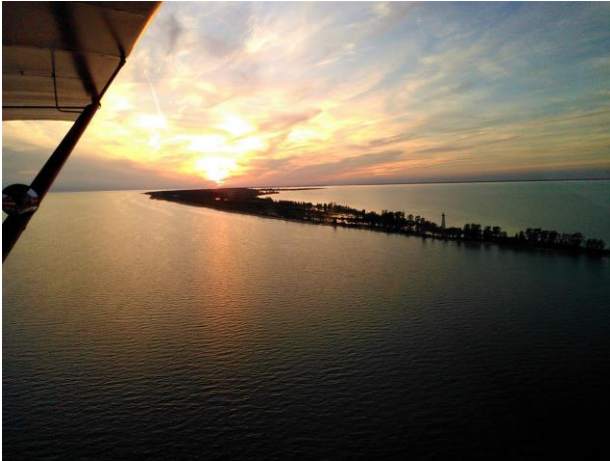


Although things started a little slow at the UPAC convention, likely due to the weather and stiff winds in the morning, things really picked up in the afternoon on Saturday.

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Long Point Sunset Trip

It was already getting late the other night when I decided to go flying for a little while, but given the light wispy clouds, I figured we were in for a pretty good sunset. I considered my options and decided to go for broke and head for Long Point, Ontario.



I knew that my arrival would be just in time for “the show”.



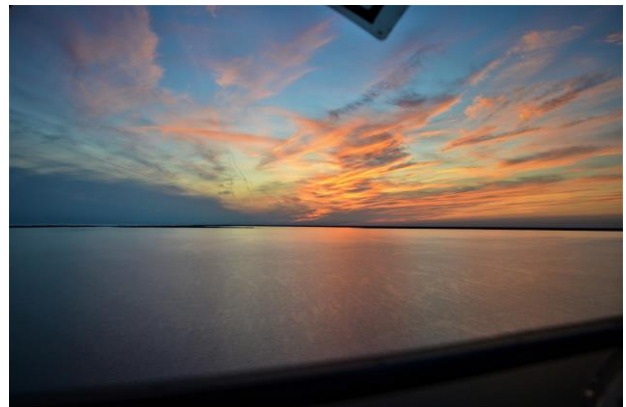
After beaching the plane, I walked back a ways to get a couple of shots.



When I flew across the inner bay to get there, I had seen a number of boats leaving the point to return to the marinas at Port Dover, Port Rowan, and Turkey Point. When I arrived, the beach was secluded and “Erie...ly” calm. ☺



I walked on the beach for a while and enjoyed the serenity of the sunset and soothing sounds of the gentle waves on the sand.



As I made my way back across the inner bay, things brightened up just a bit as I gained altitude, but I knew I would be making use of my night rating as I returned to Brantford.

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

September 16-17	-	Tiger Boys Fly-in at Guelph Airpark
September 16-17	-	Air Power Demonstration at London International Airshow
September 23	-	Bush Hawk Creek Barbecue – Straffordville, ON
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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FOR SALE

RV6 C-FTXF - Standard build, slider with extension kit - SN 22483 - based at CYKF
VFR, Lycoming O-360, first flight Sept 2014, painted 2017 by Purple Hill Aviation
Sensenich fixed pitch cruise prop, Whelan strobes, Wig wag landing lights in wing tips
new tires, no damage history, all service bulletins up to date
Flew back from Oshkosh this year in just 2:25hrs - KOSH to CYKF direct
\$85,000 – Contact: Steve Gale at (519)496-5903 or stevegale@rogers.com

David Clarke Headset (H10-13.4)

Lightly used, works very well, looks brand new... **\$200**. Contact: Dan Oldridge at oldridge@golden.net

Fuel Tank Caps and Parts

2 - RIEKE, 3" composite tank filler neck and cap (asking \$10.00 each)
2 - SHAW AERO, Aerobatic fuel stopper, non-vented adjustable type (asking \$25 each; current list price \$66.75 at ACS)
Contact: Clarence Martens at cemartens@rogers.com

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.
Contact: Mac McCulloch at macpat@live.ca

WANTED

Stringer Material

5/16" x 1" rectangular tubing with 0.50 wall thickness in 12' lengths. Contact Ted Welfred if you have some for sale or know of any available.