

RECREATIONAL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION OF CANADA

Vancouver Chapter 85

General Meeting 3 March 2009

Attending: Executives attending were Tim Nicholas, Terry Wilshire, Rob Prior, Bruce Prior, Joan Cox, Don Souter. Total attendance was 34.

Presentation: John Macready called the gathering together at 1935 and called upon Mark Munzel to introduce the guest speaker. Mark introduced Gary Grass who spoke for about an hour on the Martin Mars water bombers with a slide presentation. John presented a certificate to Gary after his presentation.

Call to Order: The business meeting started at 0850.

Correspondence: Bruce posted a letter from the BCIT Foundation thanking us for the \$500 Bursary.

Treasury: No report.

Membership: 92 total. Those who haven't renewed their membership for 2009 will be culled from the roster after tonight (about 20 members).

Buildings: All are OK. The paint shop is available.

Library: Sean Walker will make book shelves. The new Library/Storage Room door needs to be hung.

Vice-President: Awards Banquet tickets are \$30, and include admission for spouse. Banquet will be at the Delta Town and Country Inn. Cocktails at 1830, Dinner at 1900. Question from floor: Should we subsidize everyone instead of just spouses? No motion was raised and no vote was taken.

DapCom: The March Air Park Breakfast is on Sunday 8 March, presented by BBFC. The runway will be rolled in March. Extensive repairs to hangars will commence this year.

Aircraft: The Turbi tach drive has been replaced and the rpm display is more stable now. The radio replacement is still to be done (waiting for better exchange rate).

RAAC: No reports.

Newsletter: Joan prepared the banquet tickets and will do the trophies, too.

Program: Two speakers are tentatively lined up for future meetings. Thanks again to Mark for recommending Gary as a speaker for tonight.

Old Business: Gordon Hindle still has space in his hangar for a small airplane or other storables.

New Business:

Recurrency training based on the Safety Newsletter Quiz could be done as a program event. Francois volunteered.

Bruce reported that the BC Coast Chapter of the 99s have requested use of our clubhouse on Saturday 30 May to present aviation as a career to the Girls In Science Program. The membership agreed they could use the clubhouse.

Bruce reminded the membership that all aviation events are posted at <http://flying.b4.ca>. members are free to add other events. There is also a forum feature at the same site for members to discuss aviation topics. A PDF version of the application form for the new "passport" style pilots licence is also posted there.

Adjourn: At 2120

