

EAA Chapter 1410

High River, Alberta



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Newsletter

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Vice-President's Message

By Jay Burrows

Welcome to winter everyone, that is all..

Just kidding, lots of things to discuss for the December meeting. Hopefully the weather cooperates, and everyone can make the meeting. The usual open-door time is 6:00pm with a meal and visit 6:30 to 7:15. What will be different is that we will be doing our meeting and meal in 2 North side classrooms as the Cadets will be decorating their float for the High River Santa Clause parade in the main hanger. As you can imagine the front parking might get a bit congested but there is plenty of parking space on the North side of the Cadet hanger and if needed, we can leave the gate open on Hurricane way and there is lots of parking at my (#107) and Donovan's hanger (#105). Thanks again to Steve who plowed both of them out after the last snowfall.

The business meeting to follow which necessitates the annual election, there are 2 prestigious positions up for grabs, that being Treasurer and President, bring your nominations. Once we have our board settled for the next year we have the option of sneaking in a short safety session Time allowing or going straight to the special presentation from Clark Seaborn on what he and 5 other Chapter 1410 members did this summer. One hint, it had something to do with a Tiger Moth and the downtown streets of Calgary, I'll leave the rest for Clark to walk you through. Clark has also agreed to present again in January on his involvement in the 40 plus year endeavour and the final 24-year restoration on the Fokker Super Universal. Clark was also involved in the making of a 10-part series on the project from discovery to actual flight. He will be showing the last 3 episodes of the series and answering the

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multitude of questions, of "how did you" the full 10 episodes are available on youTube, it will be difficult but hit the pause after #7 so you can get firsthand experience from the builder and filmmaker himself. The series is very professional and would not look out of place on The History or discovery channel.

Safe travels

JB

December Fly-ins & Events

Here are a few of the regular monthly Fly-ins as gathered and researched by Dennis Fox.

CEN3 Three Hills AB Coffee from 9 till noon first Saturday each month.

CYXH Medicine Hat AB Fly-in Breakfast 8:00 to 12:00 second Saturday each month

CEK6 Flagstaff - Killam\ Sedgewick AB Coffee and Treats by Shelly third Saturday each month.

CEG4 Drumheller AB Coffee third Saturday each month.

CEX3 Wetaskiwin AB Coffee 9:00 to 12:00 fourth Saturday each month.

Coming Flyin events are:

Summer is over so unfortunately so are the special events.

Winter Flying: Embracing the Chill

As the snow blankets Alberta's landscape, pilots face a whole new set of challenges. But fear not, with the right preparation and mindset, winter flying can be a thrilling and rewarding experience.

First things first: winterize that bird! Follow the manufacturer's recommendations to the letter. Check those hoses, seals, and control cables – cold weather can be unforgiving on aircraft components. And don't forget to remove those wheel covers. Nobody wants frozen slush locking up their wheels and brakes mid-landing!

Take extra time for the preflight. It's time to channel your inner detective. Drain enough fuel to check for contamination, and keep an eagle eye out for any sneaky ice in the fuel lines or sumps. Clear all the nooks and crannies of snow and ice; pitot tubes, heater intakes, fuel vents, the works. And for the love of aviation, don't forget to de-ice those lift and

control surfaces. Even a little frost can wreak havoc on your lift!

When it comes to flight planning, think like a boy scout: always be prepared. File that flight plan, pack extra fuel, and for goodness' sake, dress like you're going on an Arctic expedition. You never know when that heater might decide to take a vacation or you land in some field or airstrip without a heated terminal. Aka CEN4 on some occasions.

While you're up there, keep your weather radar on high alert. Monitor those broadcasts, request and give PIREPs like they're going out of style, and always have a Plan B (and C, and D) up your sleeve. Remember, there's no shame in turning back if Mother Nature decides to throw a tantrum.

Oh, and let's not forget our old frenemy: carbon monoxide. If you start feeling like you've had one too many at the local pub, shut off that cabin heat pronto and get some fresh air flowing.

So there you have it, folks. With these tips in your flight bag, you'll be soaring through those winter skies like a pro. Stay safe, stay warm, and happy flying!

Kelvin Downs (with help from AI)

Newsletter Editor

Osprey 2 Project Update

Our EAA Chapter 1410 building group continues to make excellent progress on the Osprey 2 project. All flight surfaces are complete with fabric, engine is mounted and complete, some taxi testing has been done, canopy is complete, and most of the wiring and systems are also complete. As you can see in the photo the painting is also done. The lightning bolts add 5 kts to the cruising speed. With some final tweaks, the group is going to store the aircraft for the winter in anticipation of flight testing in the spring.



EAA Chapter 1410 Builders Group Osprey 2 Progress

In the meantime the group's next project is a Thatcher that has been started by Willy Knauf. In addition the group will also be starting work on a Mini-coupe that has been donated for restoration and repair. Updates will be provided as progress is made on these projects.



(Representative photo of finished aircraft from Kitplanes Magazine)

Kelvin Downs
Newsletter Editor

Newsletter Input Wanted

Do you have a project, a recent trip, a building tip, some airport news, perhaps even a rant that you would like to share, please let me know at

downskelvin@gmail.com. It doesn't have to be long or perfectly edited, even a photo with a caption will do.

Chapter 1410 Dues

Just a reminder that Chapter 1410 fees of \$40 are due in January. Please make payments via e-transfer, cheque or cash to Vance Lucas. E-transfers are preferred emailed to vlucas@live.ca.

Schedule of Upcoming Events

Dec 5	Summer Festivals & Parades - Clark Seaborn President & Treasurer Nominations\ Elections High River Air Cadet Hangar Time 18:30
Jan 2	Fokker Super Universal Back to the Sky - Clark Seaborn High River Air Cadet Hangar Time 18:30
Feb 6	TBD High River Air Cadet Hangar Time 18:30

Smile!

A cruise ship passes by a remote island, and all the passengers see a bearded man running around and waving his arms wildly. "Captain," one passenger asks, "who is that man over there?" "I have no idea," the captain says, "but he goes nuts every year when we pass him."

It's the World Cup Final, and a man makes his way to his seat right next to the pitch. He sits down, noticing that the seat next to him is empty. He leans over and asks his neighbour if someone will be sitting there.

"No", says the neighbour. "The seat is empty."

"This is incredible", said the man. "Who in their right mind would have a seat like this for the Final and not use it?"

The neighbour says, "Well actually the seat belongs to me. I was supposed to come with my wife, but she passed away. This is the first World Cup Final we haven't been to together since we got married."

"Oh, I'm so sorry to hear that. That's terrible... But couldn't you find someone else, a friend, relative or even a neighbour to take her seat?"

The man shakes his head. "No", he says. "They're all at the funeral."

A man takes his sick Chihuahua to the veterinarian. They're immediately taken back to a room. Soon, a Labrador walks in, sniffs the Chihuahua for 10 minutes and leaves. Then a cat comes in, stares at the Chihuahua for 10 minutes and leaves. Finally, the doctor comes in, prescribes some medicine and hands the man a \$250 bill.

"This must be a mistake," the man says. "I've been here only 20 minutes!"

"No mistake," the doctor says. "It's \$100 for the lab test, \$100 for the cat scan and \$50 for the medicine."

Chapter Classified Ads

Contact Kelvin Downs if you wish to have an Advertisement in the Newsletter

For Sale Zenith 601 XL-B C-GHRG

Debra @ 403-652-7333 **\$68,000 CAD**
Kelvin @ 403-605-2652
Vance @ 403-540-8132

All modifications as per prior Airworthiness Directives have been built into it.

- 210 hours total time
- Rotax 912 ULS, with Soft Start - 150 hrs since overhaul by Rotech Motor Ltd. Vernon BC
- Ivoprop 3 Blade, ground adjustable
- Dual Dynon Skyview 7" Displays
- FL760A - Com Radio
- AV30- ADSB - Out with Tail Beacon
- TruTrak Auto Pilot
- ACK 406 ELT
- Electric Flaps, Elevator, and Aileron Trim
- Wing Lockers
- LED Nav and Strobe Lights
- Long Range Fuel Tanks 2 x 15 gal. Wing Tanks
- Annual Condition Inspection completed January 2024

One partner just trained and passed his Flight Examination on this aircraft. Great low-cost hour builder.



For Sale, SAL 2/3 P-51 Mustang Plans and Project.

Complete set of plans for a 2 seat SAL 2/3 P-51 Mustang, with original purchase documentation. Slight moisture damage on some drawings, but still very usable. Construction has started with the tail section. Horizontal stabilizer and elevator built, ready to close. Vertical fin spars and rudder built. GL-1 birch plywood, sitka spruce and hardware to complete the tail components. Fuselage sides built and ready to skin, and bulkheads are built.

Extra material includes: (2) 6" x 10' sitka spruce boards, approximately 50 electrical switches, 50 circuit breakers, 100 pulleys, EGT gauge, David Clark intercom, weatherstripping, and numerous other pieces and hardware. Asking \$1,000.0, price and delivery is negotiable. For more information and pictures, please contact.

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50-year Collection of Sport Aviation Magazines – To Donate:

Doug Eaglesham has been contacted by a representative of an estate who has discovered the estate has a half century worth of Sport Aviation magazines. The estate executors would like to donate this collection to someone who may treasure such a find.

If you are interested, please call Doug Eaglesham at (403) 498-9522.

Who we are!

We are an enthusiastic group of like minded individuals from various backgrounds who share a passion for recreational aviation in Southern Alberta and we offer a chance to meet others who combine fun with learning.

Join us for our monthly meetings held the first Thursday of the month at the Cadet Hangar located at the High River Airport

For more information visit our Website

[Chapter 1410 High River, Alberta](#)

How to Join Our Chapter

Attend our next meeting. Meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month at the Air Cadet Hangar at the High River Airport. Ask anyone and they will be pleased to help. All the required forms will be made available for you to fill out. You must be a current member of EAA International, you may complete your registration prior to the meeting or someone will assist at the meeting.

For registration forms, contact the Treasurer from the Executive list below.



Members Action List

Newsletter Input

We are always looking for input and content for the Newsletter including any project updates, classifieds etc. It doesn't have to be a long detailed article, a photo and description is often enough. For any ideas or suggestions for Newsletter content please contact: Kelvin Downs downskelvin@gmail.com

Meeting Presenters\Ideas

If anyone is interested in presenting or has a great idea for a meeting topic please contact Donavon or Jay.

Website Input

For any changes or updates to members profiles or website content please contact: Carl Forman webmaster@eaahighriver.org

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EAA 1410 2022 Executive

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