

# EAA Chapter 1410

## High River, Alberta



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Newsletter

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### Vice- President's Message

By Kelvin Downs

Welcome to 2022. Somehow it continues to look all too familiar to 2021, but things are looking up and it appears that the end of constraints that Covid have put on us will soon be over. I'm sure that we have all heard this before, but with fingers crossed we should be able to get back to regular meetings and get togethers in 2022.

This month's issue of the newsletter has a new look and format, not necessarily for the better but only because I have taken over (temporarily? ) as the editor of the newsletter and found it easier creating a new template. On behalf of the Chapter I would like to sincerely thank Robert Fridman for being the editor of the newsletter over the past many years. Robert has always done an excellent job in preparing and editing the newsletter. In almost every case he was able to meet the deadline of publishing despite getting the information at the last minute. If anyone is interested in volunteering as Newsletter Editor please let me know.

We had a very successful start to our year with an excellent presentation using the Google Meeting format from Clark Seaborn. Clark is an incredible wealth of knowledge when it comes to the history of aviation in Canada. In many cases he has lived and breathed this history through his numerous projects and associations with the people past and present who have traveled the journey with him. We are indeed fortunate to have Clark as a member of our Chapter.

## Local News

(Vice- President's Message continued)

Here is Clark's description of his presentation;

*As you know I am sort of a history nut, and for several years I have been researching the history of the Canadian Prairie Airmail, a service that lasted for only 2 years and 28 days. It was intended to shorten the mail delivery time for Calgary by one day, and was a pioneering effort supported by the federal government, at the time in 1930-32. Although the scheme was considered a safe first step in achieving scheduled airmail in Canada, it was a little ahead of flying technology.*

*I have been working on a presentation for the Canadian Aviation Historical Society on 57 historical shots, and I have titled my presentation "ADVERSITY IN THE WINTER NIGHT SKIES", the story of Canada's Prairie Airmail 1930-32. It will surprise many of our EAA members as to the rules and technologies involved at that time in our aviation pioneering.*

Thank you Clark for this very interesting presentation and perspective on the history and development of aviation in Canada. We have most certainly come a long way from those early days not so long ago.

For our next meeting on February 3, 2022, unless our gathering restrictions change over the next few days, we will once again have a virtual meeting. We are still working on details. Stay tuned for a follow up email. If anyone has any suggestions or would like to prepare, present or lead a discussion please let us know.



**The new home for the Zenith 601XL-B Learn/ Build project located at Jack Dueck's property.**



**Dave Pridie' Mosquito Helicopter is almost complete. Ready for test flights. Any volunteers?**

### Smile!

Over breakfast one morning, a woman said to her husband. " I bet you don't know what day this is?" 'Of course I do," he answered indignantly, as he slammed the door and drove to the hangar. At 11:00 the doorbell rang. The wife answered and there at her front door was a courier and in his hand was a box containing 12 red roses. Later in the afternoon there was another delivery, this time a deluxe box of belgian chocolates. Eventually the husband came home, tired after a hard day's work. His wife greeted him by saying; "First flowers, then chocolates, I've never had a more wonderful Groundhog Day in my life"

### It's all in the Perspective

An English professor wrote the words: " A woman without her man is nothing" on the whiteboard and asked his students to punctuate the sentence correctly. All the men in the class wrote; "A woman, without a man is nothing" The women in the class wrote; "A woman; without her, man is nothing."

## 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](#)

# For Sale

Plans for Zenith CH650B plans are complete with construction manual, also come with homebuilt help CDs for 650b and also metal work. - Price \$400.00 Cdn.

I have a complete Corvair engine with William Winn conversion manual, I purchased the engine with the Fly Corvair Gold prop hub and safety shaft installed and a builder log, engine has all the right numbers on it. I have not disassembled the engine but it turns over by hand and is free of any strange noises. The engine has been stored with some clean oil in it. Complete with a new engine stand. - Price \$300.00

I also have a pretty much complete tool kit as outlined by Zenith for CH650B construction, including air riveter and modified mandrills purchased from Zenair, 3 sizes of Clecoes and pliers, as well as numerous Cleco clamps, cable cutters and swaging tool for aircraft cable, rib lightening hole flanging tool, and deburring tools other tools, too numerous to mention, some that most shops would already have. - Price Negotiable, depending on which tools are wanted.

Plans for Thacher CX4 complete with construction manual - Price \$400.00 Cdn.

I also own a CNC and was going to draw out the rib profiles with lightening holes, convert to G code and cut them all out stacked together with the CNC in one cut. If the purchaser would like I would do that for no extra cost, for either set of plans. The person would have to provide the Aluminum of the proper thickness and grade sheared into strips the appropriate size for each rib and enough for all ribs, both LH and RH wings, and also some moral support, and we could get er done! OR I might be talked into selling the CNC.

Contact Tom Armstrong Ph 403-820-1191 Drumheller AB

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## 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

For any ideas or suggestions for Newsletter content please contact: Kelvin Downs  
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### Reminder

2022 Chapter 1410 fees of \$40 are now due. Please make payments via e-transfer, cheque or cash to Vance Lucas. E-transfers are preferred emailed to [vlucas@live.ca](mailto:vlucas@live.ca).

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