January
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Important note: Because the first Thursday of the month falls on January 2nd, it has been decided to move the meeting night to January 9, 2014. The business meeting will commence at 7:30 as usual, with VP Ralph managing the proceedings. Note also that the bridge on the highway, south of High River will continue to be out until June.

MEETING PRESENTATION

Our long time member Phil Ward, AME with Kenn Borek Air, will be making a presentation on some of his world wide activities. The title of his presentation is "Science, Sovereignty and flying in the high Arctic." This presentation may have so many world shattering connotations that it might be appropriate to invite Prime Minister Harper to the meeting to assist him in his battle with Russian President Poutine.

FEBRUARY POTLUCK

This annual event has been scheduled for Saturday night, February 8, 2014. Please mark this date on your calendar. The format will be the same as previously, with a small cash donation required to supplant the wonderful food which magically arrives. Evites will be coming out later in January to firm up participant numbers. We will again have a guest speaker who will delight us with stories somewhat on a flying theme.

IN MEMORY OF JOHN THORPE

For those of you who enjoyed the flying stories of raconteur, test pilot and Harrier pilot John Thorpe on two of our previous potluck dinners, I regret to report that John passed away December 21 after a long and courageous battle with cancer. As late as this last October John was running in a cancer walk with a female team, somewhat humorously attired in a pink tutu. Our sympathies go out to his wife Jenny, who is also a pilot, and who had her own stories to tell at our last potluck.

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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 the chance to meet others who combine fun with learning.

DUES FOR 2014

Please remember to bring your $40 cash to pay your dues for the year 2014. Treasurer Rick Coates will be most happy to take your money in January-and if you forget, other months as well.

RCAF PROVIDING RELIEF IN THE PHILIPPINES

This photo was sent to me by a friend, former RCAF transport pilot and corporate pilot. It shows most spectacularly the capabilities of the giant C-17's now employed by the RCAF-much larger than the C-130 tactical transports formerly, and still, used. One has to wonder if the RCAF loadmaster weighed the passengers prior to allowing entry.

RADIATION FROM INSTRUMENTS

This photo shows the cockpit area of the giant B36 bomber located at Wright Patterson air force base in Dayton Ohio. These monster bombers were part of the USAF strategic air command, powered with 6 Pratt and Whitney R4360 engines and 4 auxiliary jet engines- giving the airplane the acronym "6 turning and 4 burning". All of these engines, being about the most complex ever operated in the piston era, made for a very busy engineer. This is evidenced by the massive instrument panel at the engineer's station. One has to wonder what the folks at the Atomic Energy Authority has to say about this, allowing young airmen to sit in this radioactive ambience when they are presently fussing about so called "safe disposal" of a single surplus instrument. Silly huh!

HAPPY LANDINGS FOREVER
Clark Seaborn
Chapter 1410 President 2013-14

Steam gauge heaven!

When you see what the 1950's military aviators had to endure in radioactive instruments, it really seems silly that Atomic Energy Canada is trying to screw around in expensive witch hunts to get rid of the few vintage instruments we need for our old aeroplanes.

These pictures are from a 360° panorama of the flight engineer's station on a B-36: Six reciprocating R-4360s and four J-47 jets to keep an eye on, plus fuel, pressurization, hydraulics, electrical, and other systems. Steam gauge heaven! Click on the link below to go to the web site and see the interactive display.

http://www.nmusafvirtualtour.com/media/062/B-36J%20Engineer.html

How to Join Our Chapter

Attend our next chapter meeting. Ask for 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, so please have your EAA membership number. If you are not a member, you can join EAA at the meeting.

Contact us by post at
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Box 5280, High River, Alberta T1V 1M4
Or by email at
president@highriver.org

For registration forms contact the treasurer (see the list of the executive below).

Please update your web member profiles

On our web site, in the member's section, there are many pictures and profiles that are quite dated (clecoed aluminum parts which are now beautiful flying machines). The updates should be sent to the webmaster (webmaster@eaahighriver.org) Please supply: Name, project or aircraft, facts about your project and area of aviation interest.

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